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February 2021 - Newsletter

President's Message Ariel Roughton, CLFA President

Only a month into the new year and it has been a busy one for all of us in the state and in the woods. Our state and nation continue to deal with COVID-19 and while far from returning to normal, there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Vaccinations are slowly becoming available across the state. Most importantly this means that forestry professionals considered essential workers under the food and agriculture sector are in some places able to schedule vaccination appointments or soon will be. I would like to remind everyone of this and encourage you to check on the vaccination tier in your local area. Information about our essential worker status can be found [here](#).

Due to health concerns of Covid-19, plans are under way for a virtual Annual Conference. Considering the logistical complexities of a virtual conference, our education committee has decided on a topic that is directly related to those of us actively practicing forestry in the state. Providing updates and opportunities for question and answer from related organizations so that everyone may come away from the meeting more informed. Despite this virtual format, we are optimistic that it will allow for increased attendance and participation at both the conference and annual business meeting. While the virtual nature of the conference is not ideal for the camaraderie we all enjoy, it has allowed us to offer free attendance to all members. We hope that everyone takes advantage of this and [registers soon](#).

Though we may not have drink tickets, we still plan to have a small online raffle and live auction following the conference. It is vital that we continue to fund the multiple scholarships offered by CLFA and encourage everyone's participation in this modified raffle to insure we meet our funding goals. To keep things interesting we will be live auctioning one item. [Please take a look at what items we have to offer and purchase tickets!](#)

The legislative cycle is getting under way and it is clear that that forest and fuels management will be high on the priority list for many. This means that we will have a busy next couple of months following bills and providing input and support as necessary. You'll find additional information on what is to come in this month's legislative update. While the Legislature picks up, things continue to move forward at the Board of Forestry as we watch multiple topics closely and are posed to provide feedback and comment when necessary.

The unseasonably nice weather at the beginning of this year allowed for an extension of the field season and extra time to accomplish much needed work. I am now happy to be writing this with a foot of much needed snow on the ground with much more to come. While planning and policy picks up, the forest is finally winding down.



Pictures from a classic winter week in the Sierra, broadcast burning to pile burning to a winter wonderland.



Legislation

Joe Starr—Committee Chair

Although things are beginning to unfold in Sacramento, the deadline to introduce new bills is February 19, 2021.

There are already a number of bills that CLFA will be watching closely. The following is a review of those bills:

- Assembly Member Bigelow is working on a bill to address the small timberland landowner exemption by making improvements to SB 901. This bill would increase the acreage a landowner could own from 100 acres to 300 acres. The language would also remove the limits on how many times the exemption could be used and would allow for the construction of temporary roads under the same restrictions that are provided for under the Forest Fire Prevention Exemption.
- Assembly Member Gallagher recently introduced AB 297. This bill aims to do multiple things including obtaining continuous GGRF funding, creating CEQA exemptions for small scale fuels reduction projects, and removing the sunset date on the 300 ft. Structure Protection Exemption as well as extending the exemption to 500 ft. Assembly Member Patterson is also working on putting together a bill that would remove the Structure Protection Exemption's sunset date.

CLFA will continue to monitor the progress of bills related to Forestry and Natural Resources in the coming weeks and will include a full breakdown of bills we will be tracking in 2021 in future newsletters as more unfolds in Sacramento.

Call for CLFA Board Members

CLFA is currently seeking new members for the Board of Directors - term 2021 to 2023.

CLFA provides a voice for RPFs at the California legislature, the Board of Forestry, the Regional Water Quality Control Boards, as well as the other Boards and Commissions that directly affect the practice of forestry in California. CLFA needs your support to maintain the strength and integrity of the RPF license as well as the long-term viability of our profession. Please consider being part of the solution and help CLFA maintain the relevancy of our profession. Being on the Board will ensure we can continue to add a rational, professional voice during the development of forest policies in California.

Please contact Kathleen Burr at admin@clfa.org or a Board member to find out more about this important role.



