# BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION J. Keith Gilless, Chair

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# MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: April 26, 2019

## **FULL BOARD:**

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Time: 8:30 a.m.

May 9, 2019 2085 Business Lane

Chico, CA 95928

**Honey Run Hall** 

**Location: Oxford Suites** 

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REGULAR SESSION Location: Oxford Suites

Time: 9:00 a.m.

May 9, 2019

2085 Business Lane
Chico, CA 95928

**COMMITTEES:** 

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE Big Chico Creek Room

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. 2085 Business Lane May 7, 2019 Chico, CA 95928

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Location: Oxford Suites

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Honey Run Hall
May 7, 2019 2085 Business Lane
Chico, CA 95928

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
Time: 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Honey Run Hall
2085 Business Lane

Chico, CA 95928

FIELD TOUR:

Time: 8:00 a.m.

May 8, 2019

See Additional Information for Field

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Tour, including RSVP instructions, Chico, CA 95926

located on page 2.

The Board's Mission:

# **Additional Information on Field Tour:**

- Please be certain to wear appropriate footwear for light hiking.
- Please be sure to bring sufficient amounts of water and sunscreen.
- Lunch is not provided.
- Buses will be provided for field tour participants to limit the number of vehicles in transit.

RSVP INSTRUCTIONS: All persons attending the field tour are requested to RSVP to Linda Cano, Executive Assistant, with the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection by <u>5:00 p.m. on May 2, 2019</u>. This is necessary to assure that appropriate accommodations for transport of tour participants are provided. Ms. Cano can be reached via phone at (916) 653-8007 or via email at <u>Linda.Cano@bof.ca.gov</u>.

Field Tour Agenda		
8:00 am	Ramada Inn, Chico CA 685 Manzanita Ct. Chico, CA 95926	Introductions and Departure
8:45 am – 9:30 am	Fire Station 81, Paradise	Discussion of the Camp Fire's behavior and the conditions that enabled rapid and widespread fire growth.
9:40 am – 10:25 am	Pentz Road Corridor	Point of entry of the Camp Fire into Paradise and site of concern for evacuations. Feather River Hospital.
10:30 am – 11: 00 am	Coutolenc Road, Magalia	Fuel reduction efforts completed by Butte Co. Fire Safe Council near Feather River Retirement Center
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Paradise Lake	Fuel reduction project - Paradise Irrigation District and USFS – PNF land and contributed to reducing fire intensity and protecting the Firhaven subdivision.
12:00 pm – 12:40 pm	Paradise Lake	Lunch
1:00 pm – 1:45 pm	SPI Fuel Break	Fuel break on SPI land.
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Magalia	Tour the community of Magalia
3:20 pm – 4:00 pm	Down Skyway into Paradise	Concentration of homes that survived the fire in northwest Paradise.
4:15 pm – 4:45 pm	Lookout Point that Oversees Butte Creek Canyon	Pass through downtown Paradise and begin the trip back to Chico, stopping at a lookout point between Chico and Paradise to look down into Butte Creek Canyon.
5:00 pm	Ramada Inn, Chico	Wrap Up and Closing Remarks.

## **BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

### (Please refer to page 1 of this notice and agenda for meeting times and locations)

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Adjourn to Executive Session.

**Executive Session:** (Closed to the Public) Discussion of matters pursuant to Government Code section 11126, including pending litigation (subd. (e)), potential disciplinary actions (subd. (f)(2)), licensing matters and examinations (subd. (c)(1)-(2)), administrative adjudication proceedings (subd. (c)(3)), and public employee hiring and evaluation (subd. (a)(1)). (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) **Possible Action Items.** The Board will discuss:

- Coast Action Group vs. California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Case No. RG17860755)
- b) Board Consideration of the Proposed Decision for CP-18-14 Buchanan

### **REGULAR SESSION**

- 3. Reconvene.
- 4. Announcement of Action(s) Taken in Executive Session.
- 5. Consent Calendar Items: Consent items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. It is recommended that the Board adopt these items without discussion. If any interested party, Member of the Board, or staff member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it will be considered separately. Possible Action Items.
  - a) Approval of March 2019 and April 2019 Board Meeting Minutes (with minor edits if requested by members of the Board); and
  - b) Review of the Board's Rulemaking Matrix.

### MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

- 6. Report of the Chairman, Dr. Keith Gilless
- 7. Report of the Director, Thomas Porter
- 8. Report of Deputy Secretary of Forest Resource Management, Jessica Morse
- 9. **Report of Executive Officer.** The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
  - a) Legislative Update
  - b) Staffing Update
  - c) Budget Update
- 10. **Report of the Standing Committees**. Committee Chairpersons will report on the items discussed from Committee meetings. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

- a) Forest Practice Committee Rich Wade, Chair
- b) Management Committee Chris Chase, Chair
- c) Resource Protection Susan Husari, Chair

# 11. Report of Board's Advisory Committees.

a) Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation – Katie Harrell, Joint Institute Program Analyst

## SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

- 12. Initial Hearing: "Registered Professional Forester and Certified Specialty Amendments, 2019." The purpose of the proposed action is to provide clarity in the regulatory provisions applicable to both RPFs and Certified Specialists. Additionally, clarity has been improved with regards to the disciplinary process and professional standards and responsibilities for RPFs, the CRM specialty and any future specialties that may be approved by the Board for a private society or public agency. Possible Action Items.
- 13. **Initial Hearing: "Fire Safety Survey, 2019."** The proposed action would provide a clear, direct, and standardized subdivision identification process that maximizes efficiency, provides transparency to the regulated public, and is utilized effectively to prevent property and life losses in the wildland-urban interface due to fire. As a result, this regulatory action will have a positive effect on the protection of public health and safety, worker safety, and the environment. **Possible Action Items.**

### **CONCLUSION**

1. Public Forum.

Members of the public in attendance may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the Chairman. Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called. Note that the Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the public forum period, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. [Government Code §§ 11125, 11125.7(a).]

