



Monthly Newsletter December 2021

The Tulare County RCD Board Meetings are open to the public and typically held on the second Wednesday of each month at noon.

[Tulare County RCD Website](#)

[Tulare County RCD Email](#)

December's meeting will be held on the 8th at noon in a socially-distanced meeting room located at:

**Linda Loma Ranch
4912 S Santa Fe St
Visalia, CA 93292**

[December 2021 RCD Agenda](#)

Joining the meeting via ZOOM is also an option and a link can be provided by emailing Teri.

teri@tularecountyrcd.com

RCPP CRISIS TO OPPORTUNITY

Sierra Nevada Tree Mortality

The RCD is providing technical assistance to private non-industrial forest landowners in the form of site visits, creation of forest management plans, and promoting participation in the NRCS EQIP funding through the RCPP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program). This program is for land owners

whom are looking to reduce the fuel load on their property. The RCD will be assisting NRCS with these applications through early 2023.

Direct Line for your Tulare County RCPP assistance:

(559) 754-3155

RCPP Email

**RCPP CRISIS TO OPPORTUNITY:
SIERRA NEVADA
TREE MORTALITY**

Financial assistance is available for dead tree removal and other forest health practices through NRCS.

RCPP program allows for EQIP (Environment Quality Incentive Program) funds to be used within the 100 foot defensible space zone and has no acreage minimum for applicants.

Working Together for 2023

Tulare County Resource Conservation District

USDA U.S. Department of Agriculture

NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service

RCPP Regional Conservation Partnership Program

Tulare County Resource Conservation District
3550 W. Emerald Ct.
Visalia, CA 93277
Direct Line for RCPP Program: (559) 754-3155
Email: info@tularecountyrcd.com
www.tularecountyrcd.com

The RCPP Crisis to Opportunity: Sierra Nevada Tree Mortality program makes funding available for work within the 100-foot Defensible Space.



HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

Check Before You Burn



San Joaquin Valley
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

District Rule 4901 and the associated Residential Wood Smoke Reduction Program help reduce fine-particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) when winter air quality is forecast to deteriorate. Achieving additional emissions reductions from residential wood burning is necessary for the Valley to meet federal PM_{2.5} health standards and improve public health.

Learn about the rule
Incentive Program
Curtailments
Health Impacts
Selling a Home
Device Installation
Fireplace Remodeling
Device Registration
Publications and Media
Resources

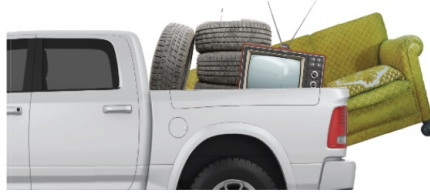


Check Before You Burn

City of Visalia

Mark your calendar and get your City of Visalia utility garbage bill ready for the opportunity to properly dispose of those items that can become a nuisance when no longer needed.

Dump On Us!



FREE!

The next Dump On Us event is scheduled for
SATURDAY DECEMBER 11, 2021 from 7a.m. to 12p.m.
If you have any questions please call: 559-713-4428.

Oh Yes!
it's
FREE

Requirements

- Visalia Residents ONLY
- City utility bill required as proof of residency
- One visit per event
- One small truck or trailer per event
- No Commercial waste
- 4 tires without rims per event
- Large appliances must have doors removed

DUMP ON US

City of Visalia



Directions from
westbound Goshen on
Cain St.

For More
Information Call



(559) 713-4428

CORPORATION YARD

335 N. Cain Street
7:00 am - 12:00 Noon

2021-Dec. 11

Loading Instructions



Front to Back
Ewaste/Trash/Recycle/Metal

FOR MORE INFORMATION, WWW.DUMPONUS.ORG - (559)-713-4428

GIVE ORGANICS, GET COMPOST



Visalia residents who dispose of green/organic waste materials are eligible to receive compost for free. All processed compost is generated from green, and food waste materials from local businesses and residences. Making compost keeps these materials out of landfills where they take up space and release methane. Compost is a great soil amendment that can protect soil surfaces from wind and water erosion, conserves water, and moderates soil temperature.

