## **North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District**

(formerly the Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District)

\*\*An independent special district of the State of California\*\*

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## **Director Application**

Please submit this application to NSCRCD using this <u>online form</u> or via email at <u>gcrcd@gcrcd.org</u>. For assistance with your application or to request reasonable accommodations to submit your application in an alternative format, please contact the NSCRCD office at 408-288-5888 or email Executive Director Stephanie Moreno at <u>gcrcd@gcrcd.org</u>.

Name: William Ware

Mailing Address:	San Jose, CA 95112
Phone Number:	Email:

- 1. Describe your background and/or experience in agriculture, natural resource conservation, environmental sciences, and/or another related field.
  - Assistant Project Manager California Trout, Inc. (Aug. 2022 present)
  - Data Analyst California Sea Grant (June 2022 Jan. 2023)
  - Biologist/Graduate Intern FISHBIO, Inc. (May 2021 June 2022)
  - University of CA Santa Cruz (M.S.) Coastal Science & Policy (Sep. 2020 June 2022)
  - Case Investigator/Contact Tracer CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment (July Sep. 2020)
  - University of Florida (B.S.) Marine Science, Interdisciplinary Studies (Aug. 2016 May 2020)
  - Intern FL Dept. of Environmental Protection (June Aug. 2019)
  - Intern Florida Agricultural Experimental Research Station (May June 2019)
- 2. Describe your interest in serving on the North Santa Clara RCD Board of Directors.
  - Curiosity: Attending Board meetings continues teaching me about natural resource management projects and environmental education efforts in my community, both on my block and across the county.
  - Concern: Diverse people are striving to steward natural resources in the District so I want to
    help staff learn about and support these local efforts, such as studying flood risks for
    unhoused communities living along creeks and training first-generation BIPOC farmers.
  - Connection: Recreating in District boundaries encourages me to support conservation efforts that benefit the ecosystems that I and others enjoy by discussing local policy decisions.
- 3. Describe other applicable skills that you believe would help the District further its mission "to provide education and technical assistance to constituents and watershed stakeholders to sustainably manage soil, water and wildlife with the best available science".

**Certification of Qualifications:** 

The qualifications for a Director are set forth in California Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 9352 as follows:

- (a) Directors shall be registered voters in the state.
- (b) Except as provided in subdivision (d), directors shall (1) reside within the district and either own real property in the district or alternatively have served, pursuant to the district's rules, for two years or more as an associate director providing advisory or other assistance to the board of directors, or (2) be a designated agent of a resident landowner within the district.
- 1. Please initial the following indicating compliance with PRC 9352(a):
  - Y I am a registered voter in California.
- 2. Please initial at least one of the following indicating compliance with PRC 9352(b):
  - **N** I am a real property owner residing within District. Qualifying address:
  - **N** I have been a NSCRCD Associate Director for two years or more providing advisory or other assistance to the Board of Directors.
  - Y I am a designated agent of a resident landowner. (Attach letter from the resident landowner designating you as their agent; letter must include the qualifying property address.)

I hereby declare that I am an applicant and qualified candidate for the office of Director, and that I meet the qualifications set forth in Section 9352 of the Public Resources Code. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Print Name William	Ware		
Signed:	William Ware	Signature Date:	04/29/2024

Susan Hare President, Santa Clara County Resource Conservation District 1560 Berger Dr., Rm 211 San Jose, CA 95112

Date: April 29th, 2024

Designation as an agent for registered landowner within the North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District

Dear Board of Directors,

As a follow up to recommending William Ware as a candidate to the Board, I am also writing to designate him as an agent for my land within the District boundaries. I reside at Los Altos, CA 94022. Will is familiar with District issues because he is both a renter on property adjacent to its boundaries and a conservation supporter works within the boundaries. He also works with neighboring Conservation Districts.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Lanman, MD, Past President

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North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District

Los Altos, CA 94022

Susan Hare President, Santa Clara County Resource Conservation District 1560 Berger Dr., Rm 211 San Jose, CA 95112

Date: April 4, 2024

Re: Recommendation of William Ware for Board of Directors of the North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to highly recommend William Ware as a candidate for the position on the Board of Directors of the North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District. I have had the pleasure of working closely with William for several years and have been consistently impressed by his dedication, leadership skills, and passion for environmental conservation. His background in environmental science and data analysis, as detailed on his LinkedIn profile (<a href="https://www.linkedin.com/in/ware123/">https://www.linkedin.com/in/ware123/</a>), showcases his expertise and commitment to linking people, policy, and research to inform conservation management decisions within our community.

William's exceptional communication skills, strategic thinking, and ability to collaborate effectively with diverse stakeholders make him an ideal candidate for a leadership role within the North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District. His track record of successfully implementing conservation initiatives and experience in grant writing and communicating science would add important capabilities to the Board. I am confident that William's strong work ethic, integrity, and vision for a more sustainable future will make him a valuable asset to the Board of Directors, contributing significantly to the strategic direction and success of the North Santa Clara Resource Conservation District.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Lanman, MD, Past President

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CC: Stephanie Moreno, Executive Director, NSCRCD