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**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**

*-Meeting Held January 8, 2008-*

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Committee Members Piirto, Walz, Giacomini; Steve Brink (CFA); Pete Ribar (Campbell); David Sapsis, David Passovoy, and Tim Robards (*CAL FIRE*-FRAP); Russ Henly, Helge Eng, John Munn, Doug Wickizer, Crawford Tuttle (*CAL FIRE*); Bill Keye (CLFA); Vince Taylor (Dharma Cloud); Bob Rynearson (Beaty); Richard Gienger (EPIC); Jay Francis (Collins Pine); Noel Soucy (EPIC); Board Member Gary Nakamura.

**AGENDA ITEM 1: DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL MANAGEMENT ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF CARBON EMISSION REDUCTION**

David Sapsis, Wildland Fire Scientist with *CAL FIRE*'s Fire and Resource Assessment Program (FRAP) led a comprehensive discussion and provided considerable background on the subject matter. (Text of the complete discussion will be transcribed and disseminated for the benefit of the Committee and public participants following the Board meeting.)

Mr. Sapsis offered to provide further written exposition on the subject, including potential research needs that could support the Committee's interest, and the concept of a multi-disciplinary task force for research. He further suggested that the Committee could recommend that FRAP include carbon emission reduction as part of the broader topic of climate change in the next FRAP *Assessment*. Upon Mr. Sapsis' recommendation, staff was directed to speak with FRAP Chief, Dean Cromwell and invite him to attend the February Committee meeting for further discussion of this possibility.

The item will be agendized for February.

**AGENDA ITEM 2: UPDATE ON STATE FORESTS: DISCUSSION INCLUDING TIMING OF MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEWS**

Dr. Helge Eng provided an update on the proposed schedule for Management Plan review (see attached). He noted that both La Tour and Boggs Mountain could be ready for Committee review by the March meeting. Staff was directed to remain informed on the status of the draft Plans and agendize their review for March contingent upon their completion.

**AGENDA ITEM 3: JDSF ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARTER DEVELOPMENT**

Dr. Russ Henly informed the participants that the Director had begun formal solicitation of potential Advisory Committee members. Dr. Henly then led the Committee's review of *CAL FIRE*'s draft Charter and responded to questions as well as editorial suggestions from the Committee participants. Several language revisions were offered by Mr. Vince Taylor who provided the participants with his suggestions in 'track changes' format. Committee participants continued to identify and consider proposed revisions to the Charter until participants appeared satisfied with the revised draft.

The Committee Members unanimously concurred with a specific set of revisions and further directed Dr. Henly to provide any last minor edits to the draft at his discretion. Dr. Henly indicated he would have a revised draft for Member review later in the day. The Committee Members stated that they would then review the revised draft Charter to ensure that the necessary revisions and minor edits reflected in the discussion were captured. Presuming continued Member concurrence with the revised draft Charter, the Committee Chair will offer the Board the following Committee recommendation:

**ACTION ITEM**

**The Committee recommends Board approval of *CAL FIRE's* Draft Jackson Advisory Group Charter as revised to date.**

**AGENDA ITEM 4: NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS: ONGOING DISCUSSION REGARDING SUSTAINED YIELD PLANS (SYPS)**

Several Committee participants expressed an interest in further discussion of the Forest Practice Rules for Sustained Yield Plans. Jay Francis of Collins Pine noted that their SYP may be expiring in February and he asked for Board guidance on whether or not Collins should again choose to prepare an SYP. Bob Rynearson of Beaty and Associates echoed this question concerning Beaty's SYP. Discussion concluded with staff direction to follow-up with legal counsel on the question of the lifespan of the Collins SYP. John Munn and Helge Eng of *CAL FIRE* volunteered to assist Mr. Francis and Board staff with this follow-up.

The Item will be agendized for February.

**POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY COMMITTEE MEETING:**

- 1. Discussion of Catastrophic Carbon Emission Risk Reduction through Fuels Management.**
- 2. Discussion of the Forest Practice Rules for Sustained Yield Plans (SYP).**
- 3. New and Unfinished.**