



Director's Report to the Board of Forestry

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Resource Management

Forest Practice Program

Forest Practice Administration/Forest Practice GIS/CalTrees

- The Draft Timber Harvesting Plan Checklist required by Public Resources Code Section 4592.5 [AB 2889] has been circulated for external stakeholder and agency review. Once review and any editorial revisions are complete, the revised draft document will be elevated to CAL FIRE Executive for final review and authorization.
- Staff recently participated in the Board's field day in the Humboldt-Del Norte Unit to examine timber management and fuels reduction permitting concerns in the Coastal Zone.
- Program staff have several Timberland Conversion Permits in various states of review, including a hospital expansion in Plumas County and a ski resort in Placer County among others.
- A hyperlink will be installed on the CalTREES website that will allow users to easily connect to the Forest Practice GIS Program's Forest Practice Data Hub and Timber Harvest Viewer applications.
- Program staff continue to finalize the processes necessary for the CalTREES Data Governance Group to ensure maintenance of user contact data integrity following the recent merging of the reference contact and licensee databases.

Watershed Protection Program

- The Forest Practice Biology Division has been engaged in review and consideration of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's pending status determination for two distinct population segments of California Spotted Owl. This includes consideration of the timber and fuels management implications of the proposed "4d Rule" for the Sierra Nevada Distinct Population Segment and the proposed absence of a 4d Rule for the Coastal-Southern California Distinct Population Segment.
- Program staff were assigned to assist IMT 3 with hydrologic forecasting and remote sensing work on the Tulare Flooding Mission Tasking.

Forest Practice Enforcement and Timber Operator Licensing (LTO)

- The following tables summarize LTO and Enforcement activities since the last report:

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Table 1: Forest Practice Civil Penalty Collection

Case Status	# Of Cases	Amount Collected	Total Amount Due
Adjudicated	26	\$134,250	\$398,800
Default	62	\$294,200	\$1,077,580
Paid per CPO	20	\$168,000	\$168,000
Settled	104	\$871,205	\$911,505
Totals	212	\$1,467,655	\$2,555,885

Forest Practice Enforcement Program penalty collection from January 1, 2016, to present. Adjudicated are cases that were decided by hearing. The difference in Amount Collected and Total Amount Due indicates respondent is making payments or a judgement is needed. Penalties collected are deposited in the State's General Fund per (PRC§4601.1(d)).

Table 2: LTO License Status

Table 3: Active Civil Penalties Case Status

Status	#	Status	# Of Cases
New Applications Rec'd	24	Under Review	4
Renewal Applications Rec'd	28	Developed for Signature	1
New Licenses Issued	17	CPO Signed, Mailed, Served	19
Licenses Renewed	24	Hearing(s) to be Scheduled	6
Incomplete Applications Rec'd	9	Settlement Mitigation	5
Applications Returned	11	Payments	26
Refunds Issued	0	Probation	2
Insurance Certificates Rec'd	74	Judgement Needed/Granted	32
		Default/Final Order	15
Total Active Licenses	1,219	Total	110

Resource Protection and Improvement Program

Urban and Community Forestry

- Green Schoolyards Grant applications were opened on March 3, 2023, and will close on April 28, 2023. Videos about Green Schoolyards were released and can be found at, [\(53\) Schoolyard Greening Grant Program - YouTube](#) (English language) and [\(53\) Schoolyard Greening Grant Program \(Spanish version\) - YouTube](#) (Spanish language).
- An application has been submitted to the USDA Forest Service for funding available through the Inflation Reduction Act. If awarded, sub-grants may be available for tree planting, workforce development, and activities to mitigate extreme heat.



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- The program is hiring two Partnership and Equity Coordinators to support local jurisdictions and organizations with technical assistance and to inform grant applications to state and federal sources. These staff members will cooperate with other state agencies and departments to create technical assistance hubs where disadvantaged and low-income participants can access multiple professionals.
- An application was submitted to Cal Volunteers to hire two California Climate Fellows for an eleven-month term to establish an Urban and Community Forestry next generation career camp.

Prescribed Fire

- A Prescribed Fire Claims Fund collaborative meeting was held on March 8. The group is meeting every two weeks to have the claims fund reservation system in place for late spring burning. Numerous partners are involved in the process per the requirements in the legislation (SB 926).
- Currently the claims fund program is being designed to have up to 200 reservations for beneficial fire projects and will be subject to the following criteria, amongst others:
 - Must be for public benefit in the State Responsibility Area (SRA).
 - Must be conducted by a Burn Boss or equivalent as described in the legislation.
 - Must provide a burn plan.

