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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Britt Ferguson for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer

County Executive Office

REPORT BY: Mary Jean McLaughlin, PIO/Committees & Commissions, 253-4111

SUBJECT: Appointment/Reappointment to the Board of Directors of the Napa River Watershed

Conservancy/Watershed Information Center (WICC)

# RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests the appointment/reappointment of four (4) applicants from the following list representing the public at large to serve on the Board of Directors of the Napa River Watershed Conservancy/Watershed Information Center (WICC) with the term of office to commence immediately and expire August, 2009.

## Applicants

Cheryl L. Harris
Beverly Saxon Leonard
Jim Dempsey Lincoln
Marc V. Pandone
Jeffrey Redding\*
Charles Slutzin\*
Robert E. Steinhauer

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

County Executive Officer requests the appointment/reappointment of five members to serve on the Board of Directors of the Napa River Watershed Conservancy/Watershed Information Center (WICC).

## FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

<sup>\*</sup>Incumbents

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

## **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

There are currently four (4) openings representing the public at large on the Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) due to term expirations. The County Executive Office has recruited for the positions and received applications from five new applicants. Two of the incumbents, Jeffrey Redding and Charles Slutzin, are requesting reappointment.

The WICC is charged with oversight responsibilities of the Conservancy and Watershed Information Center Programs as recommended by the Phase II Final Report of the Napa River Watershed Task Force. The Conservancy Program is intended to support restoration and resource protection activities and coordinate land acquisition and restoration projects. The Watershed Information Center is intended to be a long-term resource management program that will provide public outreach, educational efforts and monitoring coordination, inventory and assessment, and data management.

The Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) consists of fourteen (14) regular members and two (2) alternate members representing the following areas:

- 1. One (1) member nominated by the Napa County Land Trust from among the Land Trust's board of directors:
- 2. One (1) director or associate director nominated by the Napa County Resource Conservation District;
- 3. One (1) representative from the Natural Resource Conservation Service;
- 4. Two (2) members and one (1) alternate member of the Napa County Board of Supervisors;
- 5. One (1) member of the Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Commission;
- 6. Two (2) members and one (1) alternate member of Napa County Cities and Town recommended by the Napa County City Selection Committee; and,
- 7. Six (6) Napa County residents from the public at large representing environmental, agricultural, development and community interests.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Applicant Resumes

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Britt Ferguson