Forest Practice—BOF

Andrea Eggleton—Regulatory Rep to CLFA

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection met on January 19-20, 2021 via webinar. The next Board meeting is currently scheduled for March 2-3, 2021 and will be held via webinar. The agenda for the March meeting has not yet been published, however the agenda for the January meeting is available at:

<https://bofdata.fire.ca.gov/business/meeting-agendas-and-annual-schedules/>

Please bear with me on the following long report. The January Meeting includes many annual reports and February is a dark month for the BOF. I also apologize for some of the broken links in the last newsletter, as the BOF moved many items into their archived documents at the end of the year between the time the article was written and published. Archived materials can be found at: <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/business/monthly-board-binder-workshop-material-archives/>

The following is a summary of items of greatest interest to the RPF community from the January Board of Forestry Meeting:

Joint Committee Meeting Summary

Forest Practice Committee Business

- Joint Committee Meeting
 - Forest Practice Committee
 - Board staff presented a [draft plead of revised TRA #2](#) for consideration
 - General lack of support from all stakeholders present, including CAL FIRE, FLC, CFA, industry Board Members, CLFA, SPI, and CDFW
 - CDFW didn't feel it was the appropriate location (as they would prefer to see revisions to the regulatory text) or fully addresses the issue
 - BOF Staff was directed to evaluate the package more fully for legality and if it is accomplishing the Board's goals or addressing the issues identified in the draft Problem Statement on Botanical Resources
 - It seems likely that this rule package will be substantially revised or abandoned in favor of other Board action/guidance
 - This item is being closely monitored by CLFA.
 - Management Committee
 - Board Staff prepared a [presentation](#) reviewing the statutes that constrain the <3 Ac Conversion Exemption
 - Staff separated out the [<3 ac Conversion](#) and the [Utility Exemption](#) into different rule sections after direction from the workshop on Jan 5
 - Still dealing with how to provide flexibility within the <3 ac conversion exemption while being compliant with PRC §4584(g), which only provides for the one-time conversion of less than 3 acres to a nontimber use
 - Need to spend more time on the landowner rights pieces and noticing on the utility exemptions
 - Utility stakeholders did not participate, so the Board noted that it was difficult to make additional progress
 - CAL FIRE supports the current rule plead going to 45-day notice, but considering internally if they would support splitting the need for RPF involvement out by scale of the document, also extension of lifespan of the ROW exemptions
 - This item is being closely monitored by CLFA.
 - Resource Protection Committee
 - Continue work on permanent rule making on Fire Safe Regulations
 - Workshops coming up on Jan 27 and Feb 9

Full Board Meeting

1. Closed Session
2. Consent Calendar Items – December Board Meeting Minutes, [Rulemaking Matrix](#), [Appointment of Jessica Leonard](#) to the Effectiveness Monitoring Committee (4-year term), [Re-appointment of Bill Snyder](#) to the PFEC (4-year term)– approved
3. Monthly Board Reports
 - a. Chairman's Report – Dr. Keith Gillless
 - b. [CAL FIRE Director's Report](#) – Director Chief Porter



Forest Practice—BOF cont.

