

Marin Conservation League
Invasive Plant Subcommittee

Meeting of Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Agenda

Time and Place: 3:00 p.m., 175 North Redwood Dr., Tamalpais Conference Room (across the corridor from MCL offices in Suite 135)

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.

-Request from Stefan Parnay, Deputy Ag. Commissioner, to establish a working group to develop invasive plant lists for agricultural and open space lands in Marin County. Wants representatives for the Ag community and the major public agencies: GGNRA, PRNS, MCP, MMWD, and CSP. Eva—Progress with the list of contacts, and list of plants, she is working on.

-Jude Stalker: More on glyphosate regulation in Europe.

Agenda Items

Recent Events & Updates

- **Oct. 11**, the Parks and Open Space Commission voted unanimously to support the final Marin County OSD Vegetation and Biodiversity Management Plan. Issue of technical expertise on the commission to oversee the MCOSD IPM program.

- **Oct. 18** Open Space Board of Directors vote whether to adopt the final Vegetation and Biodiversity Management Plan and FEIR. [Review and deconstruction]

New Items

-Peter Sandman, lecturer and author: Responding to Community Outrage: Strategies for Effective Risk Communication [online book on his website]. "Risk = Hazard + Outrage." We need someone to review and summarize.

-Inquiry from Dr. Patrick Moran, Research Entomologist, USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Exotic and Invasive Weeds Research Unit, Albany, seeking a site on private property for release of a potential cape ivy biocontrol agent.

-Plant Right's Annual Report. Volunteer needed to work with Plant Right to focus on small nurseries in Marin to stop selling invasives.

-Initiation of the county supervisor's public education and outreach program to minimize the use of pesticides. We need someone to liaise with them and ensure they include information on invasive plants and non-herbicidal treatments in the program.

-Supervisory Election: Any more information on the positions of Rodoni and Grossi regarding support for IPM?

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 maximum extent reasonably feasible.