California Board of Forestry

Licensing Update

Number of Valid Registrants

Historic

Fiscal Year	RPFs
1986-87	1,900
1987-88	1,863
1988-89	1,710
1989-90	1,753
1990-91	1,592
1991-92	1,553
1992-93	1,506
1993-94	1,496

Recent

Fiscal Year	RPFs
2018-19	1,132
2019-20	1,125
2020-21	1,103
2021-22	1,108
2022-23	1,127

RPF/CRM Employment Survey 2022

Location	RPF Total	RPF %	CRM Total	CRM %
State	59	15%	4	16%
Federal	13	3%	1	4%
Local Government	11	3%		0%
Private Industry	99	24%		0%
Private Consulting	98	24%	10	40%
Retired	105	26%	6	24%
Education	7	2%	2	8%
Other	13	3%	2	8%
Total	405	100%	25	100%

Renewals for RPFs >30 Years	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total Set to Renew(Includes Reinstatements)	322	295	308	252
Withdrawal	15	21	18	10
Voluntary Relinquishment	13	30	22	20
Deceased	3	12	6	4
Revoked for Non-Payment	19	19	13	9
Total Valid Remaining	272	213	249	209
Total RPF Remaining Including Withdrawal	287	234	267	219

Historic RPF Exam Scores 1979 to 2019
Exam Avg 1979 - 2000 = 46.1
Exam Avg 2001 - 2019 = 43.8
Exam Avg 1979 - 2019 = 44.9
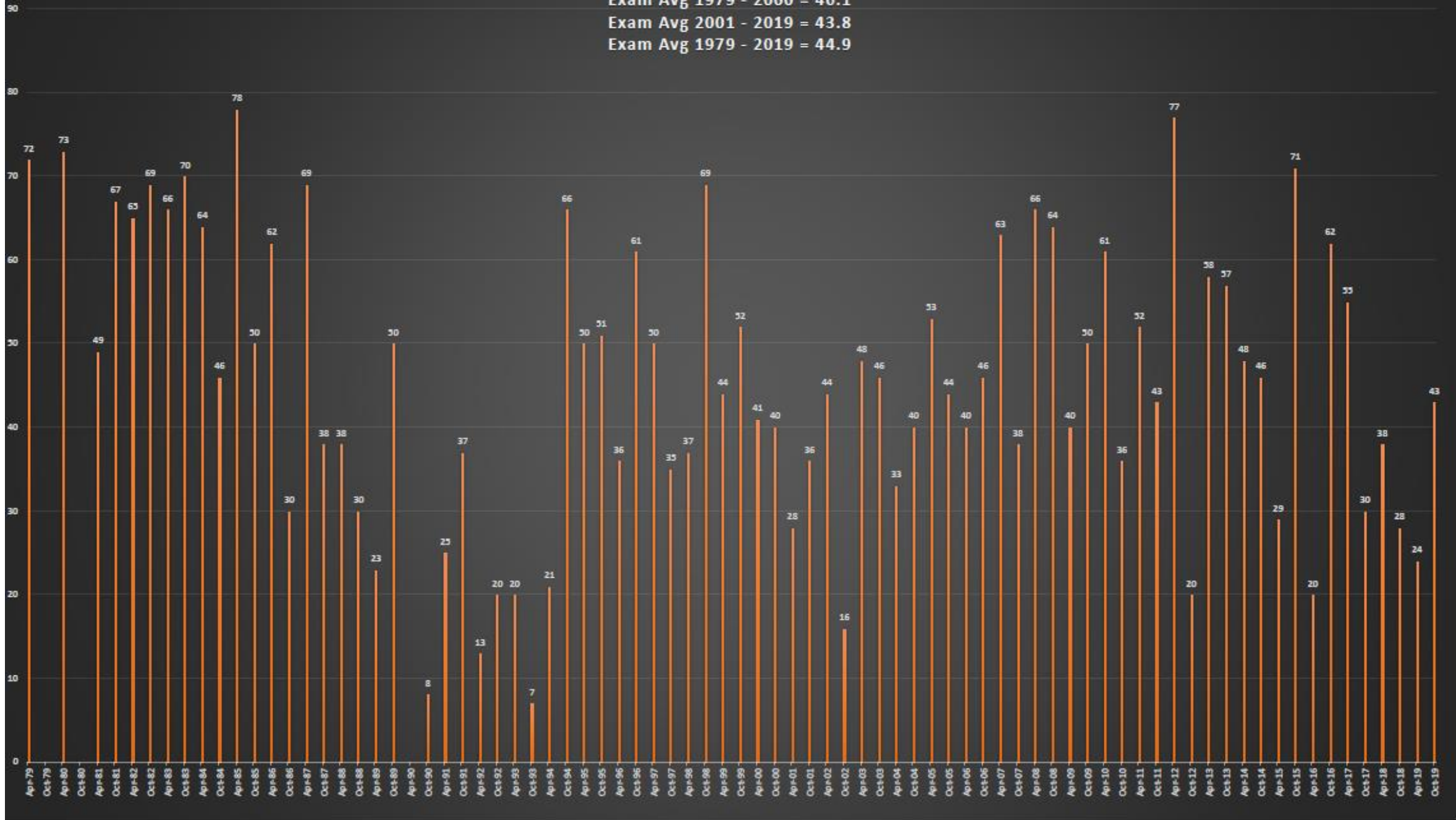
Cal Poly BSF

