



**914 SW Coast Hwy – Newport, OR 97365**  
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**AGENDA FOR LINCOLN SWCD ANNUAL AND MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**August 8, 2024 (Thursday) 6:00 PM**

**Location: 914 SW Coast Hwy Newport, OR 97365/Teleconference**

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>TIME (PM)</u></b>	
1. Regular Meeting Call to Order – (Chair)	6:00	Action
2. Introductions – (Chair)	6:00	Information
3. Public Comment	6:05	Information
4. Meeting Minutes - (Board)	6:10	Action
<i>a. July 11, 2024</i>		
5. Treasurer's Report – (Kyle)	6:15	Action
<i>July 2024</i>		
6. Correspondence – (Chair)	6:30	Info/Action
7. Permits – (Directors)	6:40	Info/Action
8. NRCS Report – (Annie Marion)	7:00	Information
9. ODA Report – (Olivia Jasper)	7:10	Information
10. Staff Reports – (Kailee, Katie, Tyler)	7:15	Information
11. Directors Report – (Board)	7:45	Information
12. Adjourn – (Chair)	8:00	Action

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Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

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## Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District

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### Board Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2024

#### District Meeting Attendees (In Person):

**Staff:** Tyler Clouse, Executive Director

**Directors:** Judi Irving, Zone 3, Director

**Agency:**

**Public:**

#### District Meeting Attendees (Call in):

**Staff:** Katie Saaty, Water Quality Monitoring Program Specialist  
Kailee Fiorello, Watersheds Program Specialist  
Tanya Graham, Fiscal Provider

**Agency:** Annie Marion, NRCS

**Directors:** Mark Saelens, At Large 1, Director  
Alan Fujishin, Zone 2, Chair Director  
Kyle O'Neil, At Large 2, Director

**Public:**

**Absent:** Olivia Jasper, ODA

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#### Call To Order:

1. Alan calls meeting to order at 6:01PM

#### Public:

2. Nothing to report

### **Meeting Minutes:**

3. The Board reviewed the June 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes.
4. *Motion –To approve the June 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes . Moved (Judi), Second (Mark) (4 yes votes and 0 no votes)*

### **Treasurer's Report:**

5. The Board reviewed the June, 2024 Treasurer's report.
6. *Motion –To file the June, 2024 Treasurer's Report. Moved (Judi), Second (Kyle) (4 yes votes and 0 no votes)*

### **Final FY24/25 Budget**

7. *Motion – To approve the Final FY24/25 budget. Moved (Kyle), Second (Judi) (4 yes votes and 0 no votes)*

### **Director Elections**

8. Update from the chair informing directors of the timeline for applying for director position election materials.

### **Correspondence:**

9. Joe Steere provided a letter of interest last month for the Zone 1 director position. Board director Alan verified he was eligible.
10. *Motion - To appoint Joe Steere to the Zone 1 director position. Nomination (Mark), Second (Alan) (3 yes votes,1 abstain, and 0 no votes).*

### **Permits:**

1. One permit no comment.

### **NRCS Liaison Report:**

2. Moving along with EQIP contracts
3. CSP applications, 1 in Lincoln 1 in Lane county.
4. Moving ahead with Upper Yaquina EQIP projects

### **ODA Report:**

5. Absent

### **Staff Reports:**

6. Presented by staff

### **Director Reports:**

#### **Alan Fujishin:**

7. Update on drought conditions. Blueberries will be ready for U-Pick first week of August, probably.

#### **Mark Saelens:**

8. Nothing to report.

#### **Kyle O'Neill:**

1. Project Management System update.

**Judi Irving:**

2. Judi's restoration project is doing well. No big news.

**Adjourned Meeting:**

3. Alan adjourned the meeting at 8:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Tyler Clouse

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**Authorized Approval Signature**

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**Date**



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**Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District  
District Conservationist Report  
NRCS Waldport Field Office  
July 2024**