Vegetation Management Program

- The California Vegetation Treatment Program Environmental Impact Report (CalVTP) continues to be used. Currently, CAL FIRE has 8 VTPs in the Northern Region and 6 VTPs in the Southern Region. There is a total of 38 VTPs listed on the [Board of Forestry and Fire Protection website from all lead agencies](#).
- There are currently 102 Chaparral Management Plans (VMPs) that are open for CAL FIRE.

Summary

	Count	Rx-Planned Acres	Rx-Available Acres
CMP	102	293,987	209,209
VTP	14	10,671	10,551
Total	116	304,658	220,460



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Environmental Protection

- The “CEQA for CAL FIRE Projects” training was held from February 27 to March 3 in Los Osos and was well attended by CAL FIRE and Board of Forestry staff.

Tribal Affairs/Cultural Resources

- The 2023 California Tribal Water Summit is scheduled for April 11-13 at the CNRA building in Sacramento. The Summit will convene Tribal, State, and Federal leaders to discuss water issues and strategies towards watershed resilience of California’s sacred waters. Proceedings from this Summit will help inform State water policy and advance issues of equity, access and incorporation of Tribal Ecological Knowledge in the [California Water Plan Update 2023](#).

Cultural Resources

- The California Licensed Forester Association and CAL FIRE held the Archaeology 5-day class from March 6-10, 2023, in San Luis Obispo. It was attended by 42 people from various organizations.
- Upcoming CLFA/CAL FIRE archaeology trainings are scheduled as follows:
 - April 25 & 26, 2023— Archaeology Refresher, Courtyard Marriott, San Luis Obispo
 - October 2-6, 2023—5-day Initial Archaeology, Gaia Hotel & Spa, Anderson
 - November 8 & 9, 2023—Archaeology Refreshers, Gaia Hotel & Spa, Anderson

Reforestation Services

- Seed Bank staff have been very busy setting up contracts with various organizations and businesses to assist with collection of cones. These include American Forests, Mast (previously DroneSeed) and private RPFs and climbers.
- We have published our 2023 Assessment of Seed Needs and the 2022 Annual Program Report on the new Reforestation Program website.

Demonstration State Forests

- **Jackson**
 - The Jackson Advisory Group (JAG) meeting was held in Fort Bragg on March 15, 2023. Kim Rodrigues, former UC Cooperative Extension



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Hopland Field Station manager, facilitated the meeting. It was highly participatory and well attended.

- Jackson Demonstration State Forest has begun publishing newsletters monthly for the past few months to keep the public abreast of projects, events, and other announcements at JDSF. These can be found on JDSF social media pages (<https://www.facebook.com/CALFIREJDSF/>).
- On March 1, 2023, representatives from Microsoft, ESRI (a mapping software company), and HyphaMesh (a wireless innovation company) joined JDSF and CAL FIRE Research and Development staff in carrying out several wireless technology experiments to research, develop, and build a mobile high speed internet system for emergency response and rural internet infrastructure development.
- The March 11 "Grasshopper" bike event was held on approximately 50 miles of rocky roads, all on JDSF. The event included 200+ riders, including amateur, pro and an Olympic athlete.
- March surveys for northern spotted owl (NSO) are off to a slow start given the on-going wet weather throughout March.
- Robert Douglas participated in a meeting with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (Arcata Office) and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to discuss the concept underlying a proposed Spotted Owl Resource Plan (SORP) for JDSF, which would allow for a one-year, six-visit survey protocol for THP-related projects, provided that experimental maintenance removal of barred owls continue, focused barred owl surveys are conducted around historical barred owl territory locations (3 visits/year), and less intense landscape-wide surveys occur outside of project areas (3 vs 6 visits).
- Approximately 10,000 redwood trees were planted in the James Creek Timber Harvest Plan restoration area.



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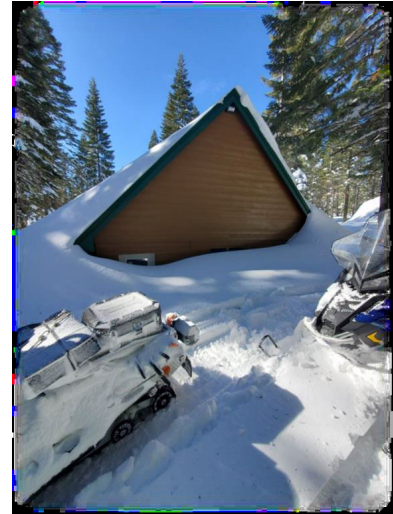
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- **LaTour**

- Snow fell on the forest from February 23 through March 14 delivering 50 inches of new snow, to the previous base of 60 inches. The maximum snow level was 110 inches.
- Continuous Forest Inventory (CFI) grids have been established for the new forest lands. Survey 123 data collection forms have been developed for each new forest, based on the format previously developed for LDSF. Staff has been spending time establishing monuments for these plots.
- Forest Managers Jason Poburko (LaTour) and Jim Kral (Mountain Home) presented at the California Licensed Foresters Association (CLFA) annual conference on March 2, offering their thoughts on the state of Maximum Sustained Production (MSP) rules pertaining to small landowners.



