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# California Licensed Foresters Association

March 2021 - Newsletter

## President's Message Ariel Roughton, CLFA President

As we find ourselves at the end of Black History Month and the beginning Women's History Month it seems the ideal time to use the President's Message to highlight some of the voices in these communities and how our profession has historically interacted with them. As our industry continues to move forward it is important that we recognize the past, learning from those experiences and how they might impact the decisions of the present day.

Rather than focus on my own words I'd instead like to suggest that you take the time to read and listen to the experiences and work of others. As someone who has benefited greatly from those that have paved the way from the 1900's to current day, I am honored to share some of their stories and histories. It is important to note that these backgrounds continue to be underrepresented in our field and while significant steps have been made, there is more work to be done by organizations and individuals alike to ensure our profession represents a diversity of background and thought.

The first voice I would like to highlight is that of Melody Mobley, the first black American woman to earn a bachelor's degree in forestry from the University of Washington in 1979. She later went on to become the first black woman forester for the US Forest Service. In "[A Black Woman Who Tried to Survive in the Dark, White Forest](#)", Mobley shares perspectives and reflections on a 28-year career in the USFS working and living in spaces not historically open to someone of her background.

The second voice I would like to share comes from Amanda Monthei and her project "[The Women Before Me](#)" which explores the stories and experiences of women from the Mt. Hood National Forest Zigzag hotshot crew, some of the first women to work in that capacity.

For a broader history and understanding of Women and African Americans in Forestry I encourage everyone to consider taking a look at two Forest History Society references:

["New Faces, Same Old Values": Revisiting a History of Attitudes Towards Women in the Forest Service](#)" offers an excellent summary of the history of women, and other historically underrepresented groups, in the USFS.

For history of African Americans and civil rights in the field of forestry you can view the recent presentation by historian and author Donna Sinclair – "From Invalids need not apply" to "Black Foresters Wanted": The Forest Service in the Civil Rights Era" – which can be found on the [Forest History Society's YouTube page](#).

I hope everyone takes the time to explore these resources and some of the many others that are available- and that they can shed light on an important aspect of our history while inspiring us all to continue our work as foresters with an increased appreciation for both our past and present.



**Left:** Hallie Daggett, first female lookout hired in 1913, at the Eddy's Gulch Lookout on the Klamath National Forest (Source: Siskiyou County Museum)  
**Right:** Members of the all black Triple Nickles 555<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry responsible for parachuting into U.S. forests to fight fires set by Japanese incendiary bal-



Ariel Roughton  
CLFA President



## Legislation Joe Starr—Committee Chair

On March 4, 2021, the CLFA Legislation Committee will be holding their annual legislative meeting with members of the Board, community, and CLFA Members. This meeting will be held virtually from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Brian White, KP Public Affairs will be presenting bills of interest at this meeting. Attached to this email is Brian's "bill status report" and "list of bills of interest" to CLFA for discussion at this meeting.

Two attachments for your review. Any comments please send to either Joe Starr at [Jstarr@spi-ind.com](mailto:Jstarr@spi-ind.com) or to Kathleen at [admin@clfa.org](mailto:admin@clfa.org) and they will be discussed at this meeting.

Joe Starr

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## 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](mailto:admin@clfa.org) or a Board member to find out more about this important role.

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## Scholarship Donations

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

### CLFA

- Kathleen Edwards
- David Van Lennep

### Roy Richards

- Kathleen Edwards



## Forest Practice—BOF

### Andrea Eggleton—Regulatory Rep to CLFA

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (BOF) met last 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. February was a dark month for the BOF, and therefore no meeting was held in February. The agendas for the January and March meetings are available at:

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

The materials for the meeting are not yet posted as of the date of writing the newsletter, but will be available at the following link prior to the meeting: <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/business/>

#### **The following is a summary of items of greatest interest to the RPF community on the March agenda.**

Committee Meetings – In March, individual Committee Meetings will be held again, as opposed to the Joint Committee Meeting that has been held for the past several months.

#### Forest Practice Committee

1. Discussion of Botanical Issues within the Timber Harvest Process – Eric Hedge, Regulations Program Manager or Matt Dias, Executive Officer
  - a. Discussion and review of DRAFT letter to Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding membership to CNDDDB
  - b. Update on interagency discussions addressing problem statements and the potential development of a Board Guidance Memorandum outlining process on scoping, assessment and protection of botanical resources to be addressed in the Plan process
2. Discussion of potential regulatory amendments to the Prohibition of Broadcast Burning for Slash Treatment in the Southern Subdistrict of the Coast Forest District – 14 CCR §§ 917.3 – 917.4 – Eric Hedge, Regulations Program Manager or Matt Dias, Executive Officer
3. Update on Reporting to Legislature on Exemptions and Emergency Notices (PRC § 4589)