- i. Budget for CAL FIRE-specific programs in the Governor's budget within the Fire Resiliency Package – most of these are one-time funds
 - 1) Unit Fire Resiliency Projects - \$40 Million directly to the Units
 - 2) \$125 Million into Forest Health and Fire Prevention programs
 - 3) Tribal Fire Prevention - \$19 Million
 - 4) CFIP - \$10 million for this FY and another \$40 Million for next fiscal year, for a total of \$50 Million. Director has been having conversations with Forest Landowners of California and Association of Consulting Foresters regarding how to expand and permanently fund the program.
 - 5) Reforestation – Increases nursery budget by \$9 million
 - a. Working towards being able to grow ½ million seedlings per year. Also selling seeds from the seed bank to be grown elsewhere (approx. 1.4 million seedlings each of last two years)
 - 6) Forest Legacy – \$8 million
 - 7) Urban Forestry - \$13 million
 - 8) Monitoring and Research - \$15 million
 - 9) BOF VTP EIR Support - \$2 million
 - 10) Defensible Space Inspections - \$6 million
 - 11) Workforce Training - \$18 million
 - 12) Wildfire Land Use planning (working with the Counties) - \$5 million
 - 13) SB 901 - \$200 million this fiscal year and \$120 million this year from the GGRF funds for the Forest Health and Fire Prevention programs
- C. [Report and Annual Update from the USFS Region 5](#) – Randy Moore, Regional Director
 - Stewardship Agreement with State of CA - CCI has provided \$118 million to USFS Stewardship Projects – 75%/25% split to spending on Federal and State lands
 - Farm Bill Good Neighbor Authority
 - “Craggy” fuels project on the Klamath NF was successful in slowing the Badger Fire and assisting crews in suppression in June 2020
 - Timber Volume
 - Shipped 391 MMBF of timber (98% of target) – highest cut in last 12 years
 - FY 21 Targets – 430 MMBF total
 - Salvage = 108 MMBF
 - Green = 322 MBF
 - This will likely change and they will be flexible
 - Reforestation
 - Last year they planted 5,100 ac
 - Need is about 1.1 million ac
 - Working to increase seed stocks and nursery capacity
 - Research teams are working to inform reforestation efforts in light of climate change – this has paused or slowed some of the reforestation efforts to make sure they are taking this into account
 - Many BOF questions and comments on how to increase the USFS reforestation response
 - Species Conservation Planning
 - Habitat improvement work
 - Working to address intrusion of barred owl in to NSO/CSO habitat
 - Fuels Reduction
 - Treated 212,000 acres total (~90% of their target) in FY 2020
 - Mechanical: 160,000 ac
 - RX Fire: 52,000 ac
 - Fire Suppression
 - 2.5 Million ac burned on USFS lands in 2020
 - Biomass and Infrastructure
 - USFS invested \$2.4 Million since 2018 into grants
 - Researching new market opportunities for small diameter material for biomass energy – asking for the BOF and CAL FIRE assistance to identify and improve this market



Forest Practice—BOF cont.

- d. [California's Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan Presentation](#) by Patrick Wright, Interim Director, Forest Management Task Force
 - i. Key Goals of the Action Plan
 1. Increase Pace and Scale of Forest Health Projects
 2. Strengthen Protection of Communities
 3. Manage Forests to Achieve the State's Economic and Environmental Goals
 4. Drive Innovation and Measure Progress
- e. Executive Officer Report
 - i. Update on Governor's January 10 DRAFT Budget – Jessica Morse (the budget items detailed by Director Porter above are a portion of the funds listed below).
 1. \$1.2 Million for the Board of Forestry to develop regulations/guidance for fuels within the 0-5 foot zone around homes/buildings
 2. Significant investment in Forest and Fire Resilience (\$512 Million to be allocated across different landowner types), in addition to the \$200 million from the Cap and Trade funds
 - a) Restore natural fire regime through landscape scale treatments
 - b) Protect communities with large-scale, coordinated fuelbreaks
 - c) Protect homes and infrastructure with structural hardening, ingress/egress improvements, etc
 3. \$50 Million for CFIP
 4. \$14 Million for the Forest Legacy Program for forest conservation
 5. Direct funding for state land managers 3 million acres of State-owned lands (State Parks, CDFW, the State Lands Commission, CA-Tahoe Conservancy lands)
 6. \$170 million for Forest Health Grant Program
 7. \$20 million for Tribes to support active tribal management and learn from tribal managers to incorporate Traditional Ecological Knowledge into state Forest Management practices
 8. \$70 Million to Sierra Nevada Conservancy to fund their shovel-ready projects for fire resilience
 9. Increasing the Fire Prevention Grant program for community wildland fuel breaks, home hardening administered by Cal Fire and available to communities; increasing hand crews at CAL FIRE and funding more forestry crews within the CA Conservation Corps (\$20 million for CCC alone)
 10. \$85 Million for Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program at the Department of Conservation funds community plans for coordinating local projects and provide money for CEQA
 11. \$25 million for home hardening efforts with other matching funds for a \$100 million to help low-income homeowners make retrofits on their homes
 12. \$40 million for ecological monitoring, remote sensing, adaptive management
 13. \$24 million in workforce training, higher education, low interest loans for forest management-related businesses
 14. \$2 million for BOF for Cal VTP-related outreach, program promotion/education, identifying future cooperators/collaborators, etc
 - ii. Staffing Update
 1. Announcement of appointment of staff Environmental Scientist – Christina Wolf, PhD in Ecology from UC Davis and a Certified Rangeland Manager
 - iii. Working with the Coastal Commission to address forest management activities and challenges within the Coastal Zone
 - iv. Update on the development of the DRAFT Research Plan (PRC § 4789.6)
 1. Thank you to all who participated in the Research Priorities Survey – the Board will be synthesizing the results into a report shortly
- f. Presentation of the DRAFT Annual Report and discussion of 2021 Board priorities
 1. Final [BOF Annual Report](#), including summaries of work completed in 2020 and priorities for 2021 business in each committee below:
 2. Draft [Forest Practice Committee Priorities](#)
 3. Draft [Management Committee Priorities](#)
 3. Draft [Resource Protection Committee Priorities](#)
- g. Report of the Licensing Officer
 - Congratulations to the 26 newest RPFs!!!
 - 55% pass rate on the October exam
 - [RPF-CRM Vital Statistics Report](#)