Exam Date	# Test Takers	S.A. 1	Men 2	Ecol 3	Silv 4	Prot 5	Eng 6	Econ 7	Adm 8	Pol 9	Ma 10	Score	% 1st time	% Pass
Apr-17	3	63.5			68.7	96.0	69.3	55.0	50.0	71.7	56.7	80.0	67.0		33%
Oct-17	2	58.5	64.0	90.0	61.0	91.0	95.0	51.0	64.0	81.5		71.5		50%
Apr-18	5	56.0	87.5	74.0	51.0	77.6	75.0	83.0	16.3	82.2	74.6	68.6	80%	40%
Oct-18	3	44.8	60.8	82.3	42.5	78.0	50.8		81.3	55.5	69.0	63.3	67%	33%
Apr-19	10	70.9	86.3	75.5	60.0	79.9	75.3	77.3	73.1	64.9	71.7	73.4	40%	50%
Oct-19	4	77.4	89.5	62.4	82.0	77.9	66.6		63.5	71.2	77.5	75.4	50%	75%
Oct-20	3	80.6	45.7	49.7	17.0	23.8	27.2	43.7	68.5	60.0	20.5	72.8	100%	33%
Apr-21	7	57.9	28.4	52.2	5.9	51.3	58.0	18.9	39.5	15.1	34.3	60.2	29%	29%
Oct-21	7	72.2	70.4	75.7	0.0	76.8	74.7	73.3	66.5	67.7	86.0	74.1	57%	43%
	44	64.6	66.6	70.0	46.2	69.5	64.2	56.7	60.5	61.6	64.2	69.6	60%	43%

HSU BSF

Exam Date	# Test Takers	S.A. 1	Men 2	Ecol 3	Silv 4	Prot 5	Eng 6	Econ 7	Adm 8	Pol 9	Ma 10	Score	% 1st time	% Pass
Apr-17	7	65.0	73.0	77.8	74.7	80.0	58.8	74.8	74.7	81.5	74.4	73.7	57%	57%
Oct-17	10	43.5	54.4	77.1	56.7	87.0	79.5	57.5	54.2	80.6	60.0	65.6	60%	20%
Apr-18	10	57.0	73.0	46.5	53.9	77.7	43.0	45.8	46.1	84.0	65.4	62.9	80%	30%
Oct-18	10	67.5	66.3	68.8	54.6	78.6	74.9	75.5	73.9	65.8	69.5	66.2	20%	30%
Apr-19	20	54.7	68.5	61.6	60.7	65.8	69.6	29.1	60.7	57.1	66.0	63.1	60%	25%
Oct-19	19	57.1	68.7	73.1	64.7	64.6	63.7	52.5	47.7	62.7	77.0	61.2	37%	26%
Oct-20	23	38.5	52.0	28.5	61.9	32.0	26.9	37.2	45.0	70.8	37.2	71.7	30%	52%
Apr-21	20	55.6	15.6	56.2	8.1	65.5	78.7	33.0	39.5	21.5	33.7	67.9	55%	30%
Oct-21	16	61.8	64.0	73.8	25.9	64.0	73.6	49.6	70.0	57.2	79.5	63.1	38%	19%
	135	55.6	59.5	62.6	51.2	68.4	63.2	50.6	56.9	64.6	62.5	66.1	49%	32%

