

MCL Invasive Plant Subcommittee

Meeting of June 15, 2016

Agenda

Approval of Minutes of prior meeting

Announcements/Calendar Items/Info Sharing:

-Expanding our email list. Members are reminded to be on the lookout for people interested in our work who we can add to our email list.

-Request for guest speakers and topics. Another reminder to members to be on the lookout for speakers and topics of interest to our group.

Agenda Items

Recent Events & Updates

-Discussion of election results and likely consequences for invasives issues

-Further discussion of the “no net loss of efficacy” position and presentation to IPM Commission.

-Progress on converting our last letter to the supervisors into an op-ed article for the IJ.

-Proposed invasive plant ordinance for Mill Valley. Paul and Betsy: report on their meeting with Tony Boyd, MV Parks Director.

-Report on Cal Invasive Species Action Week June 4-12

Current/New Items

-Reassessment of glyphosate as not likely to be carcinogenic by the European Food Safety Authority.

Deferred/Back Burner Items

-Arranging to have Janet Klein present her current findings re combatting invasive plants without glyphosate to the Parks and Open Space Commission and the Open Space Directors.

-Paul: Review of Tao Orion's Beyond Invasive Species, a Permaculture Approach to Ecosystem Restoration and Fred Pearce's The New Wild: Why Invasive Species Will Be Nature's Salvation.

-Jude/Paul: Presentation and discussion re the Open Standards for Conservation Practice

Paul: Review of New York's invasive plant regulations with lessons for California

Mission Statement

The mission of the Invasive Plant Subcommittee of the Parks and Open Space Committee is to educate and inform the citizens of Marin County about the threat to our open spaces posed by invasive plants and to mobilize the human, financial, governmental and institutional resources of our county to take effective action to restore our open space habitats to their natural condition to the maxim extent reasonably feasible.