Some of the local barracks after recent storms.

- **Soquel**

- The temporary closure of the forest (since January 3) continues, and extensive damage occurred with the snowstorms of the past month in addition to the previous damage. Two of the three emergency access routes to SDSF remain closed to emergency vehicles. Numerous roadbed failures, downed trees and mudslides also occurred on county roads.



Some of the damage from snow on roads and forest areas.

- **Boggs**

- Nothing to report.



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Forest Biometrics

- The initial Request for Proposals for the Forest Inventory Analysis (FIA) Temporal Intensification Project did not result in successful bids for 4 of the 7 contract areas. The bid process was reopened for the remaining contract areas with a final filing date of March 13.

California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP)

- CFIP is planning on accepting approximately 16 grants every two months for a total of \$2-3 million every two months.
- There are no plans to offer a Wildfire Resilience Block Grant solicitation due to lack of funding. Current grant projects continue to complete their work.

Forest Legacy Program (FLP)

- The program is working to close the Mattole Headwaters project located in Mendocino County by June of 2023.
- Staff have been working with the Federal Forest Legacy Program to confirm funding opportunities for the next round of funding, including Inflation Reduction Act, which will provide a much-expanded funding amount for regular projects and an opportunity to fund very large projects. Staff are working with potential applicants to help them understand the requirements.
- Plans are being finalized to offer a Forest Legacy Grant solicitation in early 2023 with \$9.25 million plus a new opportunity for applicants to request just due diligence funding. This new funding is provided by the USFS and allows applicants to request funding that would be used solely for the purpose of making potential projects ready for an application.

Climate and Energy Program

Wood Products & Bioenergy

- Attended the California Licensed Foresters Association Annual Conference on March 2-3 in Anderson.
- Finalized negotiations for a \$1.6 million loan agreement with Hat Creek Bioenergy LLC through IBank.
- Represented California at the Council of Western States Foresters Forest Products Committee Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah March 14-15.
- Attended a demonstration by Kodama Systems of a teleoperated skidder in Jamestown on March 17.
- Attended a demonstration of a Carbonator processing eucalyptus logs in the East Bay Regional Parks on March 20.



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Forest Health

- The FY 22-23 Forest Health grant solicitation closed on February 28. Please see the table below for additional information.

Grant Type	# Of Applications	Total Funding Requested	Total Available Funding	Oversubscribed By
Forest Health	44	\$225,087,718	100,000,000	\$125,087,718
Forest Health Post-Fire Reforestation and Regeneration	18	\$98,968,249	\$50,000,000	\$48,968,249
Tribal Wildfire Resilience - Planning	7	\$6,549,397	\$4,000,000	\$2,549,397
Tribal Wildfire Resilience - Implementation	13	\$23,353,807	\$15,000,000	\$8,353,807

- Scoring of Forest Health applications will take place during the month of March. Award announcements are penciled for late April – early May.
- Tribal Wildfire Resilience application review will continue in April with proposal presentations and additional project details. Award announcements are scheduled for June.
- Forest Health staff continue to work with Sierra Nevada Conservancy, North Coast Resource Partnership and Southern California on development of their Forest Health Pilot Regional Block Grants.
- The draft Forest Health Grant and Prescribed Fire Protocols for Field-Based Monitoring Manual (version 1.0) was posted to the CAL FIRE Prescribed Fire Research website. This was a joint effort with FRAP to publish a monitoring protocol per AB 203.

Climate Change

- Provided comments to the California Air Resources Board on a draft report quantifying the value of ecosystem services provided by California Climate Investments, ensuring the Forest Health program was accurately represented.

Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force (WFR)

- March 2023 monthly update to the Governor is available online.
- Upcoming Task Force meetings include:



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- March 30, 1-4 p.m. at the CA Natural Resources Building in Sacramento and via Zoom (Agenda)
 - May 11-12 at the Cocoanut Grove in Santa Cruz. Planning efforts are underway.

