



## Monthly Newsletter

# October 2020

The Tulare County RCD Board Meetings are open to the public and typically held on the second Wednesday of each month at noon in the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Conference Room inside the USDA Service Center:

**3530 W Orchard Ct**

**Visalia, CA 93277**

**(559) 622-0378**

[Tulare County RCD Website](#)

[Tulare County RCD Email](#)

**Due to COVID-19 our meeting for the month of October will be hosted on Zoom.**

**The meeting will be on Wednesday October 14th at 12 o'clock noon to 2:00pm.**

**Email [teri@tularecountyrcd.com](mailto:teri@tularecountyrcd.com) to receive the Zoom link and the agenda for the meeting.**

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**YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!**

## 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.

Thank you!

[LWG Survey](#)

## DRIVER/OPERATOR WANTED

# Tulare County RCD Water Tender Driver and 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](mailto:rvfire@ocsnet.net)

phone: (559) 783-4148

## 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.

Direct Line for your Tulare County RCPP assistance:

**(559) 754-3155**

RCPP Email



The RCPP Crisis to Opportunity: Sierra Nevada Tree Mortality program makes funding available for work within the 100-foot Defensible Space. The RCPP Sierra Nevada Tree Mortality program requires a minimum of one dead or

dying conifer tree within your 100 foot defensible space caused by the bark beetle or drought.

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## PROJECTS FROM THE PAST: 2004

### Waste Grant

#### Boydston and Muller Site

#### California Intergrated Waste Management Board



The objectives of this project were to remove all of the waste and post a “no dumping signs” where practical where by increasing the intrinsic value of each site. Educated the public on proper disposal methods and where to find help in the futures. Display a positive image for the people of Tulare County and discourage further dumping of waste on these sites. **A total of 123.84 tons of material were recycled or disposed of from the two sites.**



Click the link below to visit the CalRecycle Homepage, you can find all resources related to disposal.

[CalRecycle Homepage](#)

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