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## Licenses, Certificates and Degree

- ❖ Registered Professional Forester #3174
- ❖ CalFire Certified Cultural Resource Surveyor
- ❖ TCIA Certified Treecare Safety Specialist
- ❖ ISA Certified Arborist
- ❖ B.S. Environmental Studies, SJSU

## Professional Expertise

- ❖ Forestry
- ❖ Fire Ecology
- ❖ Resource Monitoring and Sampling

# Givonne G. Law

Fuels Reduction Coordinator

Walnut Creek, California, United States

## Summary

I am a CA State licensed forester that is working towards taking a more active role in the evaluation and development of legislation governing State and privately-owned forest lands in California. My role as Forester with a regional park district has introduced me to the potential of monitoring forestry and fuels management with standardized monitoring methodology and scientific rigor to increase the pace and scale of producing quality scientific monitoring results that can be utilized in adaptive management.

## Experience

### East Bay Regional Parks District

Fuels Reduction Coordinator

October 2021 - Present (2 years 9 months)

In my role, I manage hazardous wildland fuels reduction projects, including planning, organizing, developing, directing, and administering fuel reduction contracts for tree and brush removal. I work as part of a team that coordinates a complex and difficult program in the area of resources management and fire protection, while enhancing parkland and open space resources. In addition, I advise on forestry-related matters to multiple departments, including inventory design, research, monitoring and efficacy study design and contract oversight, and permitting.

### Davey Resource Group, Inc.

Project Manager of Traditional Forestry

March 2016 - September 2021 (5 years 7 months)

San Ramon, CA

I was contracting with PG&E and California Fire Safe Councils on projects requiring oversight of forested areas. I prepared for the CA Registered Professional Forester exam and was working under the oversight of other DRG RPFs.

I led a small team of dedicated professionals in similar roles, focusing with them on safety, job-specific training, administrative needs and program coordination.

Some projects I worked on include:

- Vegetation management for PG&E gas construction projects.

- HazMat response for the 2018 Camp Fire, focusing on hazardous tree assesment.
- Consulting arborist for CalTrans in the Central Valley area.
- Urban tree planting coordination for the City of Monterrey: 150 trees planted along recreation areas and in parks, including the City's new Christmas Tree (a 72" box Cedrus deodara).
- Residential and commercial landscape design and coordination from San Louis Obispo up to San Rafael.
- Irrigation design and coordination, including projects that had to comply with new MWELo regulations.
- Habitat restoration/revegetation design and coordination in San Benito County and Santa Cruz County.
- Subject Matter Expert for PG&E ROW Stewardship Council accreditation: took part in the auditing process to represent Restoration.
- Worked with multiple County, State, and City agencies, including CA DFW, CalTrans, and the CA Coastal Commission, to create restoration designs and oversee tree installations.

Pinebrook Villas Home Owners Association  
 President of Board, Head of Landscaping and Grounds  
 January 2015 - October 2016 (1 year 10 months)  
 Walnut Creek, CA

I was the President of the Board and the Head of Landscaping. As the head of landscaping I have overseen landscaping projects, I created a 5-year tree care plan for the grounds and was a participant in the development of a water conservation plan for the community.

PIER 39  
 Landscaper  
 September 2013 - March 2016 (2 years 7 months)

I was responsible for the design, installation, and maintenance of the rotating landscapes around Pier 39. I was also involved in operations and sustainability practices.

The American Energy Society  
 Community Manager  
 January 2013 - January 2014 (1 year 1 month)  
 San Francisco, CA

At AES, I was responsible for taking care of network member's needs, from the time when they first on board till they are fully capable of using the

site. In addition, I was creating networks within the larger network to spark conversations for AES members and foster new connections for them within their industries.

### Save Mount Diablo

#### GIS Volunteer

May 2013 - September 2013 (5 months)

Walnut Creek, CA

I have developed the GIS database at SMD while working with the land stewardship team. I am now creating custom maps for management plans.

### Coastside Land Trust

#### Development Intern

January 2013 - August 2013 (8 months)

Half Moon Bay, CA

I have joined the development team at CLT to help them raise funds to conserve open space, agricultural and coastal lands in and around Half Moon Bay, CA. I am assisting in development opportunity research, grant inquiry and proposals, event help, and general office data entry.

### The Shaw Group

#### Junior Biologist

June 2012 - October 2012 (5 months)

I worked as a Specialty Environmental Monitor on the SFPUC Peninsula Region Water Improvement Program. I did the following activities on a daily basis:

- Monitor construction activities for the SFPUC restoration project in San Mateo County, CA.
- Conduct pre-construction surveys and monitored for special status species, such as the San Francisco garter snake, the Western pond turtle, the California red legged frog, the dusky footed wood rat, common yellow throats, and nesting birds.
- Survey for plants that indicate critical habitat of certain special status species, such as the Bay Checkerspot Butterfly and the Mission Blue Butterfly.
- Gaining handling experience with the California red-legged frog, the Western pond turtle, and the dusky footed wood rat, as well as many other species found during surveying and monitoring activities.
- Write environmental reports on a daily basis detailing the surveying, monitoring, and training activities that were done that day, as well as making special note of any special status species seen and/or handled.

Santa Cruz Predatory Bird Research Group  
Peregrine Falcon Prey Analyst and Camera Operator Intern  
April 2012 - June 2012 (3 months)  
San Jose, CA

I worked with Glen R. Stewart of the SCPBRG on a prey analysis study of the peregrine falcon nest in San Jose, CA. I and a group of other interns collected data on the frequency and estimated size of prey delivered to the chicks atop San Jose City Hall in the Spring of 2012. I was responsible for a portion of the data collection, which involved nest camera operation. I was also responsible for the analysis of the data and creation of the final graphs, which will be published on Glen Stewart's website in the near future.

Our City Forest  
Tree Nursery Technician  
June 2009 - May 2010 (1 year)  
San Jose, CA

At Our City Forest, under an Americorp contract, I performed work in the native plant nursery, such as tree pruning, irrigation maintenance, plant propagation, and general labor. Once a week, I organized and led volunteers on volunteer work days in the nursery. Along with work in the nursery, I collected plant propagation materials in local open spaces by identifying the proper plants and collecting the proper parts of the plant for propagation efforts. In the office, I helped with data entry of neighborhood tree planting and care information, and I assisted in the maintenance of the office computers.