Fire and Resource Assessment Program (FRAP)

- **Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ).** FRAP continues to support OSFM in addressing FHSZ model questions in response to public comment.
- **Forest Data Hub.** FRAP is entering into an agreement with the Climate and Wildfire Institute (CWI) on the development of an Early Phase Data Hub. CWI held a Forest Data Hub meeting at CNRA building (715 P Street) on March 21 to release findings from a Needs Assessment. Phase 1 of the project is expected to begin in late April. FRAP representatives continue to work closely with the WFR Task Force on development of Regional Resource Kits, providing packages of key datasets needed for decision making and planning.
- **Forest Health Research Grants.** FRAP anticipates public release of the Forest Health Research Grant solicitation by March 24 and intends to award up to \$5.5 million in research grant funds. New this year is a call for proposals on utilizing enhanced FIA data to inform future forest management.
- **AMEX Project.** FRAP and State Forests have initiated a Coastal Adaptive Management Experiment (AMEX) at JDSF. Similar to the Sierra Nevada AMEX study, Coastal AMEX will test silvicultural approaches to adapting forests to climate change. Pre-treatment monitoring to begin this summer along the proposed Hare Creek Study Site. FRAP and State Forests are developing a 5-year monitoring agreement for other AMEX sites.
- **Prescribed Fire Monitoring.** FRAP is entering into a 5-year agreement with Chico State University to collaborate on prescribed fire research and monitoring. FRAP staff and CAL FIRE executives, including Director Tyler, had a meeting with the Chico State team on March 24 to discuss the project.
- **Forest Inventory Analysis (FIA).** A new Request for Proposal for 2023 & 2024 FIA data collection to supplement previous coverage from previous awards. FRAP staff will continue to work with staff from Biometrics to review and score proposals.

Fire Protection Program

Law Enforcement/Civil Cost Recovery



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- During the month of February 2023, CAL FIRE law enforcement officers made 6 arrests and issued 2 citations.
- CAL FIRE Civil Cost Recovery has received \$37,605,852.54 in recovered fire suppression costs for the month of February.

Fire Protection Operations

- Hundreds of CAL FIRE personnel and resources, including 2 CAL FIRE Incident Management Teams (IMT), were Mission Tasked by Cal OES to assist with flooding and storm related incidents throughout the state for the majority month of March.
- CAL FIRE IMTs were activated to support the Emergency Operations Centers in Inyo and Mono Counties and the Flood Operations in Tulare County. The CAL FIRE IMT in Inyo/Mono has been released and the IMT in Tulare County continues to provide support.
- The joint CAL FIRE/California Wildfire Coordinating Group (CWCG) IMT and Emergency Command Center Support Team (ECCST) workshop was held the week of March 27 in Riverside. This is the first time that CAL FIRE and CWCG teams had a joint workshop, the goal of the workshop was to identify and develop processes for improved coordination on unified command incidents. The California State Sheriffs' Association and California Forestry Association presented at the workshop.
- The 2023 Hired Equipment Supplier sign up process is underway. All current supplier agreements will be invalid as of April 30, 2023. All existing and new suppliers are encouraged to sign up for the 3-year agreement period in advance of May 1. Additional information is available on the CAL FIRE internet page. <https://www.fire.ca.gov/about/resources/hired-equipment>

Aviation Management Unit (AMU)/Tactical Air Operations (TAO)

- Eight out of ten helitack bases have transitioned to the CAL FIRE HAWK. Hollister helitack base will receive Night Vision Goggle (NVG) training the week of April 24, preparing them to join Hemet-Ryan and Vina helitack bases in night suppression capability this coming fire season.
- CAL FIRE's Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Program has grown to 129 Remote Pilots with a fleet of over 90 UAS. Two additional Remote Pilots have been trained in UAS aerial ignition operations in support of departments prescribed fire and suppression strategies. During the month of March, while supporting mission tasking and local weather-related events, four CAL FIRE Units alone performed over 640 UAS flights for more than 120 hours of flight time. Many of these flights were in support of rescue operations, building and



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infrastructure inspections, law enforcement operations, and the mitigation of snow, debris and flooding hazards.

- CAL FIRE continues to work with the United States Air Force and the United States Coast Guard on more expedient solutions to the C130 Retardant Delivery System installation project.
- CAL FIRE was mission tasked for two helicopters and several overhead along with the California National Guard and the United States Coast Guard to work with Humboldt, Mendocino and Trinity Counties on delivering hay to cattle isolated by the extreme snowfall. Over 385 bales were delivered supporting approximately 3620 head of cattle.

