

Bank Closure Plan

The following plan describes the long-term management obligations and proposals for the following entities involved with the Burke Ranch Conservation Bank:

Bank Sponsor: Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC (WES) is the Bank Sponsor. Pre-bank closure responsibilities include, but are not limited to: implementing habitat creation on the Bank, posting the construction and performance securities, funding the endowment, and ensuring credit sales are in compliance with the Conservation Bank Agreement (CBA) and are reported to the CBRT. Upon closure of the Bank, the Bank Sponsor will not assume long-term responsibilities with the Bank Property.

Property Owner/Fee-title Owner: WES is also the property owner and fee-title holder of the Bank. WES is the grantor of the Conservation Easement (CE), and will be responsible with complying with the terms and obligations of the easement. Upon closure of the Bank, WES will be responsible for ensuring that activities on property are conducted in compliance with the CE, and that prohibited activities are excluded from the Bank.

Bank Manager: WES will be the Bank Manager in perpetuity. Upon closure of the Bank, WES will be responsible for implementing the long-term management plan (Exhibit D of the CBA). The Bank Manager will be responsible for preparing annual reports for the signatory agencies as to the status of the Bank and actions taken on the Bank in the preceding year. In addition, the Bank Manager will be responsible for coordinating with the Property Owner, Monitoring Biologist, and appropriate agencies to ensure the Bank remains in compliance with the CE. The Bank Manager will coordinate with the Endowment Trustee on an annual basis to secure release of endowment funds to implement maintenance, management, and monitoring activities on the Bank.

Conservation Easement Grantee: The Center of Natural Lands Management (CNLM) is the grantee for the CE. Prior to Bank closure, the Grantee will be responsible for documenting the Bank is in good standing with the terms and conditions of the CE. Long term, the Grantee will be responsible for monitoring the Bank on an annual basis to ensure the Bank is being maintained in accordance with the terms of the CE. The Grantee will be responsible for submitting an annual report to the signatory agencies describing the annual monitoring activities, and identifying any actions or conditions that may not be in compliance with the CE. The Grantee will be responsible for coordinating with the Property Owner and the Bank Manager on an annual basis to discuss the status of the Bank property and compliance with the CE.

Endowment Trustee and Beneficiaries: Endowment Trustee will be provide notice that the Bank Sponsor has fully funded the Endowment prior to the closure of the Bank, and provide verification of this to the CBRT. Long-term responsibilities will include prudent investing of the endowment per state and federal regulations pertaining to non-profit (501.c.3) organizations, coordinating with the Bank Manager to ensure annual distribution of funds from the endowment account, and coordinating with the appropriate agencies to ensure the bank is in compliance with the terms of the Conservation Easement.

The following actions are required by the Bank Sponsor to close the Bank:

- Submit a final sales ledger indicating the available remaining credits at either: a) zero remaining credits available, or b) the total amount of credits to be extinguished upon closure of the Bank.
- Provide verification to the CBRT that the performance criteria have been achieved for habitat creation as approved in the Burke Ranch CBA.
- Provide verification to the CBRT that the Endowment has been fully funded to the amount identified in the Burke Ranch CBA.
- Provide verification to the CBRT that the CE has been recorded with the County of Solano, as to the form approved in the Burke Ranch CBA.

Conditions of approval and long-term responsibilities related to transfer in ownership of the property, change in Bank Manger, and long-term distributions from the endowment are specified in the CBA and the CE.