

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT

Meeting Held March 3, 2009

Final minutes 4/2/09

1. **Meeting Attendance:**

Present: Pam Giacomini, Tom Walz, Bruce Saito, Gary Nakamura, Chris Zimny, Mark Stanley

2. **Agenda item #1: California Fire Plan update**

Mark Stanley gave an update on the Fire Plan Steering Committee and the three meetings that have been held. He said the Committee agreed this should be a California Plan not just a plan for SRA lands. Mr. Zimny and Mr. Gentry have written a draft strategic plan that contains preliminary fire plan update visions, goals and objectives along with compiled information from steering committee meetings.

Chair Giacomini indicated she would like the fire plan steering committee meeting minutes, distributed to the fire plan steering committee members and the RPC members after each meeting is held.

3. **Agenda item #2: Update on VTP EIR**

Mr. Jeff Stephens stated that there were no updates from last month. Withholding of bond funding has delayed additional work by the contractor on this project. Jeff has incorporated in the RPC subcommittee comments for chapters one, two and three and comment incorporation for Chapter 4 is nearly completed.

4. **Agenda item #3: Discussion and potential edits of Range Management Advisory Committee's revised white paper entitled, "State Owned Lands: A Discussion of their Acquisition and Recommendations for Sustaining Natural Resource Values."**

Chair Giacomini indicated that the RMAC letter was submitted to resources Secretary Chrisman and RPC will keep this paper on hold until she hears back from the Resources Agency.

Mr. Jeff Stephens distributed a handout to all Committee members regarding bond codes. This information came from Larry Camp, Internal

Revenue Service and from Brendan McCarthy, Senior Fiscal & Policy Analyst, Legislative Analyst's Office, California State Legislature.

5. **Agenda item #4: Review and discussion of the Resource Protection Work Calendar (Fire Emphasis).**

Mr. Zimny will revise the RPC Work Calendar and distribute to RPC members, as well as have copies available for the public at the April RPC meeting.

6 **Agenda item #5: New and unfinished Business.**

Chair Giacomini, asked to have Board Counsel Terri Ashby attend the April RPC meeting to interpret a legal opinion issued by her on potential changes that may be necessary for fire safe regulations to be certified.