2. Adjournment

## (Please refer to page 1 of this notice and agenda for committee meeting time and location)

### **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

- 1. Discussion on the Potential Revision of Stocking Standards within 14 CCR 913 et. seq.
- 2. Discussion of status of "Exemption Emergency Regulations, 2019" 14 CCR 1038 et. seq.
- 3. Discussion of potential revisions to 14 CCR § 1401.1(d) within "State Forest Regulations, 2018"
- 4. Discussion of potential revision to Categorical Exemptions within 14 CCR § 1153

### FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING

- 1. Update on Reporting to Legislature on Exemptions and Emergency Notices (PRC § 4589)
- 2. Discussion of Regulatory Amendments to 14 CCR § 1052.4 "Emergency Notice for Fuel Hazard Reduction"
- Discussion of the Development of Non-Regulatory Action Supporting the Use of Feller-Bunchers within a Watercourse and Lake Protection Zone (WLPZ) under Specified Best Management Practices
- 4. California Department of Fish and Wildlife Presentation: Addressing Botanical Resources in the California Forest Practice Rule, Randi Adair, Senior Environmental Scientist

### RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

- 1. Review of Existing Board Fire Protection Policies (commencing with Policy 0340)
- Discussion and Review of Existing Board Regulations for Utility Right of Way 14 CCR §§ 1250 -1258

**Note:** The Forest Practice, Management, or Resource Protection Committees may continue discussion of items included in their agendas, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

# **BOARD MEETING INFORMATION**

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact Matt Dias, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: <a href="http://bof.fire.ca.gov/business/meeting-agendas-and-annual-schedules/">http://bof.fire.ca.gov/business/meeting-agendas-and-annual-schedules/</a>. For other meeting materials and to sign up for webinars, go to: <a href="http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/">http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/</a>.

### **WEBCAST**

The Full Board, Committee, and/or Workshop meetings will be accessible via live webcast. Board members will be in attendance at the meetings' noticed locations, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at <a href="http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/">http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/</a>. Audio recordings of the full Board meeting may be preserved and available on the Board's website. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video recordings of its Board meetings and/or audio recordings of its committee meetings or Workshops. The physical meetings will continue if the webinar broadcast is interrupted or terminated for any reason. Public comments on agenda items may be accepted via live webcast if feasible, and if the comments are concise and limited in number. Please see the section on Submission of Written Materials for information on submitting a written comment.

### PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals who, because of a disability, need special assistance to attend or participate in a State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection meeting may request assistance at the Board Office, 1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA. 95814 or by calling (916) 653-8007. Requests should be made one week in advance whenever possible. These facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities.

## **SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS**

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. The Board may accept written materials as public comment on agenda items if feasible and if received prior to the deadline below. However, to ensure a public comment is considered by the Board during the discussion of the agenda item, please attend the meeting and provide the comment directly to the Board. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary):

E-mail: publiccomments@bof.ca.gov

Fax: (916) 653-0989

**U.S. mail:** Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

PO Box 944246

Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

All written materials shall be due no later than 12:00 p.m. the Thursday before the Board meeting, unless there is a date specified on a specific hearing notice pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with § 11340), Part 1, Division 3, Title 2, of the Government Code). Timely submittal of written materials provides Board staff and Board members the opportunity to familiarize themselves with content of written documents. Written materials received after the deadline above will not be considered. Written materials submitted may be posted online by Board staff to allow for public inspection. All written materials submitted will be considered part of the public record.

### SPEAKING AT THE FULL BOARD MEETING

If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a "Speaker Card" and give it to Board staff **BEFORE** the agenda item is heard. Cards will be available near the entrance of the meeting room. If you wish to speak on a non-agenda item within the Board's jurisdiction during the Public Forum period of the Board meeting, please see the Public Forum section of this agenda.

- Individuals with a shared position are encouraged to select a spokesperson for their group.
- Individuals who sign up by the deadline will have a maximum of three minutes to speak.
- The three-minute speaking time may be amended by the Chair, depending on the number of speakers. A speaker may not cede time to another speaker. The total amount of time to be allotted to a comment period is based upon the number of those wishing to comment, and will be announced by the Chair prior to the beginning of the comment period.
- The order of speakers will generally be based on random selection, but public officials may be taken out of order.
- The Chair retains the right to stop any speaker who raises an issue that is not under the Board's jurisdiction.
- Beverages, food, and sticks or any other objects with handles are strictly prohibited.
   Larger signs, or signs with handles, may be left in the area between the auditorium entrance and the security screening for retrieval after the meeting.
- Speakers may bring written copies of their own comments to the Board meeting for distribution to the Members of the Board. Copies of the written comments shall be given to the Clerk of the Board who will ensure the appropriate distribution of the comments. Please provide eleven (11) copies.
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.
- The Board reserves the right to override the above rules in case of emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.

# WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Board begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed; however, the Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits. The Board may also act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.

# **VISUAL PRESENTATIONS**

PowerPoint presentations must be provided on a USB flash drive, flash memory card, or DVD and can be provided to Board staff the day the presentation is being given. <u>All presentations are considered part of the public record</u>. All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible. It is recommended that a hard copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.