

## MARIN COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION MINUTES

April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Novato Farm Advisors' Office  
1682 Novato Boulevard, Suite 150B, Novato  
Downstairs conference room

**Members Present:** Brooke Halsey, Susan Ristow, Laurette Rogers (remote), Craig Anderson, Brad Stompe, Al Nichelini, Tom Camera, David Lewis UCCE (Advisor), Ana Mediana UCCE (Operations Manager), Lauren Cartwright UCCE (Area Director)

**Members Absent:** None

**Guests Present:** John Ristow

1. **Call to order:** 5:04 pm
2. **Adopt Agenda:** Adopted
3. **Approve Minutes of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026:** Approved
4. **Correspondence and Announcements:**
  - Letters written to Board of Supervisors, public works, and MMWD requesting funds for the MCFAW Commission.
5. **Public Expression on non-agenda items but subject to our advisement:** See #7
6. **Presentations:**
  - Commissioner introduced themselves to grant applicants. Commissioner Halsey, stated the intent of Commission to provide funding which is limited this year, and we are seeking to uncover new sources of funding. Applicants should also use this as an opportunity to network with other applicant organizations.
  - Commissioner Halsey asked applicants to specify what is most important to fund this year, given Commission's limited resources.
7. **Old Business**
  - Presentations representing 13 grant applicant organizations for 2026/27
    - i. 3 – Presentations in-person
    - ii. 7 – Presentations via Zoom
    - iii. 3 – Applicants did not present
  - 26/27 Scholarship applications
    - i. Discussion postponed until next meeting
8. **New Business**
  - Discussion regarding identifying new sources of money
9. **Meeting Adjourned:** 6:25 pm

### Important Dates:

- **Next Commission Meeting:** Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5pm – In Person