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Mr. John Laird
Secretary, Natural Resources Agency
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311
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Dear Secretary Laird,

Thank-you again for taking the time to meet with us last Friday. Face to face opportunities like our meeting help to develop personal relationships and understandings beneficial to tackling many of the challenges facing our Golden State. My colleagues and I appreciated the chance to listen to your views on resource issues, drawing upon your lengthy experience as a public official. Your unique background in Santa Cruz County has provided you with a great deal of insight into forest management issues. Now on a much larger and more demanding (100 million acres and 38 million people!) scale, we hope that CLFA can assist in helping you to understand the issues and land management practices used throughout the State. Our invitation to walk in the woods, with a forester is a standing invitation that you should always consider extended! CLFA would be more than happy to help arrange a tour for you and/or your staff, to visit a working forest and see examples of various forest management practices.

Once again, thank-you for the meeting. We hope that this level of personal access can be maintained and developed throughout your tenure as Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

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President
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cc: Mr. Frank Mulhair, CLFA Vice President
Mr. William Keye, CLFA Government Affairs Specialist

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 Law.