Mobile Equipment Program

- Over 600 assets of various types are currently on order spanning the last 3 fiscal years including:
 - 545 trucks from $\frac{3}{4}$ ton to 2-ton service trucks
 - 72 Emergency Crew Transports
 - 120 Fire Engines
 - 30 Bulldozers
- The CAL FIRE Fleet Acquisition Plan is currently working its way through departmental review and will be ready for the Department of General Services before the end of the month.
- CAL FIRE Auto Technicians from Davis Mobile Equipment have been Mission Tasked to assist CalTrans during these winter storms.

Cooperative Fire Protection

Local Government Program

- The fourth and final 2023 Local Government workshop to be held in MMU on March 14, 2023, has been postponed to April 20, 2023. This is in part of the EOC activation (March Storms) in Merced where the training was to be held.

State/Federal Programs

- FEMA Declaration Reimbursement- 4683 (January Winter Storms) has been approved and currently moving forward with data collection from all Units and Program. This reimbursement includes 27 infrastructure projects statewide for facilities that received damage as a result of the winter storms.
- For the National Fire Capacity Grants, an additional \$508,000 has been made available to CAL FIRE with solicitation ongoing within our programs.



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Camps and Crews Program

- The current statewide strength of Type I Handcrews is 88 staffed of the 226 total funded crews. That includes 57 California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) crews out of 152 funded, 18 California Conservation Corps (CCC) Crews out of 32 funded, 0 of the 29 funded CAL FIRE Firefighter I Crews, and 13 of the funded 13 California National Guard Crews.
- The current CDCR inmate crew strength is 836 inmates out of the allocated 2584, leaving the Conservation Camp Program with a shortage of 1748 inmates. The total CDCR Camp population is at 50% with a crew capacity of 32%.
- Mountain Home Conservation Camp has been temporarily closed due to a mud slide that has destroyed the road to the camp. All staff and inmates have been removed and are being housed at Miramonte Conservation Camp until further notice.
- The annual Camps and Crews Workshop that was to be held the week of March 20, 2023, at the Riverside Convention Center has been postponed due to the statewide emergency incident support of overhead resources and Type I handcrews.
- Units have begun the hiring of FFI's throughout the state to staff Firefighter I handcrews. Once staffed, CAL FIRE FFI handcrews will begin the annual training process to become Type I handcrews.

Safety/EMS Program

- The CALePCR (electronic Patient Care Report) Schedule A Basic Life Support (BLS) pilot projects in the Butte Unit (BTU) and Sonoma Lake Napa Unit (LNU) are going well. The EMS Program is evaluating rollout timeframes to include additional Schedule A BLS contracts into CALePCR. Some of the timing will depend on the ability of the Schedule A contract to provide tablets and connectivity.
- The Safety Program is working with Mystery Ranch to address a potential warranty issue with their webgear. The issue is related to the ease of removing the fire shelter from the pack.
- The Safety Program will be distributing Heavy Fire Equipment Operator (HFEO) helmets by April 10, 2023. These new helmets will provide top and side impact protection for the HFEO in the event of a bulldozer rollover.

Statewide Training Program

- The 11-week Heavy Fire Equipment Operator Academy Course has been approved. The first class starts Monday, March 27, 2023.



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- We are moving forward with a Training Center North start date of Monday, May 8, 2023. We will open this new Training Center location (at Shasta College) with a 4-week Firefighter Academy.

Academy Training Program

- Nothing to Report.

Office of the State Fire Marshal

Wildfire Mitigation Advisory Committee

- Met on March 21, where the Committee received an update from the Division, as well as presentations by CalTrans on their fuel reduction efforts, as well as Alert California.
- Next meeting will be held on April 18 both in person and virtually via Zoom.
- These meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month from 1 - 3.
- For information on this monthly meeting, visit our website at:
- <https://osfm.fire.ca.gov/boards-committees/wildfire-mitigation-advisory-committee/>

Pre-Fire Plan (Fire Plan)

- Held the Pre-Fire Planning workshop in Folsom March 6-10, with 75 in attendance (Pre-Fire Engineers, Environmental Scientists, & Research Data Analysts).
- Significant turnover (well over 50%), with many Unit Pre-Fire Engineers having only months on the job.
- Operational tools/layers being developed for AVL (CalMAPPER & Pre-Attack Plans)
- Currently building out success stories.

Wildfire Preparedness

- Defensible Space Inspectors continue to make strides toward better public outreach and education for homeowners. Inspectors have visited more than 130,000 individual properties since July 1, 2022. This is nearly 65,000 more properties from the same timeframe the previous fiscal year.
- More than 176,000 defensible space inspections have been completed this Fiscal Year and is more than 70% of the stated goal.



