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RCD Recruits High School Students for Annual Speak-Off Contest

Glenn County, CA – Recruiting all high school students. Since 1987, the local Resource Conservation District (RCD) has offered an Annual Speak–Off Contest for High School students. Created by the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD), this contest is open to all Glenn County students in the 9th – 12th grade levels.

This year's speech topic is "How can RCDs help landowners reduce the threat of fires?" Therefore, interested students may show off their talents by preparing a speech on the topic and providing it to an audience at the next RCD Meeting September 17th.

Speakers will first provide the speech at the local level. The top speaker will advance to the regional contest. The top regional speaker will advance to the State contest. In addition to the possibility of advancing, in the local Glenn County contest, first place wins \$100, second place wins \$75, and third place wins \$50.

Glenn County students must return the Speak-Off Contest Application to the Glenn County RCD office by <u>September 7, 2018</u>. Local competition will be held on September 17, 2018 at 1 PM; location TBA. Continuing competitors will speak at the Sacramento Valley Region of RCDs fall meeting, and finally, if chosen at the regional level, the speaker may have the opportunity to represent their school, RCD, and county at the CARCD annual meeting held in San Diego, November 2018.

All high school students are encouraged to participate in this exciting RCD *Connects with Kids* challenge.

For further information, questions or to download the Speak-Off Contest Application, visit www.glenncountyrcd.org or call (530) 934-4601 x5.
