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## 2010 FRANCIS H. RAYMOND AWARD

The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection requests nominations for the **2010 Francis H. Raymond Award**. The award is given to the individual(s), organization, agency or company who has contributed the most to the management and increased awareness of California's forested resources over the past five years.

The award is named in honor of Francis H. Raymond, former State Forester and leading advocate of the passage of Assembly Bill 469 in 1972, which resulted in the Professional Foresters Licensing Law.

The recipient of the 2008-2009 Award was Professor Emeritus, William J. "Bill" Libby of Orinda. Dr. Libby was nominated and chosen to receive this award in recognition of his pioneering work in the field of forest tree genetics and contributions to decades of forestry students and fellow researchers. Dr. Libby has practiced forestry on several continents and is well known for his work with California's coast redwood and Monterey pine trees. Though he officially retired in 1994, Dr. Libby has continued to educate and enlighten across the borders of country and perspective. He currently sits on the Board of the Save the Redwoods League with a focus on promoting research on redwood forest disturbance effects and the impacts of climate change on California's coast redwood and giant sequoia forests.

Previous recipients of the Award include: Scott Johnson, former Chair of the California Forest Pest Council; Bill Dennison, former Plumas County Supervisor; John Nicoles of the Forestry Institute for Teachers; William Beaty of Beaty and Associates; The State Fire Safe Council; the Collins Pine Company; Ronald Adams and Sherman Finch of the Forestry Center at Cal Expo; The Quincy Library Group; Frank Barron of Crane Mills; Tad Mason of Pacific Wood Fuels; the late Gil Murray of the California Forestry Association; Kay Antunez of the Project Learning Tree program; Gary Nakamura of UC Cooperative Extension; Bud McCrary of Big Creek Lumber Company; Andy Lipkis of TreePeople; Norm Pillsbury of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo; John Zivnuska of UC Berkeley; Ray Rice of the US Forest Service; Peter Passof of UC Cooperative Extension; Roseburg Resources Company; the Redwood Region Conservation Council; Jim Jenkinson of the US Forest Service; and Nancy Inmon of the Trees Are For People program.

Nominations are due to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection by no later than **March 5, 2010**. The nominations will then be reviewed by the Board's nomination review committee. Upon a recommendation by the nomination review committee, the Award will be presented during a meeting of the Board. Direction on the suggested nomination format is provided on page 2 of this announcement.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the staff of the California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection at 916-653-8031 or by email to [eric.huff@fire.ca.gov](mailto:eric.huff@fire.ca.gov). Nominations may be posted to the attention of the FHR Nomination Review Committee, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460. Contributions to endow the Francis H. Raymond Award are greatly appreciated. The stipend that accompanies this Award depends on the interest earned from donations made to the Francis H. Raymond Fund.

## Suggested Francis H. Raymond Award Nomination Format

THERE IS NO ESTABLISHED FORMAT FOR THE SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS. THE NOMINEES MUST AGREE TO THE SUBMISSION OF THEIR NAME FOR CONSIDERATION. BASED ON PREVIOUS SUCCESSFUL NOMINATIONS, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE SUGGESTED FOR INCLUSION IN THE NOMINATION PACKET:

- A short introduction letter on nominator's letterhead.
- A narrative of the nominee's qualifications, educational background, work history and accomplishments. (The Award criteria dictates that the work of the past five years is the key to selection, irrespective of a long history of superior service or accomplishment)
- Letters of support from other individuals and organizations are important. A wide spectrum of support from diverse interests, including local politicians, has been a characteristic of previous successful nominees.
- Copies of newspaper or magazine articles on the nominee are key to supporting a nomination.
- Attach examples of the nominee's work and/or publications, if appropriate.
- Photographs may be helpful if they illustrate the extent of the nominee's dedication and accomplishment.
- **The key to the Award is effort above and beyond what is normally expected on the job.** Volunteer efforts, serving on committees, public service, etc., are important.
- The nomination committee requests the submission of five copies of the nomination packet. It is requested that all letters of support be included with the initial nomination, rather than submitted individually.

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