**Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed**

**Management Area "HWCWMA"**

**Mission Statement**

The Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed Management Area (HWCWMA) is dedicated to the management and control of noxious and invasive weeds within the Humboldt River Watershed area.

The primary function of the HWCWMA is to provide land managers, owners and local weed control groups with technical assistance in the areas of funding opportunities, agency and various stakeholder coordination and general communication and cooperation. We may fund weed control and weed management projects if funds are available.

**Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed Management Area - Board of Directors: FY 2019**

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***\*1 Year. BOD Terms from Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting.***

**Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed Management Area By-Laws**

**Article I - Membership**

**Section 1 - Membership**

* The Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed Management Area (HWCWMA) shall be open to all individuals, organizations, interest groups, corporations, businesses and government agencies with jurisdiction or interest within the Humboldt River Watershed.
* All members shall be voting members for the purpose of nominating and electing the Board of Directors.

**Section 2 - Renewal**

* There are no renewal requirements for continued membership in the HWCWMA. An occasional inquiry may be made of members to determine their desire to be maintained on the organization's mailing list.

**Article II - Meetings**

**Section 1 - Annual Meeting**

* The HWCWMA shall hold an annual meeting prior to March 15 of each calendar year.

**Section 2 - Special Meetings**

* Special meetings of the membership may be called as needed by the Board of Directors. The agenda will be set by the Board and modified by a majority of members in attendance at the beginning of each meeting.

**Section 3 - Place of Meetings**

* Meeting locations will be determined by the Board of Directors.

**Section 4 - Quorums**

* A quorum of the Board shall be the majority of the seated members present at an official meeting.

**Article III - Finances**

**Section 1 - Operating Funds**

* The HWCWMA will operate on donations and grants from individuals, groups, governmental agencies, or corporations. Fees may be charged for services rendered. All donations will be accepted in accordance with applicable state and federal laws, and regulations. Funding or Service agreements can be entered into.

**Section 2 - Fiscal Year**

* The Fiscal Year shall be the calendar year.

**Article IV - Board of Directors**

**Section 1 - Composition**

* The Board shall consist of up to seven persons elected from the membership. No interest group may have more than two representatives on the Board at the same time.

**Section 2 - Elections**

* Candidates for the Board of Directors may be nominated from the floor at the annual membership meeting and/or by a nominating committee selected by the membership, and shall be elected by the membership at its annual meeting.

**Section 3 - Terms of Office**

* The term of a Board member shall be 12 months. A Board member may serve consecutive terms up to a total of eight years.

**Section 4 - Duties and Responsibilities**

* The Board shall manage the affairs of HWCWMA.
* The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers as an agent of HWCWMA to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of HWCWMA.
* The Board of Directors shall designate up to four officers and/or agents of HWCWMA to sign all checks, drafts, or orders for payment of money in the name of HWCWMA.

**Section 5 - Meetings**

* The Board shall hold no less than four regular meetings a year with all meetings being open to the membership.

**Section 6 - Vacancies**

* Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled at the next annual meeting of the membership or at a special meeting of the membership called for that purpose.

**Section 7 - Quorum**

* A quorum of the Board shall be the majority of the seated seven directors. This quorum shall be required to transact any business within its authority.

**Article V - Officers**

**Section 1 - Officers**

* Officers shall consist of a Chair (President), Vice-Chair, and Secretary/Treasurer selected from the Board of Directors by the Board of Directors.

**Section 2 - Terms of Office**

* The terms of all officers shall be 24 months.

**Section 3 - Records**

* All officers shall maintain a file of essential records. These records will be transferred to their successor within 30 days of the election. The official records of the HWCWMA shall be maintained by the Secretary/Treasurer.

**Section 4 - Duties of Officers**

**The President:**

* Shall be the principal executive officer of HWCWMA and shall in general, supervise and control the business and affairs of HWCWMA.
* Shall act as the presiding officer at all meetings of the membership and Board of Directors.
* With the concurrence of the Board may establish temporary committees and designate chairs and members of such committees.
* Have the power to call special meetings of the membership and/or the Board of Directors.
* Shall be the official spokesperson of HWCWMA.

**The Vice-President**

* Shall perform the duties of the President in the event of the latter's absence or inability to carry out such duties.
* In the event the office of President becomes vacant, assume the office of President until the position is filled (Section 5 below).
* Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President of HWCWMA.

**Secretary/Treasurer**

These duties may be assigned to the Administrator (See Article VII) by action of the Board of Directors.

* Shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of HWCWMA, receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to HWCWMA, and deposit all such moneys in the name of HWCWMA in a bank or other depository as selected by the Board.
* Shall be the custodian of all HWCWMA financial and other records.
* Keep the minutes of all meetings.
* Prepare the meeting minutes in a summary format; secure in a permanent manner and distribute to all members in a timely manner.

* Notify the membership and directors of the place and time of all regular and special meetings.
* Maintain a current list of all members and their current addresses.

**Section 5 - Vacancies**

* Any vacancy created by the resignation of an officer shall be filled from within the Board within 60 days, or as soon as practical, of the resignation. The newly elected officer shall fulfill the balance of the term of the officer replaced.

**Article VI - HWCWMA Administrator**

**Section 1 - Administrator**

* The Board may hire an Administrator for the purpose of conducting the day-to-day and routine business of HWCWMA and to serve as its agent. Compensation and tenure will be at the discretion of the Board.

**Section 2 - Duties**

* The administrator may be either full or part time. Duties and responsibilities will be as assigned by the Board and in accordance with the terms of these By-Laws.

**Article VII - Amendments to By-Laws**

**Section 1 - Amendments**

* These By-Laws may be amended, altered or added to by two-thirds of the membership in attendance at the annual meeting.

**Amended and Restated Articles**

**Humboldt Watershed Cooperative Weed Management Area**

**By-laws**

**Article VIII - Articles of Incorporation**

1. The HWCWMA is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
2. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the HWCWMA shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the HWCWMA shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.
3. Upon the dissolution of the HWCWMA, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.