

Sierra Nevada Conservancy Shasta County Field Tour June 11th, 2014

Field Tour Agenda

1:30 – 5:00 PM

Please join the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Boardmembers and Staff on a field trip to view and discuss issues related to ranching and agricultural lands. The field trip will begin at the PG&E launch site parking lot on Main St./River St., ½ mile south of Hwy 299 in downtown Fall River Mills.

1:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Jim Branham, Executive Officer, Sierra Nevada Conservancy
- Pam Giacomini, Shasta County Supervisor, SNC North Subregion Representative

1:45 Board vans and travel to Hat Creek Overlook

2:15 Hat Creek Overlook

- Kit Mullen, District Ranger, USDA Forest Service (USFS) Hat Creek District will discuss the relationship of ranching on public lands from the USFS perspective.

2:50 Board vans and travel to Bidwell Ranch

3:15 Bidwell Ranch at Hat Creek

- Mark Bidwell, Owner, will discuss private ranch operations and importance of business diversification and partnerships.

4:00 Board vans and travel to Hat Creek Hereford Ranch

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- Pam and Henry Giacomini, Owners/Partners, will discuss challenges and opportunities to maintain the economic viability of multi-generational ranching.

5:00 Adjourn tour

5:00 – 7:00 Boardmembers and members of the public are invited to a reception hosted by the Hat Creek Grown and The Hat Creek 4H Club.

NOTE: *Tour vehicles will not return to the tour start until after dinner. Those not wishing to stay through dinner should use their own vehicles*