Forest Practice—BOF cont.

- h. Effectiveness Monitoring Committee – Review of the Annual Report and Workplan
 - Board action was delayed to the March meeting to allow more time for Board members to review
- i. Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation
 - Identified 4 projects and Cal Fire has chosen 2 projects – small mills and mass timber
 - More information will be available at the March meeting



Water/Wildlife/Botany

Mark Pugsley — Committee Chair

Upcoming Event



Northern Spotted Owl Stake Holder Forum

The Northern Spotted Owl Stakeholder Forum is set to take place February 25th from 9am-5pm via teleconference. All interested stakeholders are encouraged to attend. No agenda is available.

Link to register: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5476828358052360461>

WATER QUALITY

Region 1-North Coast: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast>

The Board last met on December 10th & 11th via teleconference. No forestry action items were on the agenda. Minutes are not yet available, but the agenda is. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_info/board_meetings/12_2020/

The next meeting is scheduled for February 4th via teleconference. No forestry action items on agenda. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_info/board_meetings/02_2021/index.html

Region 2- San Francisco Bay

The Board last met on December 16th via teleconference. No forestry action items were on the agenda. Minutes are not yet available, but the agenda is. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/agendas/2020/December/12-16-20.pdf

The next meeting is scheduled for February 10th via teleconference. No agenda is available at this time.

Region 3-Central Coast: <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/>

The Board last met on January 7th, 8th, and 29th via teleconference. No forestry action items were on the agenda. Minutes are not yet available, but the agenda is. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2021/01_jan_07/index.html

The next meeting is scheduled for April 14th, 15th, and 16th via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available

Region 5-Central Valley: <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/>

The Board last met on December 10th via teleconference. No forestry action items were on the agenda. Minutes are not yet available but the agenda is. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/2020/2012ag.pdf

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18th and 19th via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available.



Water/Wildlife/Botany cont.

Region 6-Lahontan: <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/>

The Board last met on January 13th and 14th via teleconference . No forestry action items were on the agenda. Minutes are not yet available but the agenda is. Agenda: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_info/agenda/2021/january_2021_agenda_announcement.pdf

The next meeting is scheduled for March 10th and 11th Via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available.

