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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: August 9, 2019

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Time: 8:30 a.m.
August 21, 2019**

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

REGULAR SESSION

**Time: 9:00 a.m.
August 21, 2019**

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

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

**Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
August 20, 2019**

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

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
August 20, 2019**

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

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

**Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
August 20, 2019**

**Location: Room 950 Sequoia Room
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California**

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.

BOARD 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:

- a) Coast Action Group vs. California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Case No. RG17860755)
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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 June and July 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 Gillless**
7. **Report of the Director, Thomas W. Porter**
8. **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) California Vegetation Treatment Program Draft PEIR Update
 - b) Discussion of Wood Products Siting Project as Mandated by AB 2518
 - c) Discussion of CAL FIRE Fuel Treatments and Fire Effects Monitoring Program Plan
 - d) Legislative Update
 - e) RMAC – Workshop September 16th
9. **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 – Darcy Wheelles, Chair

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

10. **Presentation: State Responsibility Area Review 2020 Update;** Daniel Berlant, CAL FIRE/OSFM Assistant Deputy Director, Office of State Fire Marshal and Scott Witt, CAL FIRE/OSFM Deputy Chief, Fire Plan and Prevention Grants
11. **Presentation: California Society of American Foresters (SAF) Position Statement on Wildland Fire,** Nick Dennis, Member of SAF
12. **Initial Hearing: “Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan Amendments, 2019” (14 CCR § 1090 et. seq.)** - The purpose of the proposed action is to: 1) clarify and effectuate revised statute PRC § 4593, pursuant to SB 901 (2018), in the regulations to add provisions for multiple landowners; 2) to allow the use of exemptions pursuant to 14 CCR § 1038 et seq. within the footprint of an NTMP; and 3) to update the mapping standards. **Possible Action Items.**
13. **Initial Hearing: “Stocking and Silvicultural Standards Amendments, 2019.”** The proposed action seeks to revise stocking and resource conservation standards and requirements to address various ecological goals through the amendment of regulations. **Possible Action Items.**
14. **Initial Hearing: “Permanent Post-Fire Recovery Exemption, 2019.”** The purpose of the proposed action is to provide a permanent regulatory exemption from portions of the Forest Practice Act for the harvesting of dead and dying trees, which have been damaged by wildfire and are within 300 feet of certain structures, in addition to other conditional requirements. **Possible Action Items.**

CONCLUSION

15. 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).]

16. 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 §§ 913.8 and 927 *et. seq.*
2. Discussion on the Potential Revision of Basal Area Stocking Standards within 14 CCR 913 *et. seq.*
3. Discussion of issues surrounding Limited Timber Operators License and Timber Operator Education.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Update on Reporting to Legislature on Exemptions and Emergency Notices (PRC § 4589)
2. 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.
3. Discussion of existing Forest Practice Rules within 14 CCR §§ 914.2[934.2, 954.2], and 914.3[934.3, 954.3] pertaining to limitations on the use of ground-based equipment in cable and tractor yarding areas, and discussion of potential regulatory or non-regulatory actions.
4. Discussion on the permitting of timber operations conducted pursuant to 14 CCR § 1104.1(a) within WLPZs.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Safety Element Review
 - a. City of Berkeley
 - b. City of Santa Paula
 - c. County of Mariposa
 - d. County of Tuolumne
2. Review of Proposed Rule Text and ISOR for Vegetation Clearance of Utility Infrastructure 14 CCR § 1250 *et. seq.*

Note: The Standing 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:

<http://bof.fire.ca.gov/business/meeting-agendas-and-annual-schedules/>. For other meeting materials and to sign up for webinars, go to: <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>.

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 <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>. 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 9th 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. **All presentations are considered part of the public record.** 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.