



**FRIENDS OF
CORTE MADERA CREEK
WATERSHED**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING AGENDA**

7:00 pm Thursday September 17, 2026

Community Meeting Room #3

Enter at East End of Larkspur Library

10 Rose Lane, Larkspur CA 94939

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1. Call to Order and Order of Business
2. Introductions
3. Announcements
4. Approval of Minutes from August 20, 2026
5. Financial Report
6. Appoint New Board Member
7. List of Potential Projects
8. Develop Policy for Land Use and Activities at Piper Park?
9. Larkspur Ferry Service Expansion & Parking Project Draft Environmental Impact
Released 9/17/26; comments due 11/2/26
10. Reports
 - Ecology Study Area
 - Lower COM Habitat Restoration
 - Corte Madera Creek Flood Risk Management Project
 - Modification of Route 20/Corte Madera Creek Path
 - Notice of Preparation for EIR: Update of Marin Water's RTMP
11. Adjournment

Note: The door at the east end of the Larkspur Library is tucked into an alcove located between the larger meeting room that opens onto the patio and the smaller room we use. We will keep the door open as long as our meeting is in session.

Next Meetings: October 15 and November 19, 2026; January 21, 2027



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Regular Board Meeting August 20, 2026

Sandy Guldman called the meeting to order via Zoom and in person at 7:00 PM in Meeting Room #3 at the Larkspur Public Library, Rose Lane, Larkspur. Other board members present: Jason Brodersen, Charles Kennard, Nick Salcedo, Barbara Salzman, Mike Swezy and Ann Thomas. Guest: Alec Shuldiner

Order of Business. Added Mt. Tam Racquet Club redevelopment plans.

Announcements. 1. Nick reported that Marin Water's watershed Manager Shaun Horne, will be the district's new general manager as of October 1, 2026, succeeding Ben Horenstein. This is promising as he will bring Watershed values as the General Manager, a position that has largely been occupied by engineers in the past. 2. Sandy reported having been contacted by a resident who expressed a concern that a flashing nighttime security light at the former Lucky Market location was disturbing wildlife on Corte Madera Creek. Sandy directed her to the management company that installed the light. 3. A Corte Madera resident, who is a member of the Terra Linda Rotary Club, suggested that the group might be willing to take on a project that would improve the local environment. At his invitation, Sandy gave a presentation at their meeting on Tuesday, 8/12/26. She suggested three projects and is waiting for a response.

Approval of June 18 and July 16, 2026 Minutes. M/S (Charlie/Mike) and approved as distributed.

Financial Reports. Total assets and equity as of 7/31/26 were \$168,247.96, with about \$20,000 to \$30,000 encumbered.

List of Potential Projects. The board discussed the need to update and combine several lists of potential projects so that when funding opportunities arise, we can respond quickly. Alec agreed to work on developing an integrated list.

Need for New Board Members. There were a number of suggestions to advertise board openings, including email messages to Friends' email list and advertising in the Marin IJ. Alec Shuldiner, who lives in Fairfax, accepted our invitation to join the board, and his election will be on the board's September agenda.

Select New Vice President. It was M/S (Ann/Nick) and approved to elect Jason Brodersen as Friends' vice president, an office vacated by Alycia's move to North Carolina.

Develop Policy for Land Use and Activities at Piper Park. Given the uncertainty about the future of the former dog park and a recent request to develop a bike park at the site of the old dog park, the board discussed whether Friends's should have policy for Larkspur's Piper Park. The City has a plan for the park, which Sandy will circulate. It may be adequate to comment on the City's plan.

Reports

Ecology Study Area. A contract with Fahy Tree Service to cut a eucalyptus has been signed.

Lower COM Habitat Restoration. A group of Branson seniors will be volunteering to pull weeds on Friday, 8/21/26.

CMC Flood Risk Management Project. The Flood Control District has decided to focus exclusively on projects that address flooding. The removal of the Ross fish ladder, raising walls downstream even though that addresses flooding), and construction of the fish resting pools have all been canceled. This puts the Department of Water Resources grant at risk. It is likely that the grant will be closed out without being fully expended. Nick and Sandy are trying to find private or Federal funding to provide the 50% match for the State grant to construct the fish resting pools, but it does not look promising at this point.

Relocation of Route 20/Corte Madera Creek Path. We are reaching out to get support for this project. It is complicated because there are many stakeholders and because the Flood Control District canceled raising the concrete wall to protect properties along the left bank from high water overflowing into neighborhoods.

Marin Water RTMP Update. Environmental review of the update of the 2005 Roads and Trails Management Plan is getting underway. Scoping will soon begin and a public draft of the updated RTMP should be out this fall. A major issue has been accommodation of bikes on district trails where they were not previously allowed. The update considers a number of options for changes in existing trails as well as opportunities for environmental benefits, such as removing undesirable trails and improvements at creek crossings.

ARC/Water Supply. Mike reported this project is a major part of the water district's future supply planning. It is designed to capture and store surplus water from atmospheric rivers for future use. The project would take this surplus water from the Russian River south in the North Marin Water's aqueduct into Novato, then, via a new 13.2 mile long transmission pipeline, convey it to Nicasio Reservoir for storage. The ARC project is estimated to be capable of providing up to 3,800-acre feet of stored water for future use. The project is currently undergoing environmental review with a draft EIR due out this fall. A component to address flooding on Halleck Creek has been added in response to local concerns.

Mount Tam Racquet Club. The Larkspur Planning Commission has approved a project to demolish the old club, and replace it with a group of smaller buildings, plus outdoor tennis courts, a three-lane outdoor pool, and re-landscaping. The proposed redevelopment would require removal of some redwood trees (too small to be considered heritage trees). A neighbor has contacted Friends, Marin Audubon, and MCL requesting a \$750 donation to appeal the approval. Her efforts have not been successful.

Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.