

SCB chapter meeting notes
Oct 28th, 2009

SCB's policy for writing statement papers (by chapters)

No quorum. Members write statement. Has to be approved by SCB parent committee.

Jim Thorne's oak talk

Valley Oak restoration along Putah Creek in UC Davis

To plant, they gather acorns, put in sprouting trays. Have put in about 80 trees/yr on campus for about five years. Donated about 100 starts/yr to Putah Creek Reserve. There's a definite thread of oak trees along riparian areas coming all the way from the foothills. Great opportunity for oak corridors.

Planting parties are a great way to involve many people (especially for trees!) Now campus requires that a certain percentage of trees planted per building project be native. Green engineering is an opportunity since large trees that are flush with a building can reduce energy usage in the hot months due to shading.

Kristy: There's a new campus group that seeks to build a coalition between campus groups that do any sustainability work. Could be good to link into for planting party volunteers.

Jim: There will be a planting party done by the GGE Sustainability Committee. Date is...?

Yolo Co has asked for trees around landfill. Willing to consider some road planting, likely south side of east-running road to maximize shadows on road (not ag land). Woodland Tree Foundation and Tree Davis plant along Highway 113. Putah Creek Streamkeepers also. SLEWS might be a group that needs trees.

Kristy: Target may be a good business to approach for native landscaping.

Measure P

Brief rundown of what Measure P is.

Coming up for vote Nov 3rd

Discussed pros and cons (see document on Measure P written by SCB officers.)

Yes and no sides are taking different tacks. YES side assumes that housing must be done and approves this type of housing. NO side says that Davis city growth does not need to be built in the first place.