



Effectiveness Monitoring Committee (EMC) Request for Applicants

The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) invites public involvement in the formation of the Effectiveness Monitoring Committee (EMC). The goal of the EMC is to establish a collaborative, transparent, and science-based monitoring effort and process-based understanding of the effectiveness of the California Forest Practice Rules and other forestry-related laws and regulations on maintaining or enhancing water quality, aquatic habitat, and wildlife habitats. The EMC will provide the Board and the Natural Resources Agencies with a science-based committee to better understand if specific requirements in these laws and regulations are effective in achieving resource objectives, including the ecologic performance requirements of AB 1492. The EMC will act as a technical advisory committee to, and receive oversight from, the Board to develop and implement an effectiveness monitoring program that can provide an active feedback loop to policymakers, managers, agencies, and the public. The Board encourages applicants to review the EMC Charter, which is posted at:

http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board_committees/effectiveness_monitoring_committee_mission_goals/emc_charter_august_2013_final.pdf

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Applicants are requested to have scientific and natural resource professional backgrounds, and have demonstrated previous collaboration in resource monitoring or scientific studies. They should be capable of working collaboratively and developing work products in a timely manner. Applicants must have (1) expertise in hydrology, geology, fluvial geomorphology, aquatic ecology, fisheries, forestry, wildlife management, or resource monitoring and assessment; and (2) a working knowledge of the California Forest Practice Rules and forest management operations on private and state forestlands. EMC members shall be appointed by the Board from academia, landowners, professional consulting firms, industry, and the public. Agency representatives will act as consultants rather than direct members of the EMC. There is no compensation for service on this advisory group, but members will be reimbursed for their expenses in attending meetings to the extent that the law allows. EMC meetings will be open to the public and are expected to occur at least once every two months. Locations are unknown, but likely will include Sacramento, Redding, and Willits. Webinars will be used. For more information, contact George Gentry at: George.Gentry@fire.ca.gov or phone at (916) 653-8007.

HOW TO APPLY

Persons interested in serving on the EMC can apply by submitting a letter of interest (including demonstration of a working knowledge of the California Forest Practice Rules) and their résumé. Applications must be received or postmarked by **March 15, 2014**, and should be sent to:

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