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- Defensible space training personnel are developing a new training plan, designed to be delivered to potential “qualified entities” to address the new requirements in Public Resources Code 4291.5 and 4291.6
- Home Hardening personnel have been developing minimum quality standards for home retrofits.
- Home Hardening personnel have initiated a stakeholder group to develop a WUI Fire Safety Building Compliance training program.
- The newly launched online Burn Permit application system has received more than 12,000 requests and CAL FIRE has issued 11,936 permits as of this writing.
- Damage inspection personnel have been dispatched to three major flooding incidents during the winter storms in 2023.
- Statewide, CAL FIRE damage inspectors have documented:
 - Destroyed - 7 (7 homes, 0 Commercial, 0 Other)
 - Damaged - 594 (432 homes, 85 Commercial, 77 Other)
 - No Damage – 474
 - Total Inspections - 1,219 (Inaccessible - 144)

Community Wildfire Mitigation Assistance

- Local Planner Training continues April 20 in Los Osos and May 17 in Sacramento. This is the result of a direct award grant to the Community Wildfire Planning Center (CWPC). Target audience is local planners, fire marshals and building officials as well as consultants and other interested stakeholders. Focus on relationship building, basic fire behavior and building and planning concepts and regulations.

California Incident Data & Statistics Program

- Currently closing out 2022 CALFIRS reporting.
- Working to finalize Large Fires (300 acres or greater fires) reporting for CAL FIRE Schedule A and B. This includes working through discrepancies of acreage, structures damaged/destroyed, and injuries/deaths.
- Assisting other fire departments with the importing of their data to eNFIRS (federal incident collection system) while helping to correct invalid reports and import failures.
- Identifying potential National Fire Academy Training Course hosts for Basic and Advanced NFIRS classes for this year and next.



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- In process of developing a bid for three new custom developments to the CALFIRS program. This will be a joint process with EMS and their ePCR (e-patient care reporting) program and the ImageTrend vendor.

Wildland Fuels Reduction Reporting

- Finalizing a contract process between IT and FRAP with contractor for enhancements of CalMAPPER and the continuation of Mobile App.
- CalMAPPER Mobile – Development is at a standstill until the contract is signed with the vendor. Testing continues on the mobile data collection process. Testers consist of Sacramento and Region staff, as well as Unit staff from Humboldt Del Norte Unit (HUU), Shasta Trinity Unit (SHU), and Fresno Kings Unit (FKU). The process was demonstrated at the Pre-Fire Workshop to 75 staff from Units/Contract Counties.
- CalMAPPER QA/QC – Will be starting another quarterly QA/QC process of CalMAPPER in March, to complete in April.

Land Use Planning

- All Land Use Planning staff are engaged with many statewide program projects, including assisting jurisdictions on Safety Element (General Plan) updates and submittal process to the CA Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (BOF), collaborating with Cal OES on the State Hazard Mitigation Plan, Office of Planning and Research (OPR) on the Wildfire Plan Alignment Guide, assisting with the SRA FHSZ Map roll-out, and are in the preplanning stages of the LRA FHSZ map roll-out.
- Staff are participating in the department's 2023 DSI (Defensible Space Inspector) training program instructing DINS as well as instructing the Land Use Planning/Subdivision Review topics in the statewide Statutes and Regulation classes.
- Staff are also the cadre for statewide DINS/DINM (Damage Inspection Specialist/Manager) training for the department and local government agencies.
- Program staff have been participating in the statewide flood incidents assisting with damage inspection.

Subdivision Review (SDR)

- Nothing to Report.

Firewise

- Nothing to Report.



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Fire Safe Regulations

- Nothing to Report.

Wildfire Prevention (WP) Grants

- FY 2022-23 Wildfire Prevention Grants solicitation closed March 15, preliminary figures will be provided once they have been determined and verified.

Utility Wildfire Mitigation

- Began consultation with Energy Safety on the Investor-Owned Utility (IOU) Wildfire Mitigation Plan reviews in the areas of risk assessment, situational awareness and forecasting, vegetation management, grid operations, and grid hardening.
- Participating in IOU PSPS planning and as an observer in PSPS full-scale exercises.
- Created a weather station web map that includes all IOU weather station networks for use for IMT Fire Behavior Analysts (FBAN). Contains over 3000 utility weather stations that link to Mesowest.

