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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: February 22, 2008

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSION
March 4, 2008
Time: 4:00 p.m.

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

REGULAR SESSION
March 5, 2008
Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium**
1416 Ninth Street
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COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE
March 4, 2008
Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
March 4, 2008
Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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

POLICY COMMITTEE
March 4, 2008
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
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The Board's Mission:

To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

The Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits and may discuss agenda items scheduled for committees, including legislation. **The Board may act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.** If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.

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BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

March 4, 2008

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: **Resources Auditorium
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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. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) **Environmental Protection Information Center and Sierra Club v. California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, and Does 1-30**, San Francisco County Superior Court; **Campaign to Restore Jackson State Redwood Forest, et al v. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al**, Mendocino County Superior Court Action no. SCUK CVPT 0289022.

REGULAR SESSION

March 5, 2008

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3. Reconvene Regular Session
4. Announcement of Actions taken in Executive Session
5. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meetings of October 2007, January and February 2008.
6. Report of the Chairman.
7. Report of the Director/Department.
8. Report of Board's Advisory Committees
 - California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF)
 - Range Management Advisory Committee

- Monitoring Study Group
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee.

Action Item: Consideration of Nominations to RMAC

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

9. Report from Jim Pena, Deputy Regional Forester, Region 5, USFS.
10. Report on the Department's Nursery Program, and interaction with the USFS. Bill Snyder, Deputy Director.

- 1) an overview and history of the state and federal nursery programs,
- 2) a prospective look at the future and challenges to the respective nursery programs,
- and 3) current levels of collaboration and opportunities for the future.

11. Road Rules Committee presentation and update on the Road Rules Package.
12. 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 which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

13. 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.

14. Report of Executive Officer. Presentation to the Board of the 2007 Research Report to the Legislature, and the Charter of the Research and Science Committee. **Possible action item: The Board may approve the Final Charter and Report.**

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.

15. **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.**

16. New and Unfinished business

17. Adjournment

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

March 4, 2008

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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1. Discussion and update of the Threatened or Impaired Watershed literature review.
2. Overview, framework, and timing of Threatened or Impaired Watershed regulations review.
3. Discussion of revisions to Forest Fire Prevention Exemption and Emergency Notice for Fuel Hazard Reduction regulations. **Possible Action Item, recommendations for 45-Day Notice of rule language amendments to Board**
4. Road Rules Committee Update.
5. Discussion regarding possible changes to the Northern Spotted Owl review process.
6. Overview of Fire Inspection Precautions regulatory proposal.
7. New and Unfinished Business

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

March 4, 2008

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Location: Resources Bldg.
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1. Department Presentation on updated Management Plan for LaTour State Forest.
2. Discussion of the Forest Practice Rules for Sustained Yield Plans (SYP) and Presentation by the Department on the Withdrawal of the Proposed SYP for LaTour Demonstration State Forest.
3. Update on Mendocino Redwood Company and Mattole Restoration Council's Respective Proposed Program Timberland Environmental Impact Reports (PTEIRs).
4. Discussion of the Potential for Utilization of a Modified Timber Harvest Plan (MTHP) Approach to Support Streamlined Permitting of Landscape Fuel Hazard Reduction.
5. New and Unfinished Business (Status of Fuel Hazard Reduction Permit Options Table distribution)

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

March 4, 2008

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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1. Discussion and update on legislation of interest to the Board.
2. Discussion of the Joint Policy for Anadromous Salmonids.
3. Update on the Research Committee and Research Report.
4. Discussion and further review from previous months committee agenda regarding:
 - A. Areas where questions exist on interpretation of the regulatory standards, including potential solutions.
 - B. Issues encountered in achieving compliance with the regulatory standard of rules, including potential solutions.
 - C. Suggested regulatory modifications which would either 1) clarify existing rule language to better achieve the intended resource protection, or 2) which would reduce regulatory inefficiencies and maintain the same or better level of protection.
5. New and Unfinished Business: MSG Monitoring and Tracking Committee, FY 2006-2007 Report of the Board, Climate Change and Biomass activities.

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

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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1. Update on California Fire Plan. SFM Kate Dargan and Deputy Director Ken McLean.
2. Report of Range Management Advisory Committee.
3. Discussion of the VTP Process/Framework for Policy Review. Update on VTP EIR.
4. Review and discussion of the Forest Health Work Plan (Fire Emphasis).
5. New and Unfinished Business. Alpine County.

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.

Announcement

Francis Raymond Award Dinner

Mr. William Dennison is to be the recipient of the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's highest honor, the Francis H. Raymond Award. The award is named for Francis H. Raymond who was the Director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection from 1953 to 1970 and one of the primary advocates for the passage of the Professional Foresters Law in 1973. Since 1987 it has been awarded to 24 individuals or organizations that have demonstrated excellence in California forestry.

The awards dinner will begin at 6:00 PM at California Fat's Steakhouse and Asian Grill in Old Town Sacramento on March 4, 2008. The restaurant is located on the Sacramento River at 1015 Front Street. Those wishing to attend should have responded by the requested date of February 22, 2008.

Questions may be directed to Eric Huff at (916) 653-8031 or eric.huff@fire.ca.gov.