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Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
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BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

Re: Working Forest Management Plan

Dear Dr. Gilliss and Members of the Board,

The Working Forest Management Plan (WFMP), the most comprehensive forestry bill since the 1973 Z'berg Nejedly Forest Practice Act, is coming to fruition. The California Licensed Foresters Association (CLFA) would like to commend you, the Management Committee, and Board staff for the time and effort you have spent in developing such a complex rule package in a manner that is expected to be well received. We especially appreciate the additional time spent on workshops outside of regular committee meetings.

This has been a long process and you and the members of the Board have held true to developing a functional and usable permit for eligible Working Forest Landowners. Thank you for exercising great patience amongst all of the stakeholders and state agencies while balancing environmental considerations and the utility of the WFMP.

The WFMP rule package is the result of months of collaboration between many stakeholders. It is our hope that on June 17, 2015 your board votes to approve this rule package recognizing as we do that the WFMP will meet the needs of the environment, landowners and stakeholders.

Sincerely,

Clayton Code
CLFA President



The California Licensed Foresters Association, with a membership responsible for the sustained management of millions of acres of California forestland, represents the common interests of California Registered Professional Foresters. The Association provides opportunities for continuing education and public outreach to its membership, which includes professionals affiliated with government agencies, private timber companies, consultants, the public, and the academic community. Governed by an elected Board of Directors, CLFA was established in 1980 after the passage of the landmark California Professional Foresters