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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: Nadine Willoughby, Administrative Support Technician - 253-4595
SUBJECT: Appointment to the Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC)

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests that the Board make appointments to the Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) from the following applicants with the terms of office to commence immediately and expire August 2014.

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Mitchell Klug	Napa County Resource Conservation District
<u>Applicant</u> (Choose one)	<u>Representing</u>
Christopher Nathaniel Hattich	Public at Large
Jason Lauritsen	Public at Large
Ina Pisani	Public at Large
Ronald E. Sheffer	Public at Large

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

County Executive Officer requests appointments to the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC). There are currently two (2) openings due to expiration of terms on the Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC). One (1) opening is for a representative from Napa County Resource Conservation District and one (1) opening for a Public at Large representative. On

July 8, 2010 Napa County Resource Conservation District appointed Mitchell Klug as their representative to the WICC Board of Directors. The County Executive Office recruited for the Public at Large position and received four (4) applications.

By taking this action today, WICC will have a complete Board of Directors.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Staff reports.
2. Public comments.
3. Motion, second, discussion and vote on the item.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

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

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The WICC is charged with guiding and supporting community efforts to maintain and improve the health of Napa County's watershed lands by: coordinating and facilitating partnerships among the individuals, agencies, and organizations involved in improving watershed health and restoration; supporting watershed research activities; and, providing watershed information and education through an interactive website. The WICC considers itself a part of the solution to watershed issues and concerns guided by a set of adopted principles that embrace political neutrality, information collection and dissemination, collaboration, cooperation, and funding development.

The Board of Directors of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) consists of seventeen (17) regular members and one (1) alternate member 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. Five (5) members consisting of one representative from each city or town in Napa County nominated by

- their respective city or town council (American Canyon, Calistoga, Napa, St. Helena, and Yountville); and,
7. Six (6) Napa County residents from the public at large representing environmental, agricultural, development and community interests.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Mitchell Klug - Resource Conservation District Representative Application
- B . Christopher Nathaniel Hattich - Public at Large Representative Application
- C . Jason Lauritsen - Public at Large Representative Application
- D . Ina Pisani - Public at Large Representative Application
- E . Ronald E. Sheffer - Public at Large Representative Application
- F . Resource Conservation District Appointment email dated 7-13-10
- G . Resource Conservation District Minutes - Item 8D dated 7-8-10

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan