

RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2020 PRIORITIES

Mission of RMAC

1. **Objective 1: Consider matters related to California's rangelands that are under consideration by the Secretaries, the Board, or Federal agencies:** *Offer advice and consultation and recommend appropriate policy measures or administrative actions.*

Action Items:

- i. Distribute an annual call for priorities in October and consider prioritization of items prior to the end of the calendar year.
- ii. Provide recommendations as needed orally or as written comment.

2. **Objective 2(a):**

- a. **Aid in the growth and development of CRMs:** *Assist in coordinating efforts to supply existing CRMs with continuing education and guidance documents.*

Action Items:

- i. Collaborate with Cal Pac SRM to establish guidance for plan development by CRMs.
 1. Consider the development of plan templates for particular types of projects.
 2. Develop a white paper addressing RDM and its current applications in a time of increased fire activity.
- ii. Facilitate continuing education opportunities in collaboration with UCCE, Cal Pac SRM, and other groups in rangeland science.

- b. **Aid in the growth and development of the CRM Program:** *Grow the number of CRM license holders available to perform consulting work and develop increased opportunities for license holders to collaborate with Registered Professional Foresters and other land management experts.*

Action Items:

- i. Collaborate with Cal Pac SRM to develop and conduct outreach to potential CRMs.
- ii. Utilize the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's Licensing News and other outlets to share new rangeland science and opportunities for collaboration between specialties.

3. **Objective 2(b): Share information with State and Federal agencies regarding rangeland science and management:** *Cultivate relationships with State and Federal agencies which facilitate consistent dialogue regarding rangeland health issues.*

Action Items:

- i. Collaborate with UCCE and other rangeland science organizations to host workshops on important topics related to rangeland science

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which are accessible to State and Federal partners as well as the general public.

- ii. Remain aware of agency activities which may impact rangelands and request that input from RMAC be considered on such projects or activities.
- iii. Respond to requests for advising on program development or changes related to rangeland resources.

4. **Objective 3: Consult on the Development and Implementation of the Noxious Weeds Program:** *Provide expertise to inform the development of the Noxious Weeds Program.*

Action Items:

- i. Have an RMAC member or staff person attend each development meeting hosted by the California Department of Food and Agriculture to provide input on program development.
- ii. Monitor for additional opportunities for engagement with this program.

5. **Objective 4: Monitor for issues in rangeland science and management:** *Convene groups of experts to address gaps and issues as they arise.*

Action Items:

- i. Identify relevant issues and data gaps in rangeland science and management for consideration by the professional and scientific community.
- ii. Maintain working relationships with key experts in rangeland science and management and communicate the issues identified in (i) to these individuals, linking experts with different organizations and groups as appropriate.