**Announcements/Updates:**

- None

**Meetings/Site Visits:**

- July 11 – Site visit for Forest Management Plan w/ TSP, Shavonne Sargent, and client near Siletz
- July 12 – Mtg w/ Celeste Lebo & Colleen Holland, USFWS, and Eileen Stone, NRCS State Compliance Specialist, about using Partners PROJECTS consultation to cover Section 6 effects on marbled murrelet and northern spotted owl for several of our EQIP forestry projects this year (Lincoln and west Lane County).
- July 15-19 – Annual leave
- July 22 – Site visit for EQIP PCT (666) certification near Siletz
- July 22 – Mtg w/ Ann Walker, technical writer, about development with updated Long Range Plan for Waldport Field Office.
- July 25 – Site visit for EQIP IRA Pastureland application near Logsdon
- July 27 – Gave a presentation on pollinator habitat to the Central Coast Beekeepers at their monthly meeting at the Newport Library
- July 30 – Basin District Conservationists meeting
- July 31 – Site visit to lower Fivemile wetland restoration project for planting certification
- August 2 – Site visit for EQIP IRA Pastureland application near Otis
- August 2 – Attended webinar introduction to using Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) and use of CEMA 222, Indigenous Stewardship Methods and Evaluation to accomplish effective conservation on tribal lands.
- August 5 – Site visit for CSP annual practice certification on N Fork Siuslaw

**PROGRAMS:**

**Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)**

- FY24 EQIP applications
  - Continued working on planning and contracting.
  - Working on consultation with USFWS regarding marbled murrelet and northern spotted owl habitat near planned forestry projects.
  - Approved contracts so far: 4 Forest Management Plans (Lincoln), 5 IRA-Forestland (1 Lincoln, 4 Lane), 1 Upper Yaquina WQ (Lincoln), 1 Forest Resistance & Resilience (Lincoln), 1 Siuslaw Floodplain Reconnection (Douglas), 2 Local Foods Initiative (1 Lincoln, 1 Lane)
  - Still to go: 1 Upper Yaquina WQ, possibly 2 IRA Pastureland (extra end-of-year funds)

- Prior year EQIP contracts
  - Completed practice certification for PCT near Siletz
  - Working on several contract modifications

### **Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)**

- FY24 CSP Classic/Inflation Reduction Act applications
  - Received 2 FY24 CSP Classic applications (1 Lincoln, 1 Lane). Neither application was selected for funding this year.
- FY25 CSP Renewals
  - Received 1 application (Lane)—ranking will be in the fall
- Current CSP Contracts
  - Site visit for certification of forestry enhancements on contract on N Fork Siuslaw.

### **Easement Programs**

- [Agricultural Conservation Easement Program \(ACEP\)](#) & [Healthy Forests Reserve Program \(HFRP\)](#)
  - No activity to report.



## **Watershed Program Specialist August Staff Report July 1-30**

- A. Community Engagement, Education, Outreach
  - **Siletz Stakeholder Float Two** - organized and executed the second float in the three part series, water level was low but engagement and moral seemed to be high
  - **Siletz Stakeholder Float Three** - starting coordination on the third and final float in the series
  - **Thogmartin Site Visit** - visited a landowner on the Siletz to survey for restoration
  - **Siletz BMP Site Visits/Stream Crossing** - coordinated with several landowners along the Siletz and Bruce (engineer) to create a nutrient management plan and stream crossing options
- B. Habitat Restoration/Technical Assistance
  - **Little Lobster** - finished out the work there by pulling the remaining fencing, t posts, and mowing around the planted cedar
  - **Upper Yaquina (Rowland)** - started mowing riparian edge and chemical treatment
  - **Upper Yaquina (McConnell)** - started mowing riparian edge
  - **Salmon River Hatchery** - attempted use of flail mower, mowed stream bank for eventual fencing installation
- C. Partnership/Project Development
  - **Rainwater Catchment Workshop** - started coordination and resource creation with OSU for the rainwater catchment workshop at Moore's Blooms and More in Otis
  - **Fencing Workshop** - started to prep the land for a fencing workshop with a hopeful host date sometime in October
- D. Monitoring
  - **See Katie Saaty Report**
- E. General Operation/Training
  - **Herbicide Application Credits** - working on obtaining continuing education credits for my public applicator license
- F. Reporting
- G. Grant Applications/Grant Updates
- H. Other
- I. Staff Update
- J. Noxious Weeds
  - **Connie Battles** - sprayed knotweed
  - **Deso Thin** - surveyed for weeds
  - **Salmon River Hatchery** - manually pulled knotweed
  - **Siletz BMP (Rowland)** - sprayed to prep for meadow species plantings



