



FY 2019-20 Preliminary Budget

Natural Resources and Agriculture

Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District

Agriculture/Weights and Measures

Regional Parks

Sonoma County Water Agency

U.C. Cooperative Extension

Functional Area

Key Functional Area Challenges and Opportunities

CHALLENGES:

- Staffing challenges; unable to provide levels of services with reduced budgets.
- Reduced capacity to manage lands, both public and private lands.
- Ability to obtain grants; need support to write and manage grants.
- Reduced ability to address climate change issues, fire, flooding, drought.





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OPPORTUNITIES:

- Department collaboration to implement, educate and expand the use of fire and grazing for managing working landscapes
- Training for youth in land management activities, coordination with Youth Ecology Corps
- Department participation in the Ag & Open Space Vital Land Initiative
- Departments are supporting Groundwater Sustainability Act (GSA) coordination and implementation
- Departmental use and application of LIDR mapping data for land management
- Identification of individual department's roles in recovery and resiliency; prioritizing as relevant to fire, flooding and drought





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FY 2019-20 Collaboration Session Outcomes

- Groundwater Sustainability
- Grazing for Fire Protection and Natural Resources Enhancement
- Sonoma Valley Fire Collaborative
- Sonoma Veg Map/LiDAR/Post Fire Data Collection and Analysis
- Vital Lands Initiative
- Lake Sonoma FireSmart Project

