

**RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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**To:** Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

**From:** Edith Hannigan, Analyst

**Date:** September 13, 2016

**Re:** Range Management Advisory Committee

The Range Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) met on Thursday, September 8, in Sacramento.

- **Membership:** Two members, Chuck Pritchard and Marc Horney, have expiring terms in January 2017. Dr. Horney has elected to continue his participation on the Committee and as co-chair, and his re-nomination form is attached. Mr. Pritchard will be stepping down from his position representing the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts, and Board staff will be working with Karen Buhr of the CARCD to find a replacement member. The Committee and staff thank Mr. Pritchard for his 24 years of service and contributions to RMAC and wish him well.
- **Invasive Pests:**
  - RMAC member Sheryl Landrum and Board staff Edith Hannigan continue working with the California Board of Food and Agriculture to combat shot hole borer spread in southern California. This issue has been an ongoing agenda item at the CBFA and they are investigating the scope of the problem as it relates to agriculture impacts in California as well as possible solutions.
  - Member Landrum and Ms. Hannigan have had a proposed conference session approved at the upcoming CARCD Conference to present on this topic. The conference theme is "Urban and Rural: Tying the Partnership Together" and they plan to discuss the threats to urban and rural California from these pests and how each can take action to stop their spread. The conference is November 17-18 in Ontario.
- **2017 Schedule:** RMAC will meet January 5, March 2, May 4, July 6, September 7, and November 2 in 2017.

The Committee's last meeting in 2016 will be November 10 in Sacramento.