## August Staff Report: Katie Saaty

- A. Community Engagement, Education, Outreach
  - a. **Siletz River Float**- Last float of the series is scheduled for August 21st. I have continued to update RSVP tracking list with any contacts interested in attending.
- B. Habitat Restoration/Technical Assistance
  - a. **Upper Yaquina SIA**- Sprayed poison hemlock at McConnell and Rowland properties, began spraying footprint of future pollinator meadow at Rowland's.
  - b. **Salmon River Hatchery**- Some weed treatment completed there as part of Title II Weeds project.
  - c. **OSB**- Visited Mahaffey meadow to assess current site conditions and help Shea with manual weed treatment.
- C. Monitoring
  - a. **Upper Yaquina SIA**- Conducted another round of continuous logger audits with David Waltz and discussed approaches to securing loggers for late October monitoring.
  - b. **Siletz**- Siletz/Rock Creek confluence logger finally placed on 7/11. Moonshine logger failed second dissolved oxygen audit, so a duplicate logger will be placed at that station soon.
  - c. **Yachats**- Mid-season audit to be conducted by August 31st.
- D. General Operation/Training
  - a. **AWQMS**- Received training from David Waltz on data retrieval and analysis tools.
- E. Reporting
  - a. **NWQI**- Submitted 7/30
- F. Grants
  - a. **OWEB**- No funding received for the last grant application cycle.
- G. Noxious Weeds
  - a. **Title II**
    - i. Treated knotweed and yellow flag iris at private properties in Otis and Lincoln City, with plans to return for further knotweed treatment at additional properties the week of 8/5.
    - ii. Continued coordinating treatment dates, sending and receiving permission forms, and fielding new inquiries.
  - b. **CPRCD Alsea Weeds**- Contacted landowners on list of previously treated properties and have begun scheduling treatment dates.
- H. Partnerships
  - a. **DWPP**- The District did not attend the 7/30 meeting in order to finalize and submit the NWQI.

## Executive Director August Staff Report

### A. Community Engagement, Education, Outreach

- **USFWS Butterfly** - Master Gardeners continuing volunteer work. Staff needing to coordinate on products to be made.
- **North County Ag Water Quality** - Planning for fencing workshop in Fall 2024. Kailee leading.
- **Upper Yaquina SIA** - District planning a 4 part Living on the Land series for January/February 2025 in Eddyville. Evie and Kailee are leading the efforts.
- **Title II Weeds** - Continued regular calls from the public and planning by staff for treatment.
- **Siletz Stakeholder** - Final float, August 21, 2024. Prefloat to be conducted the week of.

### B. Habitat Restoration/Technical Assistance

- **USFWS Butterfly** - All agreements are pending being signed by landowners. Some modifications needed.
- **Upper Yaquina SIA** - McConnell mowed and ready for spray treatment before planting. S&B mowed by landowner and sprayed. Needs follow up for efficacy.
- **ODA Scope of Work** - Troyer fencing project moving ahead with small grant application submission in August. Runion culvert installation moving forward with small grant application submission in August.
- **MRT Cape Foulweather:** Two crew out at Cape Foulweather to clear the trail and girdle ivy. Staff need to follow up with CTSI and MRT for continued maintenance needs and potential contracts as the parcel moves into CTSI hands.
- **Siletz BMP:** Four properties visited to generate 3 Nutrient Management Plans and Compost/Manure Storage facilities and 1 stream crossing. Staff are also working on a riparian restoration and livestock exclusion design for the stream crossing location.
- **MCWC Rainwater Catchment:** Jim (contractor), Evie (OSU), and Tyler visited two farms to provide rainwater catchment audits. One at Moore Blooms and More for a preworkshop walk through, the other at the CTSI farm.

