BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION MEETING MINUTES

Sacramento, CA

March 22, 2021

# **BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION MEMBERS**:

## **Present**:

* Keith Gilless, Chair
* Katie Delbar
* Rich Wade
* Marc Los Huertos
* Darcy Wheeles
* Chris Chase
* Susan Husari
* Mike Jani

# **BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

* Matt Dias, Executive Officer
* Eric Hedge, Regulations Program Manager
* Dan Stapleton, Licensing Officer
* Jeff Slaton, Board Counsel
* Deniele Cade, Staff Analyst, Licensing
* Andrew Lawhorn, Forestry Assistant II
* Edith Hannigan, Land Use Planning Program Manager
* Robert Roth, Attorney IV­­­­
* Claire McCoy, Environmental Planner
* Sara Walter, AGPA
* Katie Harrell, Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation
* Linda Cano, Executive Assistant

# **DEPARTMENTAL STAFF PRESENT**:

* Daniel Berlant, Assistant Deputy Director, State Fire Marshal

**MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS**

* **Report of the Chairman, Dr. Keith Gilless**

Chair Gilless thanked participants for attending this meeting regarding the draft Minimum Fire Safe Standards. Formal comment on the proposed rulemaking starts when the Board decides to move forward with a 45-day rulemaking notice. He appreciates all the input during the informal consultative process during the workshops and Board meetings.

* **Report of the Land Use Planning Program Manager-** The Board’s Land Use Planning Program Manager, Edith Hannigan, reported on the draft Minimum Fire Safe Standards. She reviewed the draft rule text for consideration by the Board for the rulemaking effort entitled “State Minimum Fire Safe Standards, 2021” (14 CCR §§ 1270.00 -1276.07).

Agency Comment

* Daniel Berlant -- Assistant Deputy Director, State Fire Marshal

Public Comment

* Wendy-Sue Rosen -- SAFR (State Alliance of Fire Safe Road Regulations)
* Robert Lawton -- Mono County Administrative Officer
* Rob Eastwood -- Santa Clara County, Deputy Director of Department of Planning and Development
* Paula Daneluk -- Butte County; Director of Development Services
* Moke Simon – Lake County Board of Supervisors, District 1
* Miles Menetrey – Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
* Lisa Lai – private citizen, cannabis community advocate
* Randy Fletcher – Yuba County Board of Supervisors, District 5
* Angela McFarlane – private citizen, Santa Cruz County landowner and CZU 2020 wildfire victim
* Katie Simmons – Town of Paradise, Disaster Recovery Director
* J.M. Brown – Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, Analyst representing Chair Bruce McPherson
* Lee Adams – Sierra County Board of Supervisors, Chair
* John Stonebraker – Upper Ridge Community Council, Magalia CA [unincorporated Butte County]
* Jeremy Brown – Trinity County Board of Supervisors
* Geri Byrne – Modoc County Board of Supervisors
* Edward Kiernan – Siskiyou County, County Counsel
* Douglas Oliver – Calaveras County, Chief Building Official
* Ryan Campbell – Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors, Chair
* Diane Mattlock – private citizen, Santa Cruz Mountains
* Diane Dillon – Napa County Board of Supervisors
* Dennis Townsend – Tulare County Board of Supervisors
* Eddie Crandell – Lake County Board of Supervisors
* Deborah Eppstein – no affiliation stated
* David Griffith – Alpine County Board of Supervisors
* Chris Howard – Del Norte County Board of Supervisors, Chair
* Catherine Freeman – California State Association of Counties
* Arthur Wylene – Rural County Representatives of California
* Amy Miyakusu – Santa Cruz County, Analyst for Supervisor Manu Koenig
* Craig Harrison – no affiliation stated
* Sika Roman – no affiliation stated
* Trisha Tillotson – Nevada County, Director of Public Works
* Walter Wood – private citizen, landowner and cannabis farmer
* Sam De la Paz – no affiliation stated
* Robin Greenburg – Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, President
* Tom Wheeler – Madera County Board of Supervisors
* Rick Dean – Siskiyou County, Director of Community Development
* Rachelle Kellogg – City of Sonora, Community Development Director
* Mike Novo – Monterey County, Department of Housing and Community Development
* Marylee Guinon – no affiliation stated
* Gary Bridges – Lassen County Board of Supervisors

**03-21-01 Member Wheeles moved to authorize Board staff to submit the rulemaking entitled “State Minimum Fire Safe Standards, 2021” for noticing of the 45-day Comment Period and take all appropriate actions consistent with the Administrative Procedure Act for this purpose, including preparation and submission of the Notice of Proposed Action and Initial Statement of Reasons. Chair Gilless seconded.**

**Roll Call:**

**Wade aye**

**Husari no**

**Jani aye**

**Delbar aye**

**Wheeles aye**

**Los Huertos no**

**Chase aye**

**Gilless aye**

**The motion passed.**

# CONCLUSION

**Public Forum**

No comments were made.

## Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Signature of Matt Dias, Executive Officer

Matthew Dias

Executive Officer

Keith Gilless

Chair