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**BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION**

**Sacramento, CA**  
**May 13, 2015**

**BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**BOARD OF FORESTRY MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**BOARD STAFF:**

George Gentry, Executive Officer  
Matthew Dias, Executive Officer, Forester's Licensing  
Thembi Borrás, Regulations Coordinator  
Laura Alarcon-Stalians, Analyst  
Edith Hannigan, Analyst  
Linda Cano, Executive Assistant  
Stephen Lerner, Esq., Board Counsel

*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.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
May 12, 2015  
Time: 8:00 a.m.

**Location: Resources Auditorium**  
**1416 Ninth Street**  
**Sacramento, California**

**REGULAR SESSION**  
May 13, 2015  
Time: 9:00 a.m.

**Location: Resources Auditorium**  
**1416 Ninth Street**  
**Sacramento, California**

**Reconvene**

**Report of Actions Taken in Executive Session**

- a. Brown, et al. v. State of California, San Diego County Superior Court (Small Claims Division), Case No. 37-2014-00310580. Authorized appeal to appellate division of the Superior Court.
- b. Rancho Guejito Corp. v. Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al., San Diego County Superior Court, Case No. 27-2014-00027683: The Board's counsel provided the Board with an update regarding case status.

**Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings.**

Deferred

**MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS**

**Report of the Chairman.**

Reported that he would not be in attendance for the May 13, Board meeting, he will be representing the Board in San Francisco at the Western Forestry Leadership meeting. They will be touring the Tunnel Fire

**Report of the Director/Department.** Dave Teter Deputy Director Fire Protection

- Fire Stats January 1 – May 9, 2015: 1,278 fire, with 5,100 acres burned. It is a 69% increase above the average.
- The Department is ramping up for the 2015 fire season, 132 engines in the north with 6 helicopters fully staffed, air attack bases staffed with an airtanker an air attack aircraft. 135 engines in the south and were expected to be fully staffed May 18.
- Cal Fire hosted the annual Cal Fire Incident Management Training, over 300 Cal Fire, local government and federal cooperators in attendance. They also had the opportunity to meet and share with the USFS to discuss successes and challenges faced by both agencies.
- Cal Fire Executive team lead a very successful "Wildfire Awareness Week" across California carrying the message to media, VIP's, state, local and federal and elected officials of carrying the message to the residents and public of providing defense so the department can provide the offense.
- Academy YTD: Training 241 Fire Apparatus Engineers, Fire Captains, Heavy Equipment Operators and Foresters in the Company Officer Academy and anticipate training and additional 92 company officers.
- Firefighter Academy has trained 92 firefighters and anticipates a total of 460 company officers and firefighters trained by year end.

- Conservation Camp Program: The program is continuing to feel the impacts of Prop 47. There has been a decline in inmates entering the program. The Department is working with CDCR, assure adequate population levels at the Departments 39 camps.
- The Department along with Department of General services are reviewing Request for Information from helicopter manufacturers on their products to see if they meet the Departments specifications to replacing it's aging helicopter fleet.
- Cal Fire's Safety Program hosted a workshop April 22 and 23.
- Tactical Air Operations training have been completed with US Forest Service joint Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System and Cal Fire/U.S. Marine Corps Defense Support of Civilian Authority.
- Helge Eng reported on the drought and tree mortality, FCAT and WFMP, streamlining the THP form, and staffing within the Resource Management Program.

### **Report of the Regulations Coordinator.**

Thembi Borrás gave a status update on current and pending regulations.

Report of Executive Officer

- a. Update on the Lumber Assessment
- b. Annual Report.
- c. Legislation Update.

The executive officer reported on the issue of consideration of a local ordinance in Mendocino County related to dead trees and their removal.

### **Public Comment**

Mike Tadlock, commented with his concerns with that ordinance

### **Report of the Standing Committees.**

**No reports**

### **Report of Board's Advisory Committees**

- Forest Pest Council- Katie Harrell  
Forest Pest Conditions Report presentation
- Monitoring Study Group- Pete Cafferata
- Effectiveness Monitoring Committee- Stuart Farber
- Range Management Advisory Committee- Kevin Conway
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee –Matt Dias.

**05-15-01 Member Rickert moved to accept the RPF's requesting withdrawal of License. Member Wade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by acclamation.**

**05-15-02 Member Wade moved to accept Jason Poburko as a member of PFEC. Member Saito seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by acclamation.**

**Adjourn May 12 Session**

**REGULAR SESSION  
May 13, 2015**

**Location: Resources Auditorium  
1416 Ninth Street**

Time: Approximately noon

Sacramento, California

**05-15-03** Member Saito moved to authorize release, for 45-Day Notice, the regulation entitled, "SRA Fire Prevention Fee Exemption (Self-Certification of Home Loss), 2015" (as provided in the May 2015 Board Binder as RPC 2.0). Member Wade seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried 7-0 with one absent

**05-15-04** Member Rickert moved to adopt the findings pursuant to the Proposed Emergency Action for the regulation entitled, "Protection of Habitable Structures Exemption, 2015". Member Saito seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried 7-0 with one absent

**05-15-05** Member Miles moved to adopt, as an Emergency, the regulation entitled, "Protection of Habitable Structures Exemption, 2015", with the following edit, to move the sentence, "The requirements of this subsection shall not supersede the requirements of PRC § 4291.", from line 5 on page 3 to line 15 on page 2. Member Wade seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried 7-0 with one absent

**05-15-06** Member Miles moved to amend the previously adopted regulation entitled, "Protection of Habitable Structures Exemption, 2015", by removing the reference to the expiration date on page 4 line 21 and renumbering subparagraph (G) to subparagraph (F). Member Wade seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried 7-0 with one absent

**05-15-07** Member Miles moved to authorize release, for 45-Day Notice, the regulation entitled, "Protection of Habitable Structures Exemption, 2015" (as provided in the May 2015 Board Binder as FPC 1.0), with the following edit, to move the sentence,

“The requirements of this subsection shall not supersede the requirements of PRC § 4291.”, from line 5 on page 3 to line 15 on page 2. Member Wade seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried 7-0 with one absent

**CONCLUSION**

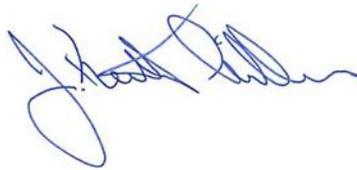
**Public Forum**

No comment received

**New and Unfinished business. Adjournment.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:



George D. Gentry  
Executive Officer

Keith Gilless  
Chair

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