



**Agricultural Producers Working Group Meeting**  
**Wednesday, December 11, 2024**  
**1:30 p.m.-3:30p.m.**

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**Hybrid Location:** CWSD Offices, 777 E William St. Suite 209 (upstairs), Carson City, NV 89701 or

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**Meeting Purpose:** The CRC – APWG works with Carson River Watershed agricultural-associated partners to enhance soil health practices, maintain and improve water quality and water resource management, increase agricultural economic resilience (from drought, climate change, invasive species, etc.) and promote agriculture as a beneficial and critical land use for the protection of the CRW floodplain. See [CRC Agricultural Producers Working Group Foundational Document](#).

### **Agenda Items**

1. **(1:30 – 1:40) Welcome, Introductions**
2. **(1:40 – 1:55pm) Grant Updates:**
  - a. **Upshot of 208**
  - b. **319 developments (Workshop...)**
3. **(1:55 -2:05) Summary of July Frey Visit (Joe Frey)**
4. **(2:05 -2:35pm) Goals Workshops I:**
  - a. [Soil Health Bill AB80 prefiled Dec. 2, 2024](#): Discussion (Ed James, Brenda, TNC?)
  - b. Strategize creating a demonstration farm network in the CRW –
    - i. <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/NRS-553.html> (How does this apply to our goals?).
    - ii. [Potential Example: Between the Lakes Demonstration Network; Blanchard River Demonstration Farms Network](#)
  - c. Brainstorm speakers and upcoming year-would Extension like help with events?
5. **(2:35 – 2:50pm) Upcoming Funding (See [Farm Bill Programs and Grants](#))**
  - a. [NRCS grant programs in NV](#) (click link, scroll down) (Jessica Gwerder)
    - i. CWSD attended NV NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program Workshop held in November. (CWSD, NRCS staff )
  - b. [Western SARE](#) – Potential Spring 2025 opportunities (CWSD staff, UNCE staff)
  - c. NV Department of Agriculture grants: (NDA staff)
    - i. [Nevada Foundational Seed Program – RFQ Spring seed application](#) 2024. (CWSD has request in to see if 2025 application)
    - ii. [Cooperative Forestry Assistance 2024 Cooperative Invasive Plant Cost Share Program](#) due December 20, 2025.

d. Other Grant opportunities: USDA [NV Regional Food Systems Business Builder Grant](#) open: Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> closes February 3, 2025.

6. **(2:50 – 3:00) Upcoming events/Opportunities for outreach**

- a. Watershed Forum Mar. 3 & 4 – may be one or 1.5 day only, but please save those dates.
- b. 2025 Cattlemen’s Update Jan 13-17: <https://naes.unr.edu/cattlemens/default.aspx>
- c. Beginning Farmer or Rancher Course begins Jan. 22: <https://extension.unr.edu/beginning-farmers-ranchers/default.aspx>
- d. Urban Ag Conference, Las Vegas, Jan 28-30: <https://extension.unr.edu/urban-ag/>
- e. Nevada Bee & Garden Conference, Minden, Mar 20-22: <https://extension.unr.edu/beekeeping/conference.aspx>

7. **(3:00– 3:29pm) Participant Round Robin**

8. **(3:30pm) Adjourn. Next Meeting Mar. 26, 2025, 1:30-3:30pm**