WILDLIFE

California Fish and Game Commission

The Board last met on January 12th via teleconference. A discussion occurred regarding the Commission's rescinding of listing status for four bumble bee species under the California Endangered Species Act as a result of November 2020 Court Ruling. Agenda: <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=185079&inline>

The next meeting is scheduled for February 10h via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available.

United States Fish and Wildlife Service

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Director Aurelia Skipwith Steps Down. (Press Release Link: https://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ref=the-u.s.-fish-and-wildlife-director-aurelia-skipwith-steps-down&_ID=36842)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Revises Critical Habitat for Northern Spotted Owl
press release link: <https://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ID=0A170C95-9EF0-4E44-B5FD66E4EE024D63>

The final rule is available online at <https://public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2021-00484.pdf>.



Licensing

Robert Little—Committee Chair

From: Robert Little, CLFA Licensing Chair, representing committee members Ricky Shurtz and Matt Bissell

January 27, 2021: Report from the Licensing Committee.

BOF Webpage update: The Board and PFEC have been receiving many inquiries about accessing Licensing News and the CAL FIRE-CalTREES site. Links to this information has been added into the “Professional Foresters Registration Links”. <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/professional-foresters-registration/> *(inset right, look for the dark green banner)*



Professional Foresters Examining Committee Meeting. The January 13, 2021 Professional Foresters Examining Committee (PFEC) meeting was held remotely and the following items were addressed during Open session:

- The Board recognized outstanding service by two long-term members of the PFEC. Chair Otto van Emmerik (22 years), and member Gerald Jensen (19 years). CLFA extends a sincere appreciation to the enduring dedication these two individuals provided to the PFEC committee.
- RPF Frank Mulhair was appointed to Chair of the PFEC by Dr. J. Keith Gilless, Chair of the BOF. RPF William Snyder has been reappointed for a four-year term as a member of the PFEC.
- Applications for two open seats on the PFEC (Industry member, and Government member) have been received and are under review.

The next PFEC Meeting is February 25, 2021. Topics include:

- Work from October on the Professional Foresters Registration Program Policies of the Board will be continued during this meeting.
- Discussion about the role of the RPF on Forested Landscapes is expected to become a frequented topic in future meetings of the PFEC.

October 2020 RPF/CRM Exam Results: On January 20, 2021, The Board of Forestry (BOF) posted results and demographics from this exam. The pass rate was 55%. More information can be found at: <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/professional-foresters-registration/rpf-crm-examinations/>

RPF Exam Preparation Seminar for 2021: The Exam Prep seminar is scheduled for February 2nd. The presentation format will be remotely supported. The full logistics and details are available on the CLFA webpage. <https://www.clfa.org/conferences-and-workshops> These events will continue to follow Covid-19 protocols and State guidance.

RPF Exam Information: T

- The next RPF examination is April 9, 2021. If you wish to apply for the next exam, submit your updated application along with a check for \$200.00 postmarked prior to February 5, 2021. Make checks payable to: PROFESSIONAL FORESTERS REGISTRATION.
- Returning exam takers, you need only complete page one through the preferred exam location section, update your work history if you changed jobs, and sign and date the last page. You can send it via email directly to the Foresters Licensing Assistant Executive Officer, dan.stapleton@bof.ca.gov You will not be required to submit another transcript if you apply for the examination within two years of your previous examination.

Three exam locations are already confirmed and additional sites may be added depending on the number of approved applicants.

- **Humboldt**, Agriculture Building
- **Redding**, IOOF Hall
- **Shingle Springs**, Community Center

RPF/CRM Licensing: The current status of RPF and CRM licenses is available on the Board of Forestry webpage under the “Projects and Programs” tab. Link provided. <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/professional-foresters-registration/rpf-crm-rosters/>



Newly Licensed RPFs

The California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) has reviewed and certified the October 4, 2020 RPF and CRM Exam results. The following individuals are recommended for licensing as Registered Professional Foresters (RPF) by the PFEC:

RPF No.	3113	Michael Mattocks	RPF No.	3126	Michael Vogele
RPF No.	3114	Yanik Zuluaga	RPF No.	3127	Olivia Fiori
RPF No.	3115	Louis Schipper	RPF No.	3128	Kate Anderson
RPF No.	3116	David Erickson	RPF No.	3129	Bendigo Aufdermaur
RPF No.	3117	Erich Coulter	RPF No.	3130	Seamus Fleming
RPF No.	3118	Brandon McClintic	RPF No.	3131	Ryan Camera
RPF No.	3119	Arron Cox	RPF No.	3132	Corey Bingaman
RPF No.	3120	Dennis McCorkle	RPF No.	3133	Jessica Hinojosa
RPF No.	3121	Ricky Satomi	RPF No.	3134	Timothy Keeseey
RPF No.	3122	Gregory Black	RPF No.	3135	Conor Reynolds
RPF No.	3123	Zachary Jackson	RPF No.	3136	Noam Knopf-Boyer
RPF No.	3124	Milan Yeates	RPF No.	3137	Julie Navarre
RPF No.	3125	Sam Jacobszoon	RPF No.	3138	Catherine Benedict

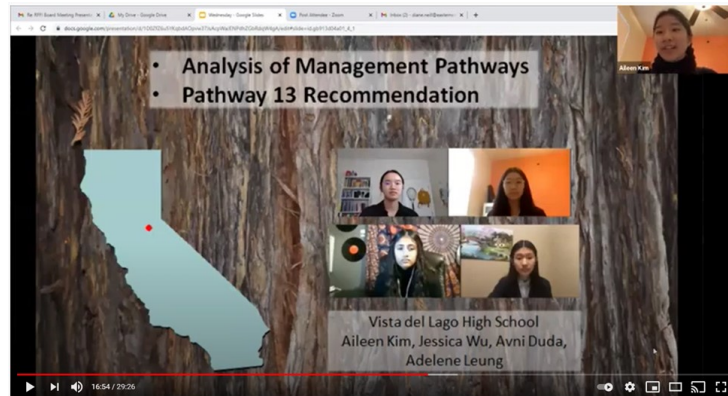
California Licensed Foresters Association would like to congratulate and welcome the newly licensed RPFs to the forestry family. CLFA would like to invite each of you to a one year free voting membership. Please contact Kathleen Burr at admin@clfa.org for more information. Each of you are also welcome to attend your local breakfast meeting. Dates, times, and locations for each breakfast group is located on the CLFA website. www.clfa.org



Forestry Challenge Update

Diane Dealey Neill

The 2020 Virtual Forestry Challenge is about wrapped up. On January 27 some of the top teams presented their forest management plans to the Redwood Forest Foundation during a virtual board meeting. Click on the photo to view the presentation:



To address the 30% of the Usal Forest that is classified as a Mixed Hardwood Conifer stand, with a disproportionately high percentage of tanoak, many of the top teams recommended frilling (hacking and squirting) the tanoak first, then conducting a selection harvest fifteen years later. They contended that this approach was the best course of action to meet RFFI’s goal of increasing the percentage of conifers while being economically feasible. The Board also heard from another team that preferred a variable retention harvest in year 0 with a frilling treatment in year 15.

Another wrap up activity is summarizing the student evaluation forms. Here are some results for certain questions and the takeaways:

Please rate the following parts of the event:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Study Modules	20	36	12	1
Opening Lecture	36	25	7	1
Testing	12	29	22	6
Ask A Forester	32	28	7	2
Jeff Houser’s Office Hours	41	20	4	4

Interaction with the foresters during Ask a Forester and Jeff’s office hours received high ratings, and I appreciate all of the foresters who participated. Testing rated the lowest, which is understandable. Taking a “field test” online is neither easy nor rewarding.

When asked “what was your favorite part of the event”, the most frequent response was “contact with teammates”. The students appreciated the opportunity to work in teams, even though many had to do so from their homes.

