



Yosemite-Mariposa IRWM Proposition 84 Planning Grant Proposal *Attachment 2: Eligible Applicant Documentation*

Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) is a special district of the state of California and is therefore a local agency as described in Appendix B of the Guidelines. The MCRCD is governed by by-laws and an appointed Board of Directors and is subject to the Brown Act.

Under Division 9 of the California Public Resources Code, RCDs are permitted to function to a certain degree as enterprise districts because they are empowered to charge reasonable fees for services rendered to individuals.

Though not governed directly by the state, special districts, including RCDs, are subject to state laws governing elections, responsibilities, legal meetings and contracts.

MCRCD currently has the following legal agreements that ensure performance and tracking of funds:

- two federal contribution agreements: USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service and USDA-Forest Service
- one active contract with the State of California Department of Conservation
- three active contracts with the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, a California state agency
- one completed legal agreement with the County of Mariposa for repayment of a bridge loan

All funds managed by the MCRCD are audited annually by an independent agency, Smith & Newell, CPAs, Yuba City, CA, as legally required.