For those planning to bring green/organic waste materials to the Dump On Us event and take compost in return, attendees should bring their own bags, shovels and tools needed to collect the compost. Compost is available while supplies last, there is a limit of one load per event

**Compost Scraps
& Green Waste**

Find Out More!

713-4428 • www.GoGreenVisalia.com

The graphic includes illustrations of a green trash bin, a black trash bin with a white leaf logo, and various organic waste items like a banana, a green apple, and a slice of watermelon. Red arrows point from the waste items towards the contact information.

DRIVER/OPERATOR WANTED

Tulare County

RCD Water Tender Driver/ Operator



Job description:

- Drive and operate a water tender on active fires.
- Water tender to support fire agency suppression efforts.
- Work shifts “may” be up to 24 hours per shift.
- Must follow instructions and be a self-starter.
- Mechanical ability a must.
- Commitment time for work may be extended, i.e. days, weeks or up to a month.
- Driver must provide their personal gear, i.e. change of clothes and toiletries.
- Applicant must provide their own lugged sole- 8 inch high lace up boots.

Qualifications for a driver would include:

- CDL class “A” or “B” license with “tanker” endorsement.
- Current Cal Fire and USFS “8-hour Safety Training” certificate.
- Fire experience preferable.

To apply contact:

Bob Puls

Project Manager

email: rvfire@ocsnet.net

phone: (559) 783-4148



FORESTLAND MANAGEMENT

Cal Fire News Release



California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

CALIFORNIA FOREST IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM FUNDING ANNOUNCED
\$18 million in funding for the next 3 years

The purpose of the California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP) is to encourage private and public investment in, and improved management of, California forest lands and resources. This focus is to ensure adequate high quality timber supplies, related employment and other economic benefits, and the protection, maintenance, and enhancement of a productive and stable forest resource system for the benefit of present and future generations.

The CFIP application periods end on the following dates:

1. October 30, 2021
2. December 30, 2021
3. February 28, 2022
4. April 30, 2022
5. June 30, 2022

[More on CFIP](#)

Forestry
Assistance
Advisor's (listed by
county)

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE



U.S. Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

IN EFFECT: The local NRCS is providing free technical assistance to those affected by the SQF Complex Fire of 2020 and the KNP Complex Fire, Windy Fire and the Windy Fire of 2021.

Contact the Visalia Service Center to learn more:

California 2020



Natural Resources Conservation Service
3530 W Orchard Ct
Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 754-3183

after the fire

Post Fire Restoration Assistance

NRCS is providing
FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
to protect life and property on
privately owned land that was
damaged due to the wildfires.
(Examples: debris flows, hillside erosion.)

For assistance with post-fire recovery contact your local NRCS office:

NRCS Visalia Service Center
3530 W Orchard Ct
Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 754-3183

Fact Sheets Available at:
www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/ca/newsroom/features/

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

NRCS Free Technical Assistance



After the Fire: Do's and Don'ts

CURRENTLY HAPPENING

Tulare County RCD



Tulare County RCD currently is operating with common Covid precautions in effect. Monthly meetings are now open to the public in person and will also be available to attend by ZOOM. To receive the ZOOM link contact the RCD, we can be reached by phone and/or email:

(559) 622-0378

Tulare County RCD Email

NRCS Visalia Service Center



Your local NRCS Service Center has conducted business (with safety precautions) throughout the entire pandemic.

Call the Visalia NRCS office to learn the latest protocol being used:

(559) 734-8732



Local Working Group

Local work groups (LWG) support the locally led conservation effort by coordinating USDA programs with other federal, state, tribal, and local conservation programs to provide an integrated solution to addressing natural resource concerns.

Tulare County RCD is looking for input that will assist in creating a local needs assessment to identify the most important local resource needs.

We ask your help to start this process and participate in a short survey. It is an

anonymous survey unless you wish to add your information.

Please follow the link to take the survey and assist us with this important effort.

Also, feel free to share the survey link with anyone who would be interested so they can take the survey as well.

We are collecting survey's till December 20th, 2021.

Thank you!

LWG Survey