Lastly, when asked “as a result of your participation, would you be more or less likely to participate in an in-person Forestry Challenge event”, 42 said more likely, 22 said no change, and only 5 said less likely. The message here is that, while the students were generally pleased with their virtual Forestry Challenge experience, they are anxious to get back out into the forest for some hands-on learning.

Although we doubt we will be able to have an invitational event in April, we are hopeful we’ll be able to conduct in-person events in the fall. The facilities have already been reserved and the dates are on the homepage of the [Forestry Challenge website](#).



Scholarship Donations

Thank you to the following members who made donations to the CLFA supported scholarships during the month of January 2021:

CLFA

- ◆ John Hughes
- ◆ Bernie Bush
- ◆ Robert Little
- ◆ Donald Osterhoudt
- ◆ Pete Ribar
- ◆ Thomas Smythe
- ◆ Jesse McNames
- ◆ Andrea Eggleton
- ◆ Doug Piirto
- ◆ Harold Johnson

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- ◆ Gaylord Biggs
- ◆ Richard Wade

Forestry Challenge.

- ◆ Shannon Johnson
- ◆ John Todd
- ◆ Jack Harvey
- ◆ Mitchell Haydon



Announcement

On January 15, 2021, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) issued a request for proposals for fire restoration projects on the Angeles National Forest and Los Padres National Forest (see Jim Bond's trailing message and this link: [Southern California Forests and Watersheds – Wildfires Restoration Grant Program](#)).

I am a project management consultant for NFWF, and wanted to make sure that your organization is aware of this restoration opportunity. I've attached a pdf of the RFP and RFP Appendix.

Eligible applicants include non-profit 501(c) organizations, state, local, and municipal government agencies, Tribal governments and organizations, educational institutions, and eligible federal agencies (research-based: USGS or USFS Research Station). Although for-profit companies are not eligible to apply for a grant, they may still participate in the program through partnerships with eligible applicants (e.g., nonprofit organizations or agencies that you may have worked with).

NFWF has posted a webinar that discusses the RFP in detail, which can be found at <https://www.nfwf.org/programs/southern-california-forests-and-watersheds/southern-california-forests-and-watersheds-wildfires-restoration-2021-request-proposals>

In addition to fire settlement funds for projects within the Powerhouse and Copper Fire boundaries, this RFP includes funding from the Arbor Day Foundation to support post-fire restoration of forests and woodlands throughout Southern California. ADF funding is not limited to any particular jurisdictional boundaries or specific wildfire events. I've attached a slide from NFWF's webinar that further describes the ADF funds.

Jim Bond and I would be glad to speak with you about this funding opportunity. Feel free to contact me or to reach out to Jim directly (Jim.Bond@nfwf.org; 415-243-3107) if you have questions about the RFP or any other aspect of the grant program.

Thank you for sharing this message broadly to your forestry contacts who may also be interested. Applications are due February 17, 2021.

Best,

Kathy

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2020 CLFA BOARD MEETING WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

BOARD MEETINGS

2021

- ◆ February 23, 2021—6:00 pm—8:00 pm—GoToMeeting
- ◆ March 4, 2021—11:00 am—4:00 pm—GoToMeeting
- ◆ April 20, 2021—6:00 pm—8:00 pm—GoToMeeting
- ◆ May 21, 2021—6:00 pm—CLFA Audit
- ◆ May 22, 2021—9:00 am—2:00 pm—TBD

CLFA WORKSHOPS / CONFERENCES

2021

- ◆ March 5, 2021—Spring Workshop — Will be Virtual
- ◆ **March 29—April 2, 2021—5-day Initial Archaeology —Class is full—class held in person**
- ◆ May 5 & 6, 2021—Archaeology Refreshers, Gaia Hotel & Spa, Anderson, CA
- ◆ **October 4-8, 2021—5-day Initial Archaeology—Class is full - Waiting list is available only**
- ◆ November 10 & 11, 2021—Archaeology Refreshers, Gaia Hotel & Spa, Anderson, CA

Brochures and registration for all workshops & conferences will be accessible on the CLFA website

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