

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District  
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: June 16, 2026  
Agenda Item #: Report C  
Agenda Item Subject: WETA Program & CAPGP Program Grant Updates

To: SRCD Board of Directors  
From: SRCD Staff

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**Background – Conservation Planning (CAPGP) Grant**

*Sloughhouse RCD was awarded \$199,800 from the California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) Conservation Agriculture Planning Grant Program (CAPGP) and the SRCD Board is finishing the work on this 2-year grant contract agreement. The grant has been extended until June 14, 2026.*

- Grant officially closed on June 14, 2026

**Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA) Grant**

*On July 28<sup>th</sup>, the CA Dept. of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) announced that Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District has been selected to receive a Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA) award in the amount of \$ 432,153.00. The grant has been extended to March 31, 2027.*

- As of May 1, 2026, the WETA program has been formally paused pending state budget allocations. In the grant extension, it was noted that CDFA would notify SRCD by May 1<sup>st</sup> if funding was guaranteed past that date and they complied with that. The Board should have been notified about this clause, so we could have better prepared for this potential pause in funding.
- 55 irrigation evaluations and 50 pump efficiency tests have been performed throughout the grant period.
- Currently, in the Governor's May Revise budget, CDFA has had all technical grant funding reappropriation extended. This is a good sign, as it leads to all technical grant funding being maintained in FY 26/27. The budget will now go through negotiations through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Lindsey will be monitoring this and engaging CDFA Finance on progress of these discussions.
- If funding is maintained, then the grant could be re-authorized for a restart on July 1 – Marh 31, 2027. At this point we are hopeful we can restart WETA activities in July, but it will not be official until the budget is signed by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Funding is looking precarious with push back from the legislature on re-authorizing grant funding. Lindsey is closely monitoring and will provide updates as it moves through the budget process.