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BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: December 29, 2006

FULL BOARD:**EXECUTIVE AND REGULAR SESSION****January 10, 2007****Time: 8:00 a.m.**

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
1416 Ninth Street
 Sacramento, California

COMMITTEES:**FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE****January 9, 2007****Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon**

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**January 9, 2007****Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon**

Location: **Resources Bldg.**
14th floor, Room 1412
 Sacramento, California

POLICY COMMITTEE**January 9, 2007****Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Location: **Resources Bldg.**
15th floor, Room 1506-12
 Sacramento, California

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE**January 9, 2007****Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

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Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at:

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BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE AND REGULAR SESSION
January 10, 2007
Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

1. Call to Order
2. Adjourn to Executive Session

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. Cases to be discussed are:

(The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.)

3. Reconvene Regular Session
4. Announcement of Actions taken in Executive Session
5. Approval of Minutes from October, November, 2006.
6. Report of the Chairman.
7. Report of the Director/Department.
8. Report of the California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF).
9. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

- Range Management Advisory Committee
- Monitoring Study Group
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee.

Action Items: Readoption of existing Foresters Licensing Policies, Consideration of appointments to PFEC.

Other Possible Action Items: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

10. Presentation by NOAA Fisheries on an Unauthorized Take of Federally Threatened Steelhead: NOAA Case No. SW020417A. Ms. Charlotte Ambrose, Recovery Coordinator ~ North-Central California Coast; Ms. Amanda Wheeland, NOAA Office of General Counsel; Mr. Dan Torquemada, NMFS Office for Law Enforcement; Dr. Brian Cluer, NMFS Fluvial Geomorphologist.

Presentation by Landowner's Representative: NOAA Case No. SW020417A. Mr. Christopher J. Carr, Partner, Morrison and Foerster, LLP.

11. **Hearing: Utility Clearing Exemption, 2006.** The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) proposes to adopt regulations of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (14 CCR) Division 1.5, Chapter 7 Fire Protection, and Article 4, § 1257 (Exempt Minimum Clearance Provisions). The proposed regulation adds § 1257(a)(3), a new exemption to existing utility vegetation clearing requirements. **Possible Action Item.** Information at:
http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/board/board_proposed_rule_packages.aspx.

12. Update on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF) Draft Management Plan. Presentation by Bill Stewart and Russ Henly on Board's request for a possible alternative reflecting research mission. **Possible Action Item:** Board may give direction to staff and Department on the EIR. Information on the DEIR may be found at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/php/rsrc-mgt_jackson_deir_2005.php
13. Update by the Departments (CDF and DFG) on Fish and Game Code §2112 regulations, follow up from previous Special Meeting of the Board. Information at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/board/board_proposed_rule_packages.aspx
14. Discussion of the Monitoring Study Group Strategic Plan. **Possible Action Item:** The Board may adopt a final Strategic Plan.
15. Presentation on the Board's Draft Policy Statement. **Possible Action Item:** The Board may adopt a final Policy Statement, or direct staff on further changes. The Statement may be found at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/board/board_current_docs.aspx
16. Report of Forest Practice, Policy, Management, and Resource Protection Committees.

Note: Committee Chairpersons will report on the outcomes of Committee meetings. The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. **Possible Action Items:** Recommendations to Board (See Committee Agendas).
17. Report of the Regulations Coordinator.

Note: The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report. **Possible Action Items:** Recommendations to Board for Regulatory Actions (See Committee Agendas).
18. Report of Executive Officer.

Note: The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
19. **Public Forum**

Note: Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called.**
20. New and Unfinished Business
21. Adjournment

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

January 9, 2007

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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1. Discussion and update of Threatened or Impaired Watershed Regulations, process and timing of Board literature review. Update on the Technical Advisory Committee, including charter and work plan development.
2. Discussion of the Findings from the Modified Completion Report Study. Mike Jarvis, Deputy Director of Communications to discuss possible public release options.
3. Discussion and review of fuel hazard reduction regulations (14 CCR 1038 (i) Forest Fire Prevention Exemption and 14 CCR 1052.4 Fuel Hazard Reduction Emergency Notice).
4. New and Unfinished Business (Road Rules Task Force).

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

January 9, 2007

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Location: Resources Bldg.
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1. Discussion regarding drafting of a general guidance document on implementation of Title 14, Article 6.8 (Program EIR and THP). **Possible Action Item:** Recommendations to full Board.
2. Review of 15 day noticed rule language and public comment received on **Road Management Plan, 2006**. Discussion and review of additional language for clarity and consistency. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendations to full Board.
3. Discussion of the process for Sustained Yield Plans (SYPs).
4. New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

POLICY COMMITTEE

January 9, 2007

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Location: Resources Bldg.
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1. Discussion of revisions to the Board's Draft Policy Statement "***The Changing California***".
2. Discussion of the Joint Policy for Anadromous Salmonids.
3. Biomass update.
4. New and Unfinished Business (Performance-Based Pilot Project, Proposal for Forest Practice Monitoring)

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RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

January 9, 2007

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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1. Update on California Fire Plan, including review of findings and recommendations on Level of Service from the 1996 Plan, and discussion of Level of Service Goals.
2. Update on General Plan Safety Element Reviews. **Possible Action Item:** Recommendations to the City of Petaluma, Lake County and the Riveria Development.
3. Discussion of the VTP Process/Framework for Policy Review. Update on VTP EIR.
4. New and Unfinished Business (Hazard Mapping Update).

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.