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## BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION PROFESSIONAL FORESTERS EXAMINING COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

Please use a separate sheet for each nominee. Additional sheets are available upon request. Mail, FAX or Email as follows: MAIL: Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, PFEC Nomination, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460. FAX: (916) 653-0989. EMAIL: dan.stapleton@bof.ca.gov

1.	Name of Nominee: James R Christian Eggleton
2.	Nominee Address:
3.	Nominee Telephone: Work: Home:
4.	Category of Membership: (Public/Consultant) Consultant
5.	Brief resume of the nominee's background and qualifications which qualify him/her for the Committee. (Attach additional sheets if needed)
	After having graduated from UC Berkeley with a BA in Environmental Economics and Policy (2008) and Masters of City and Regional Planning (2010), Mr. Eggleton has gained a wide range of experience having worked in consulting forestry for approximately 9 years. He is the co-founder of Forest Resource Solutions and Technologies, a forestry consulting company, which was established January 2018. His experience in forestry has included extensive GIS integration for forest and utility vegetation management, field forestry techniques including layout, marking, and cruising, invasive plant management, CalFire permit composition including THPs and NTMPs, inventory design and implementation including sale preparation, appraisal, growth and yield modelling, and carbon quantification. He obtained his CA RPF license in January 2019 (#3073), is an ISA Certified Arborist (WE-10581A), and is an accredited Lead Verifier for US Forest Projects for the CA ARB carbon offset program (H2-18-220). He has spent years managing and training in a consulting forestry setting and, along with his wife Andrea (RPF #3003), has built a forestry consulting company that currently has seven employees. Mr. Eggleton is also a member of the CA Licensed Foresters Association, the Association of Consulting Foresters, and the Grass Valley Rotary Club.
6.	Why do you think the nominee should be selected for the PFEC?
	Please see the attached letter.
7.	PRINT name of Nominator: <u>Matt Greene</u>
	SIGNATURE of nominator: MANAY
8.	Address of Nominator:
9.	Telephone Number of Nominator: Work Home:
10	. Group you represent, if any: N/A
Nominations must be received no later than August 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.	

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July 29, 2019

Board of Forestry and Fire Protection PFEC Nomination Attn: Dan Stapleton P.O. Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

RE: PFEC Nomination of Christian Eggleton

Dear Mr. Stapleton and Members of the PFEC

My name is Matt Greene and I am a consulting RPF in Sonoma County. I have spent my entire career on the consulting side of forestry here in California. I have been an active member of the California Licensed Foresters Association (CLFA) for 18 years now and served on the Board of Directors for 5 years. I am also a member of the Association of Consulting Foresters (ACF) California Chapter. These two organizations represent the bulk of forestry consultants (as well as most RPFs statewide) in the development and continuing education skills in California as well as representing the license.

It has been with these two organizations that I have come to know Mr. Eggleton. His knowledge and skills with technology in forestry have made him an individual that I turn to when I have questions. I put a lot of weight into people's opinions when they are actively putting various technologies into action and willing to share these issues with others to learn from.

In the last two years Mr. Eggleton and his wife have begun their own consulting business and I have talked with them about business issues, GIS (and other technological developments) and other issues which consultants experience. I am impressed at their drive and forethought as well as their knowledge of what it takes to be a consulting forester in California's tough small business climate. While Mr. Eggleton is young and recently licensed, he has other qualities which I admire and fully support in this nomination; primarily that of motivation, talking with peers when he has questions, and honesty. I think that each of these qualities are important to a

consultant especially when building a business. With so many consultants out there, one doesn't need to reinvent the wheel, but they do need to ask questions.

I have yet to have the opportunity to view first hand their projects or work with them on one, however I am quite impressed with the client base that they have built up in a short period of time. I know that they are working for some prominent NGOs, doing carbon verification projects, working within Cal Fire's CFIP program and the NRCS's EQUIP program as well as administering timber harvest sales and timber inventories for private landowners.

This broad range of work is what a consulting forester does and why a consultant can be such a valuable member of the PFEC. Doug Ferrer was an incredibly valuable member to the PFEC and I think that while Christian may be young in his career, he is being exposed to these other types of projects which many current members of the PFEC may not have much daily contact with. The carbon projects in particular may become a very large focus of forestry in California in the future and to have a member who has experience in this topic will be valuable to draw upon.

I think the final thing I will leave you with is the following; the Association of Consulting Foresters recently had our spring meeting and BOF Chair Gilless asked our membership to consider nominating someone for the vacant seat with the PFEC. Christian is the only one which I am aware of who has thrown their hat in the ring. This says a lot when you consider the members of the Association and their long history in this state of practicing forestry. He is the only one who has stood up for the request and is willing to volunteer his valuable time. As a consultant to volunteer several days a year, this is a large investment in the profession when there is very little economic return or when there isn't a larger entity supporting their time. As a consultant, this is time which he can't bill for and thus it is truly an investment in the profession.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Sincerely,

Matt Greene, RPF #2747