## WHAT IS THE RC&D?

- The North Coast Resource Conservation and
- Development Council (RC&D) is a non-profit
- 501(c)3 community based organization formed
- in 2003 that helps people protect and develop
- their economic, natural, and social resources in
- ways that improve
- their area's economy,
- environment, and
- quality of life. The
- RC&D brings to-
- gether people, needs,
- concerns, opportuni-
- ties, and solutions.
- The RC&D believes
- that one person can
- make a difference,
- and encourages people to be involved in making
- things happen in their county, region, or state. We
- encourage the care and sustainable use of natural
- resources in ways that protect the environment
- and improve the quality of life in our community.
- The RC&D Program is a partnership between the
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
- and local communities, and has over 375 RC&Ds
- across the nation with 12 in California. Once
- authorized by the USDA Secretary of Agriculture,
- the RC&Ds receive financial and technical as-
- sistance. The North Coast RC&D covers Sonoma,
- Marin, Lake, and Mendocino Counties.

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### NORTH COAST RC&D

MISSION: To promote partnerships that will initiate, support and implement projects responsive to the needs of the people in the North Coast RC&D Area, focusing on opportunities in agriculture economic and community development, and education.

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: The RC&D

promotes sustainable land management and sound environmental protections through three program areas.

#### Land Conservation

• Agricultural Diversity—encourage diversity so family farms can maintain economic stability, including agrotourism and nature tourism.

• Fire and Fuels Management—support projects to reduce wildland fire fuels and the economic and sustainable use of fire fuel loads to produce energy.

• Energy Management—support regional energy sources, such as biomass energy facilities.

• Natural Landscape Management—support education for management of sudden oak death disease and promote habitat for pollinators.

### Water Management

• Assist in the enhancement of water quality and quantity in the area, especially in the area of rainwater collection and re-use, along with landscaping with native drought-tolerant plants.

### Community Development

+ Support rural and agricultural economic development, farm worker housing and healthcare, and agricultural and natural resource education.

## 2009 Accomplishments

Continued to support local energy development with:

• Completion of a \$25,000 grant to provide detailed economic analysis for biomass combined heat and power project at Parlin Fork.

•Partner in Northern California Woody Biomass to Bio-Oil Demonstration effort

•Participate with Mendocino Woody Biomass Working Group

Pollinator Habitat Workshops with: •Gold Ridge RCD

•Kunde Family Estate in Sonoma Valley

+Sotoyome RCD

•Sponsored an insectary hedgerow planting with Gold Ridge RCD, Farm Stewards and Salmon Creek Elementary School.

Rain Water as a Resource – Storm water control costs can be reduced and water supplies augmented by using rain water as a resource.

•Rainwater harvest demonstration at "Learning Garden", at Fort Bragg High School, with Noyo Food Forest.

•Rain garden installation with Noyo Food Forest

•Rainwater harvest demonstration at Talmadge School Garden

Continued membership recruitment drive.





### RC&D Sponsors & Members

- •
- C<mark>ounty</mark> of Sonoma
- County of Marin
- County of Mendocino
- County of Lake
- Resource Conservation Districts:
- Gold Ridge RCD
- Marin RCD
- Mendocino County RCD
- Sotoyome RCD
- Southern Sonoma RCD
- West Lake RCD
- Community Foundation Sonoma County
- Conservation Fund
- Partners for Sustainable Pollination
- Individual members and companies

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### 2009 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Ron Rolleri, President (Sotoyome RCD)
- Peter Braudrick, Vice President (Mendoci-
- no RCD)
- Susan Warner, Treasurer
- John Black, Secretary
- Steve Dunnicliff, Mendocino County
- Ann Cassidy (Gold Ridge RCD)
- Ray Mostin (West Lake RCD)
- Tish Ward
- This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## 2009 FINANCIAL REPORT

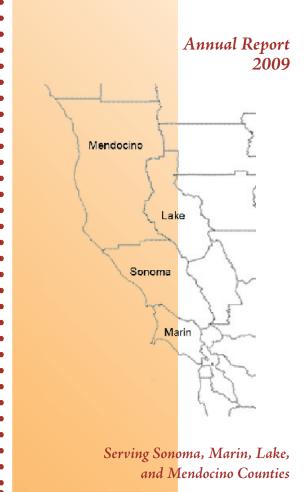
| INCOME                         |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| DIRECT PUBLIC GRANTS           | \$17,686.20 |
| DIRECT PUBLIC SUPPORT          | \$1,040.00  |
| Government Grants              | \$19,888.85 |
| Other Types of Income          | \$30.00     |
| Total Income                   | \$38,645.05 |
| Expense                        |             |
| OPERATIONS                     | \$3,423.08  |
| PROFESSIONAL SERVICES          | \$25,317.52 |
| OTHER TYPES OF EXPENSES        | \$2,516.68  |
| Travel and Meetings            | \$435.28    |
| Sponsor Conferences & Meetings | \$5,600.00  |
| Facilities and Equipment       | \$1,573.29  |
| BUSINESS EXPENSES              | \$55.00     |
| Total Expense                  | \$38,920.85 |
| NET INCOME                     | \$(275.80)  |



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