### C. Partnership/Project Development

- **OWEB Small Grant Program:** Solicitation opens August 1. District has two projects for submission.
- **OSU Extension:** Rainwater catchment publication under review. The working group is discussing next steps for a statewide resource and/or sharing and expanding existing resources. Potential staff time for pond focus group over the next several years (funded by OSU).
- **Schooner Creek TA** - Lincoln City Public Works submitted a grant with the District as a technical assistance provider with several thousand in funding.

### D. Monitoring

- **See Katie Saaty Report**

E. General Operation/Training

- **Administrative** - Taking on MCWC check printing in August. Working on insurance plans to save staff and organization money.
- **Safety/Injury** - No new injuries.
- **Equipment:** New flail mower is proving difficult to use.
- **Project Management System** - Staff are working with Kyle to discuss options for a PMS.

F. Reporting

- **SOW Q4 Reporting** - Meeting with ODA July 10 to discuss SOW, FAAP, and monitoring. Annual reporting submitted with revisions. Kailee trained on this as it will be, partially, her responsibility.
- **USFWS Butterfly II:** Annual report submitted
- **NWQI** - Final report submitted.

G. Grant Applications/Grant Updates

**Name:** Lincoln County Parks Riparian Restoration

**Grantee:** OWEB

**Status:** Submitted (April 29, 2024) **Not funded**

**Start Date:** 2024

**End Date:** 2028

**Funding:** \$48,516

**Notes:**

**Name:** Upper Yaquina SIA Riparian Restoration

**Grantee:** OWEB

**Status:** Submitted (April 30, 2024) **Not funded**

**Start Date:** 2024

**End Date:** 2028

**Funding:** \$88,018

**Notes:** Recommended for funding in Fall 2023 submission

**Name:** Pollinator Habitat Restoration

**Grantee:** CPRCD

**Status:** Submitted

**Start Date:** 2024

**End Date:** 2028

**Funding:** \$60,002.80

**Notes:** Some level of funding expected per grantee

**Name:** Central Coast Dune Pollinator Habitat Restoration

**Grantee:** OPRD Invertebrate Grant (USFWS Section 6)

**Status:** Submitted **Not funded**

**Start Date:** 2024  
**End Date:** 2025  
**Funding:** \$25,565  
**Notes:**

**Name:** Lincoln County Riparian Noxious Weed Project  
**Grantee:** USFS Siuslaw Title II  
**Status:** RAC voted and approved for \$124,000. Pending agreement.  
**Start Date:** 2025  
**End Date:** 2029  
**Funding:** \$115,544  
**Notes:**

**Name:** Siletz Livestock Water Quality Technical Assistance  
**Grantee:** OWEB Open Solicitation  
**Status:** Submitted (April 29, 2024) **Not funded**  
**Start Date:** 2024  
**End Date:** 2026  
**Funding:** \$65,296  
**Notes:** Mostly for contract services for engineering designs

H. Other

I. Staff Update

- **Techs:** Weeds treatment, site maintenance, and floats. Transition to site prep to begin soon.
- **Projects:** MCWC Sams Creek, LSWCD Salmon River Hatchery, LSWCD Euchre Creek, LSWCD Schooner Creek, USFS Siuslaw Weeds, MCWC South Beaver, Title II Weeds

J. Noxious Weeds

- **Field Work:** Ramping up for the season with treatments happening in July. We anticipate a lull in herbicide treatment in August with hand pulling and deadheading ramping up while we wait for plants to begin to senesce.
- **Planning:** Planning has begun to float the Alsea, Siletz, and Salmon River. Staff will also be surveying Schooner Creek by foot.
- **CPRCD Alsea** - Final agreement with Green Ridge completed. Outreach ramping up with landowner agreement resigned from previous years.