UCB BSF

Exam Date	# Test Takers	S.A. 1	Men 2	Ecol 3	Silv 4	Prot 5	Eng 6	Econ 7	Adm 8	Pol 9	Ma 10	Score	% 1st time	% Pass
Apr-17	1	64.0			94.0	84.0	85.0		90.0	82.0		83.0	100%	100%
Oct-17	3	61.7	60.0	69.0	65.5	89.0	77.5	90.5	99.0	87.3	80.0	76.3	100%	67%
Apr-18	2		93.0	95.0	50.0	86.5		76.0	81.0	92.0	81.5	83.1	100%	100%
Oct-18	2	73.5	78.0	84.0	80.5	84.0	89.5	86.5	82.8	82.3		82.5	100%	100%
Apr-19	2		88.0	74.8		90.0			56.5	72.3	78.8	76.7	100%	50%
Oct-19	6	75.5		86.0		81.0			50.5	85.0	79.5	76.3	67%	83%
Oct-20	1	64.0			77.0	82.5		93.5	83.0			81.7		100%
Apr-21	0													0%
Oct-21	1	47.0	72.5	49.5				90.5		37.0	68.0	60.8	100%	0%
	18	64.3	78.3	76.4	73.4	85.3	84.0	87.4	77.5	76.8	77.6	77.5	95%	67%

Exam Date	# Test Takers	S.A. 1	Men 2	Ecol 3	Silv 4	Prot 5	Eng 6	Econ 7	Adm 8	Pol 9	Ma 10	Score	% 1st time	% Pass
Apr-17	4	75.0	62.7	61.0	71.0	78.7	62.5	89.0	71.0	84.5	79.5	72.8	50%	75%
Oct-17	5	50.7	51.8	83.0	72.7	77.0	79.6	76.0	69.5	83.5		71.2	100%	40%
Apr-18	6	58.0	81.8	55.5	58.5	75.0	38.0	75.8	62.0	75.0	75.0	70.8	67%	50%
Oct-18	6	61.5	70.7	74.2	57.0	70.4	68.2		76.0	56.3	57.3	66.7	50%	17%
Apr-19	4	62.3		69.9	26.5	63.8	75.0	72.0	69.8	51.0	79.2	66.1	25%	0%
Oct-19	6	73.8		75.0		76.0	81.5	83.0			77.0	77.7	50%	67%
Oct-20	7	82.0	24.1	32.4	59.2	45.1	23.9	46.0	53.4	87.6	32.4	81.0	71%	100%
Apr-21	3	68.9	43.3	27.2	25.2	45.5	59.7	41.7	11.7	20.5	45.3	64.8	33%	0%
Oct-21	6	63.6	78.0	69.6	31.2	68.5	60.1	62.1	62.9	67.0	81.5	60.6	67%	17%
	47	66.2	58.9	60.8	50.2	66.7	60.9	68.2	59.5	65.7	65.9	70.2	57%	41%

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Oct-17	2		52.0	44.0	61.0	52.0	71.0		61.5	67.0	49.0	58.0	50%	100%
Apr-18	4	63.0	94.0	43.7	60.0	80.8		64.0	24.7	85.3	74.0	67.4	50%	25%
Oct-18	7	57.9	69.5	67.0	72.5	74.5	85.0	86.8	78.7	59.5	55.4	61.0	71%	29%
Apr-19	14	63.9	68.5	63.8	55.6	61.2	64.4	65.6	65.1	62.1	68.0	64.4	57%	14%
Oct-19	10	83.5		92.5	77.5		89.5			78.5	88.5	85.0	30%	30%
Oct-20	11	45.6	43.5	54.0	51.4	11.5	32.1	8.4	49.0	70.5	53.2	69.9	45%	45%
Apr-21	7	59.2	27.9	60.5		77.9	63.1	43.6	41.7	36.4	28.4	73.1	71%	57%
Oct-21	9	63.3	71.2	70.0	25.1	69.4	64.4	60.6	70.1	65.3	85.5	64.3	78%	33%
	68	62.7	60.9	62.7	59.7	63.0	61.9	59.3	57.0	65.0	62.5	67.7	59%	43%

