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BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

Riverside, CA
May 15, 2014

BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, J. Keith Gilles
Mark Andre
Bruce Saito
Rich Wade
Susan Britting
Mike Miles
Stuart Farber
Mary Rickert
Susan Husari

BOARD STAFF:

George Gentry, Executive Officer
Matthew Dias, Executive Officer, Forester's
Licensing
Kevin Conway, SRA Forester
Laura Alarcon-Stalians, Analyst
Edith Hannigan, Analyst

DEPARTMENTAL STAFF:

Duane Shitaku, Deputy Director, Resource Management
Caroline Godkin, Deputy Director, Legislation
Helge Eng, Assistant Deputy Director, Environmental
Protection

The Board's Mission:

To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

1. Call to Order: Chair Gillless called the Board into session at 0807.
2. No Executive Session was held.
3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings.
 - 05-14-01** Chair Gillless moved to approve January and March minutes, and noted revisions for both. Member Miles seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

4. Report of the Chairman.

Chair Gillless acknowledged and welcomed new Board member Susan Husari.
5. Report of the Director/Department.

Deputy Director Shintaku gave the report. He noted the declaration of an Emergency in San Diego County, the overall fire situation in Southern California, and the Promotion of Keith Larkin to North Region Chief. Deputy Director for Legislation Caroline Godkin reviewed current legislation and the May Revise for the Budget.
6. Report of the Regulations Coordinator. The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.

Staff updated the Board on regulation status.
7. Report of Executive Officer. The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.

No report.
8. Report of the Standing Committees. Committee Chairpersons will report on the actionable items from Committee meetings. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)
 - Forest Practice, Mark Andre, Chair
 - 05-14-02** Member Andre moved to adopt Emergency regulations pertaining to the drafting of water. Member Miles seconded.

No public comment received.
Roll Call Vote

Andre	Aye
Wade	Aye
Husari	Aye
Miles	Aye
Farber	Aye
Rickert	Aye
Saito	Aye
Britting	Aye
Gillless	Aye

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gienger commented on the need to proceed with the cumulative impacts review.

- Resource Protection, Bruce Saito, Chair
 - 5-14-03** Member Saito moved to pass Safety Elements Assessments document. Member Miles seconded the motion.

No public comment received.
The motion passed unanimously by acclamation.

5-14-4 Member Saito moved to approve Guidance Document for the Planning process. Member Rickert seconded the motion.

No public comment received.
The motion passed unanimously by acclamation.

5-14-5 Member Saito moved to approve letter of support to Congressman Huffman on HB 2375. Member Rickert seconded the motion.

No public comment received.
The motion passed unanimously by acclamation.

- Management Committee, Stuart Farber, Chair
No action items.

9. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

- Forest Pest Council- No report given.
- Monitoring Study Group- Clay Brandow on FORPRIEM- The objective of the **Forest Practice Rules Implementation & Effectiveness Monitoring** (FORPRIEM) Program is to provide abundant data on the adequacy of the implementation and effectiveness of the California Forest Practice Rules (FPRs) specifically designed to protect water quality and riparian/aquatic habitat.
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee –Matt Dias.
The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. No action items.

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

10. Oaks, Fire, and Beetles: The Persistence of Vigilance at the Front Edge of Invading Species.
Tom Scott, UC Cooperative Extension

11. Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer (PSHB) and Other Pests Increase Risk of Fire in Natural Habitats
Tom Coleman, US Forest Service

12. Discussion of a possible Zone of Infestation for Sudden Oak Death for Western Trinity County.
Possible Action Item: The Board may adopt a new Zone upon recommendation of the Director.

5-14-6 Member Britting moved to adopt the Director's formal recommendations of the Zone of Infestation Resolution. Member Miles seconded the motion.

Amended and accepted by seconder: Add and append to April 9, 2014 resolution pertaining to Sudden Oak Death.

No public comment received.
Roll Call Vote

Andre	Aye
Wade	Aye
Husari	Aye
Miles	Aye
Farber	Aye
Rickert	Aye
Saito	Aye
Britting	Aye

Gilless Aye

The motion passed unanimously.

13. Discussion of a possible Emergency Adoption for the “Slash Rules, 2014” in response to the Department’s recommendations.

5-14-7 Member Gilless moved for a possible Emergency adoption for consideration for Slash Treatment Amendments, with a recommendation to write a letter to the Director. Member Wade seconded the motion.

No public comment received.

Roll Call Vote

Andre	Aye
Wade	Aye
Husari	Aye
Miles	Aye
Farber	Aye
Rickert	Aye
Saito	Aye
Britting	Aye
Gilless	Aye

The motion passed unanimously.

CONCLUSION

14. Public Forum.

Mr. Gienger commented on rate of harvest issues related to Elk River, and the need for AB 1492 funds to address restoration.

15. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

George D. Gentry
Executive Officer

Keith Gilless
Chairman

Copies of the attendance sheets can be obtained from the Board Office.