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)/ Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Program (DEI)

EEO/DEI

- The CAL FIRE DEI program was tasked by the Agency to provide best practices that could potentially become standard practice across CNRA and the organizations it represents. The DEI program offered several suggestions, including unconscious bias training for onboarding all staff involved in exam panels and hiring to equip them with the necessary skills and resources to reduce the likelihood of bias impacting the decision-making process. Additionally, the program recommended multi-scaffolded DEI training for all levels of the organization, aligned with the different stages of an employee's career, to foster a continued DEI allyship and ensure a DEI lens in every practice and decision made throughout the Department. The program also suggested recruitment strategies that include a DEI lens, such as removing barriers from job announcements and updating outdated duty statements to include inclusive language and accurate role and duty descriptions. These recommendations will be presented to CNRA leadership, Agency, and Department directors for discussion and review at an upcoming meeting. The CAL FIRE DEI program believes that many of these goals have already



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started the implementation process and can be easily adopted across CNRA. The program is excited to share these ideas.

Recruitment Summit Monthly Meeting

- The DEI program has joined the (internal) Recruitment Summit Monthly Meeting (RSMM) to collaborate with Recruitment, Communications, and the Research Development Implementation Program, to advance recruitment with a DEI lens.

National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) 2023

- National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) is observed annually in October, recognizing the skills, diversity, and talent that people with disabilities bring to the workforce. On October 12, the DEI program has partnered with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to celebrate this event at the State Capitol. Other CAL FIRE programs, including the Workforce Development and Recruitment Program and Communications, are also participating. Further information will be provided as details are finalized.
- More information will follow as details develop.

Partnership Equity Coordinators

- The DEI staff is collaborating with the Resource Protection and Improvement (RPI) Program to hire federally funded Equity Coordinators who will be dedicated to supporting the RPI grant process. We are excited to work with RPI and the newly hired coordinators on our DEI efforts.

CALENDAR YEAR 2023
TIMBER HARVESTING INFORMATION THROUGH March 22, 2023

Note: This information is for Timber Harvesting Plans and Nonindustrial Timber Management Plans submitted to the Department during a calendar year. The numbers are the cumulative totals for the calendar year as of the specific date

Year Comparison	Coast (Santa Rosa)		Cascade (Redding)		Riverside (South)		Sierra (Fresno)		Totals	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
THPs Received	38	32	11	7	1	0	3	0	53	39
THPs Returned	15	12	2	4	1	0	2	0	20	16
THPs Pre-Harvest Inspections	22	16	2	2	1	0	2	0	27	18
THPs with NON-Concurrence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THPs Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THPs Approved	17	12	9	9	0	0	1	1	27	22
THP Approved Acres	5,924	2,734	6,038	4,922	0	0	12	560	11,974	8,216

Year Comparison	Coast (Santa Rosa)		Cascade (Redding)		Riverside (South)		Sierra (Fresno)		Totals	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
NTMPs Received	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	2
NTMPs Returned	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2
NTMPs Pre-Harvest Inspections	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
NTMPs Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NTMPs Approved	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
NTMP Approved Acres	0	77	617	0	0	0	0	105	617	182
NTMPs with NON-Concurrences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NTOs Received	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2

Year Comparison	Coast (Santa Rosa)		Cascade (Redding)		Riverside (South)		Sierra (Fresno)		Totals	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
WFMPs Received	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs Returned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs Pre-Harvest Inspections	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs with NON-Concurrence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs Approved	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WFMPs Approved Acres	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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TIMBER HARVESTING INFORMATION THROUGH March 22, 2023**

Note: This information is for Timber Harvesting Plans and Nonindustrial Timber Management Plans submitted to the Department during a calendar year. The numbers are the cumulative totals for the calendar year as of the specific date



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Data Source: CalTREES

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Rule	Type of Exemption	Admin Area	2022		2023	
			Number of Plans	Acres	Number of Plans	Acres
1038(b) (03/2019)	10 Percent Dead, Dying Diseased, Fuelwood, or Woody Debris v2019	Cascade (Redding)	53	346,455	32	399,786
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	13	2,196	13	12,307
		Riverside (South)	1	240	1	240
		Sierra (Fresno)	4	52,707	10	1,799
		Totals	71	401,598	56	414,132
1038(a)&(b)	10% Dead, Dying or Diseased Fuelwood or Split Products	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038.6 (03/2019)	Butte Post Fire Recovery	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(a) (03/2019)	Christmas Trees	Cascade (Redding)	4	159,839	4	108,366
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)	1	14	1	14
		Totals	5	159,853	5	108,380
1038(k)	Drought Mortality	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
	Drought Mortality and Unmerchantable Sawlog v2019	Cascade (Redding)	13	2,066	10	2,432
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	2	791		
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)	8	57		
		Totals	23	2,914	10	2,432
1038(j)	Forest Fire Prevention PILOT Project	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(i)	Forest Fire Prevention Project	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0

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Rule	Type of Exemption	Admin Area	2022		2023	
			Number of Plans	Acres	Number of Plans	Acres
1038.3 (03/2019)	Forest Fire Prevention v2019	Cascade (Redding)	4	225	1	11
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	9	555	9	1,069
		Riverside (South)	1	267		
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	14	1,047	10	1,080
1104.1(a)	Less than 3 Acre Conversion	Cascade (Redding)	18	34	6	13
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	16	32	8	20
		Riverside (South)	1	0		
		Sierra (Fresno)	6	4	1	3
		Totals	41	70	15	36
1038(l)	Oak Woodland Management (effective 01/01/2018)	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(e) (03/2019)	Oak Woodland Management v2019	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	4	86	3	60
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	4	86	3	60
1038(m)	Post Fire Recovery (effective 01/01/2018)	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038.5 (03/2019)	Post Fire Recovery v2019	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
	Post Fire Recovery v2020	Cascade (Redding)	10	10	3	7
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	3	1		
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)	4	12	1	5
		Totals	17	23	4	12
1104.1(b)&(c)	Public / Private Utility Right-of-Way	Cascade (Redding)	12	921,588	5	930
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	10	1,580	7	98
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)	8	13,095		
		Totals	30	936,263	12	1,028

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Rule	Type of Exemption	Admin Area	2022		2023	
			Number of Plans	Acres	Number of Plans	Acres
1038(f) (03/2019)	Small Timberland Owner	Cascade (Redding)	2	69	1	40
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	2	69	1	40
1038(c)	Structure Protection (0 to 150 feet)	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(c) (03/2019)	Structure Protection (0 to 150 feet) v2019	Cascade (Redding)	12	91	10	114
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	34	217	17	49
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)	2	3		
		Totals	48	311	27	163
1038(c)(6)	Structure Protection (150 to 300 feet) Includes exemptions previously submitted with both 0-150ft and 150-300ft options	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(c)(6) (03/2019)	Structure Protection (150 to 300 feet) v2019	Cascade (Redding)	2	8		
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	16	76	3	14
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	18	84	3	14
1038(d)	Substantially Damaged Unmerchantable Sawlog	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
1038(g)	Woody Debris and Slash Removal	Cascade (Redding)				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)				
		Riverside (South)				
		Sierra (Fresno)				
		Totals	0	0	0	0
	All Exemptions	Grand Total	273	1,502,318	146	527,377

Type of 1052 Emergency Notice		2022		2023						
		Admin Area	Number of Plans	Acres	Number of Plans	Acres				
Notice of Emergency Timber Operations		Cascade (Redding)	35	6,981	17	4,202				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)	8	727	7	235				
		Riverside (South)								
		Sierra (Fresno)	9	1,611	4	637				
		Totals	52	9,319	28	5,074				
<u>Emergency Conditions</u> More than one condition can be selected per Notice of Emergency Timber Operations - acreage may be reflected multiple times *Others may include multiple emergency conditions		Drought		Cascade (Redding)	2	75	2	593		
				Coast (Santa Rosa)			1	93		
				Riverside (South)						
				Sierra (Fresno)			2	191		
				Totals	2	75	5	877		
				Fire		Cascade (Redding)	33	6,961	16	3,862
						Coast (Santa Rosa)	8	727	3	134
						Riverside (South)				
						Sierra (Fresno)	8	1,057	1	53
						Totals	49	8,745	20	4,049
				Insects		Cascade (Redding)	5	73	1	253
						Coast (Santa Rosa)				
						Riverside (South)				
						Sierra (Fresno)	2	646	2	191
						Totals	7	719	3	444
				*Others		Cascade (Redding)	40	7,109	19	4,883
				Coast (Santa Rosa)	7	527	10	243		
				Riverside (South)						
				Sierra (Fresno)	1	8	4	467		
				Totals	48	7,644	33	5,593		
Fuel Hazard Reduction (RM65)		Cascade (Redding)	3	291	1	62				
		Coast (Santa Rosa)								
		Riverside (South)								
		Sierra (Fresno)								
		Totals	3	291	1	62				
Fuel Hazard Reduction		Cascade (Redding)								
		Coast (Santa Rosa)								
		Riverside (South)								
		Sierra (Fresno)								
		Totals	0	0	0	0				
Sudden Oak Death Disease		Cascade (Redding)								
		Coast (Santa Rosa)								
		Riverside (South)								
		Sierra (Fresno)								
		Totals	0	0	0	0				