



# STAFF REPORT

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**Meeting Type:** Watershed Committee/Board of Directors  
**Title:** Dedication of Memorial Plaque in Honor of Roger E. Roberts  
**From:** Shaun Horne, Director of Watershed Resources  
**Through:** Ben Horenstein, General Manager  
**Meeting Date:** September 19, 2024

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**TYPE OF ACTION:**    X    Action                      Information                      Review and Refer

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the installation of a new bench along Azalea Hill Trail with a memorial plaque for Roger E. Roberts

**SUMMARY:** The District allows for memorial plaques to be placed on the Watershed on benches and picnic tables in developed areas as they are available. At the request of the Marin Conservation League (MCL) and in honor of Roger E. Roberts, the District will install a plaque on a bench in the Azalea Hill vicinity in his memory. In compliance with Board Policy 7 (H) in order to place a memorial plaque along a trail the Board must approve by a majority vote of the Board. Staff is requesting the Board to approve the installation of a new bench along Azalea Hill Trail with a memorial plaque for Roger E. Roberts.

**DISCUSSION:** Roger was highly engaged in various Marin Water community workshops and regularly participated in District Watershed Committee and Board Meetings, as well as provided voluntary service on District Community Advisory Committees. Roger was especially interested in the fiscal sustainability of the District and the protection of the District watershed’s biodiversity and rare plants, and he regularly provided his insightful and thoughtful comments on those topics to staff and the Board. In memory of Roger and in appreciation of all his involvement with the District, the District will install a memorial plaque on a bench along the Azalea Hill Trail in the District’s watershed.

The plaque language was developed by Roger’s family and MCL. It will read as follows:



*Roger’s View*  
*Remembering Roger E. Roberts for his enduring care of the watershed.*  
*1936-2023*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:** Not applicable.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Not applicable.

**ATTACHMENT(S):** None.

DEPARTMENT OR DIVISION	DIVISION MANAGER	APPROVED
Watershed		
	<b>Shaun Horne</b> Watershed Resources Director	<b>Ben Horenstein</b> General Manager