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Apr-17	1	59.0		41.0	75.0		69.0	69.0			71.0	64.0		0%
Oct-17	1	47.0			47.0	45.0	27.0				19.0	31.0		0%
Apr-18	2	38.5		83.0	57.0	74.5		40.0	27.5	89.0	46.5	53.3		0%
Oct-18	1	21.5	64.5	17.0				70.5	79.0		14.0	44.4	100%	0%
Apr-19	1			50.0	68.0	86.0			83.0	72.5	76.0	72.6		0%
Oct-19	2		91.0	82.5		72.5			87.0	88.0	89.0	85.0	50%	0%
Oct-20	2	54.4	23.8	34.5	32.5	37.5	0.0	56.8	73.3	82.0		65.8		100%
Apr-21	2	33.8	71.0	72.3		51.0	72.0	63.5	84.5	75.0	45.0	62.2	50%	0%
Oct-21	3	52.0	44.3	61.2		61.8	57.3		61.5	61.0	14.5	57.7	67%	0%
	15	43.7	58.9	55.2	55.9	61.2	45.1	60.0	70.8	77.9	46.9	59.6	67%	11%

Averages All

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Apr-17	20	65.0	65.0	69.0	76.0	77.0	56.0	75.0	72.0	70.0	73.0	67.5%	71%	55%
Oct-17	23	53.0	55.0	76.0	60.0	71.0	77.0	71.0	62.0	81.0	53.0	66.5%	78%	30%
Apr-18	29	55.0	80.0	74.0	55.0	78.0	70.0	55.0	45.0	86.0	65.0	60.5%	75%	38%
Oct-18	29	58.9	67.3	68.8	60.8	75.3	72.5	80.3	77.0	62.3	62.0	62.8%	68%	31%
Apr-19	51	64.1	73.8	64.7	61.7	68.9	71.6	63.6	68.9	60.3	69.6	66.3%	56%	25%
Oct-19	47	73.5	83.1	78.6	74.7	74.4	75.3	67.8	62.2	77.1	81.4	61.2%	47%	43%
Oct-20	47	60.9	37.8	39.8	49.8	38.7	22.0	47.6	62.0	74.2	35.8	72.7%	62%	55%
Apr-21	39	55.1	37.2	53.7	13.0	58.2	66.3	40.1	43.4	33.7	37.3	66.9%	48%	31%
Oct-21	42	60.0	66.7	66.6	20.5	68.1	66.0	67.2	66.2	59.2	69.2	65.3%	68%	23%
	327	60.6	62.9	65.7	52.4	67.7	64.1	63.1	62.1	67.1	60.7	65.5%	64%	37%
Avg. % Trying >		61%	46%	69%	51%	73%	58%	37%	69%	65%	68%			

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BY AND BETWEEN THE
CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF FORESTRY
AND
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOREST SERVICE
REGION V

September 27, 1992

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between the CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF FORESTRY (Board), and the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOREST SERVICE (USFS), Region V, for the purpose of clarifying the role of the Registered Professional Forester as it relates to the management of California's federally owned wildlands, and to provide guidance on how to deal with situations where federal and state authority overlap as it relates to the implementation of the Professional Foresters Law (PRC 750 et seq.).

Projects and Tasks Subject to Contracting on Federal Land:

		RPF Required	
	Project	Yes	No
1.	Silvicultural prescription review and/or approval	X	
2.	Volume estimations for timber sales (cruising)	X	
3.	Log Grading for timber sales (value estimating)	X	
4.	Installation of field plots for forest inventory, and examinations for compartment, stand and regeneration, when judgments about environmental conditions are involved.	X	
5.	Volume estimations for land exchanges	X	
6.	Determination of cumulative effects	X	
7.	Supervising, or analysis of and documentation for, compartment plans, timber sales, EA's, and forest plans.	X	

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8.	Marking of trees.	X	
9.	Vegetative mapping using aerial photos	X	
10.	Vegetation management evaluation & planning	X	
11.	T.S.I. (not premarked)	X	
12.	T.S.I. (premarked)		X
13.	Weeding or brush control by chemical or mechanical means.		X
14.	Transfer mapped data to base maps and associated drafting.		X
15.	Tree planting		X
16.	Cone collecting		X
17.	Slash clean-up		X
18.	Christmas Tree Culture (premarked)		X
19.	Scaling		X
20.	Site preparation		X
21.	Traversing or running profiles		X

Questions?