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PUBLIC/STAKEHOLDER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement Date: AUGUST 14, 2014

MEETING DATE
September 5, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Location: **Natural Resources Bldg.
Auditorium**
Sacramento, California
Also via Webinar (see below)

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection has initiated the development of an analysis work plan in response to the "[Carbon Sink Act](#)" (Assembly Bill 1504, Skinner 2010). The Carbon Sink Act amends the Z'Berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 (PRC § 4512.5) to require that the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection' (BOF) regulations governing commercial timber harvesting take into account the capacity of forests to sequester carbon dioxide and meet the greenhouse-gas (GHG) emission-reduction goals mandated for the state's forestry sector by [California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006](#) (Assembly Bill 32, 2006).

Under this legislation the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection is to assess the capacity of its forest and rangeland regulations and non-regulatory forestry programs to meet or exceed the state's greenhouse gas reduction goals. At a minimum the BOF must consider:

- Whether relevant statutory or regulatory requirements governing a timber harvesting plan, sustained yield plan or its equivalent, non-industrial timber management plan, or any other discretionary approval for timber harvesting are sufficient to ensure a net reduction or sequestration of carbon emissions from primary forest carbon sources, sinks or reservoirs.
- Whether regulations governing conversion of timberland and forestland to non-timber and non-forest uses are sufficient to offset lost sequestration capacity and carbon emissions associated with the non-timber use.
- Whether forest growth, harvest and conversion information obtained through the BOF's regulatory and non-regulatory programs and other local, state and federal sources is sufficient and reliable to track changes in carbon stocks, including net emissions and reductions, across the state's forested landscape.

The BOF is requesting public and stakeholder input on the scope and analysis methodologies to help guide the BOF response to the Carbon Sink Act of 2010. At this meeting the project team will provide the public and stakeholders with the background and scope of the effort; will outline opportunities to provide feedback and; seek input on specific technical issues.

The California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection requests public and stakeholder comment on the following technical questions:

- Which forest practice regulations affect carbon sequestration processes and trends?
- What forest carbon measurement and reporting frequency should be considered?
- What time duration for measuring the effect of forest practice regulations should be considered?
- What are the appropriate spatial scales needed to measure carbon sequestration trends?
- Which data sources can be used to quantify forest sector greenhouse gas emissions?

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- Should forest growth models be used to understand effects of forest practice regulations on carbon sequestration? If so, which models should be considered?
- Which climate models are recommended?
- What other analytical methods and tools are recommended to assess the effects of forest practice regulations on carbon sequestration.

A public/stakeholder meeting will be held:

Friday, Sept. 5, 2014

9am – 12:00pm

Natural Resources Building

Auditorium (Ground Floor)

1416 Ninth Street

Sacramento, CA

Webinar link to meeting: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/323819858>

The public and stakeholders are encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda in writing.

You may submit written comments to the project webpage at: <http://ucanr.edu/carbonsinkact>

For further information about the project, please go to the following link: <http://ucanr.edu/carbonsinkact>

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PUBLIC/STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CARBON SINK ACT

Date:	September 5, 2014 (Friday)
Time:	9:00am to 12:00pm
Location:	Natural Resources Building Auditorium, 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California and via WebEx webinar at: https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/323819858
Invitees	Interested Public and Stakeholders

IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION

CONTACT INFORMATION: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice and agenda may contact Mark Rosenberg, Fire and Resource Assessment Program, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, (916) 445-5366. This agenda and the meeting notice is also available in electronic format on the project website (<http://ucanr.edu/carbonsinkact>)

INTERNET: The public/stakeholder meeting will be simultaneously webcast by WebEx for viewing, listening and meeting participation purposes. To register for the public/stakeholder meeting webinar, please go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/323819858>. The project team will be in attendance at the Resources Auditorium along with members of the public and stakeholders that choose to attend. Members of the public and stakeholders may register online at the Board's web site (<http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov> - scroll to: "Public/Stakeholder Meeting on the Carbon Sink Act Webinar") in advance of the meeting. The recorded webinar and PowerPoint presentations will be available on line after the meeting. *Public and stakeholder participation is in person at the meeting location and through the webinar using the 'raise hand' function.*

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SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

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PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION AT THE MEETING

The public and stakeholders are encouraged to participate at this meeting. This meeting will be facilitated by a moderator. Following the presentation of each agenda item, the moderator will allow time for clarifying questions, comments and other input from the public and stakeholders. Questions, comments and input will be recorded via the WebEx webinar and by a project team note taker, and subsequently posted on the project webpage <http://ucanr.edu/carbonsinkact>.

MEETING AGENDA

Time	Item	Lead/Presenter
9:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction • Housekeeping • Ground Rules • Project Overview • Science Advisory 	Peter Tittmann – UC Berkeley Center For Forestry
9:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Forestry View: AB 1504 Goals and Intent • Implementation 	George “YG” Gentry – Executive Officer, California Board of Forestry
9:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An RPF's approach to AB 1504 Compliance 	Bill Stewart – Forestry Specialist, UC Berkeley
9:55	Present and Receive Input On: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Laws, Policies, and Regulations • Measurement and Reporting Frequency • Temporal and Spatial Context for Analysis • Data and Data Sources • Forest Growth Models and Climate Models • Analytical Methods and Tools 	Moderator: Peter Tittmann – UC Berkeley Center For Forestry Presenters: Thomas Buchholz, Ph.D. and Timothy Robards, Ph.D., Spatial Informatics Group
12:00	Adjourn	