#### Management Committee

1. Staff update on potential amendments to Less Than 3 Acre Conversions Exemption - 14 CCR § 1104.1 *et seq.* – Eric Hedge, Regulation Program Manager or Matt Dias, Executive Officer
2. Staff update on potential amendments to Utility Right of Way Conversion Exemptions - 14 CCR § 1104.1 *et seq.* – Eric Hedge, Regulation Program Manager or Matt Dias, Executive Officer

#### Resource Protection Committee

1. Land Use Planning Program Update – Matt Damon, Deputy Chief, CAL FIRE Land Use Planning
2. Discussion of DRAFT Fire Risk Reduction Communities Rule Plead - 14 CCR § 1268 *et seq.*
3. Discussion of Subdivision Findings Reporting Form – 14 CCR § 1266.02
4. Safety Element Review Update – Claire McCoy, Wildfire Planning Specialist
  - a. City of Auburn

#### Full Board Meeting

1. Possible Action Items
  - a. Re-adoption of Finding of Emergency for Fire Safe Regulations
  - b. Permanent Rulemaking for the Fire Safe Regulations
2. Special Presentations
  - a. “Accelerate Firewise Development” – US Green Building Council
  - b. 2019 Update on Forest Carbon Accounting Reporting – Nadia Tase, Senior Environmental Scientist, CAL FIRE FRAP
  - c. Effects of Forest Management & Wood Utilization on Carbon Sequestration & Storage in California - Kendall DeLyser, Senior Manager of Forests and Climate, American Forests



## Water/Wildlife/Botany

Mark Pugsley — Committee Chair

### WATER QUALITY

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

The Board last met on February 21st 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/02\\_2021/index.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_info/board_meetings/02_2021/index.html)

The next meeting is scheduled for April 15th via teleconference. No forestry action items on agenda. Agenda not available

#### **Region 2- San Francisco Bay** <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/>

The Board last met on February 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/sanfranciscobay/board\\_info/agendas/2021/February/2-10-21.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/agendas/2021/February/2-10-21.pdf)

The next meeting is scheduled for March 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](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 February 18th 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/2021/2102ag.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/2021/2102ag.pdf)

The next meeting is scheduled for April 22nd and 23rd via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available.

#### **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](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 Department of Fish and Wildlife**

The Northern Spotted Owl Stakeholder Forum took February 25th via teleconference

Agenda: <https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Timber/NSO-Forum#536642809-2021>

#### **California Fish and Game Commission**

The Board last met on February 10th via teleconference. No forestry action items. Agenda: <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=187993&inline>

The next meeting is scheduled for April 14th via teleconference; the agenda is not yet available.



## Water/Wildlife/Botany cont.

Crotch bumble bee (*Bombus crotchii*), Franklin's bumble bee (*Bombus franklini*), Suckley cuckoo bumble bee (*Bombus suckleyi*), and western bumble bee (*Bombus occidentalis*) are no longer candidates for listing under the California Endangered Species Act (CESA) as a result of a November 2020 Sacramento Supreme Court ruling that sided with a challenge that the DFG Commission does not have the power to grant CESA protections to insects.



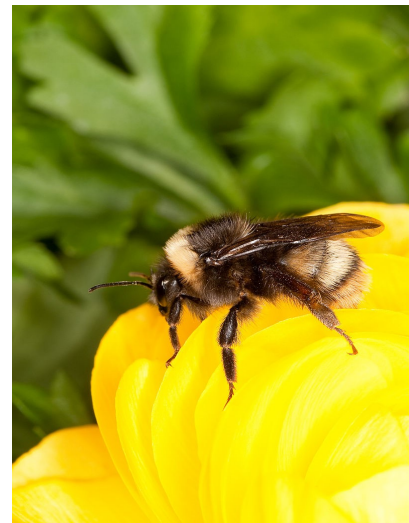
Crotch bumble bee (*Bombus crotchii*)



Franklin's bumble bee (*Bombus franklini*)



Suckley cuckoo bumble bee  
(*Bombus suckleyi*)



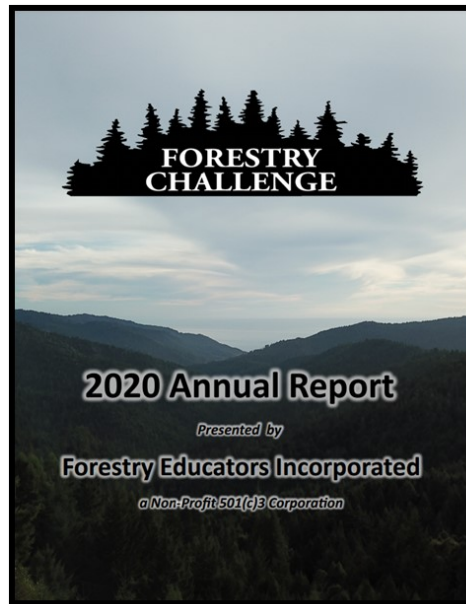
Western bumble bee (*Bombus occidentalis*)



## Forestry Challenge Update

Diane Dealey Neill

We are just going to print with the 2020 Annual Report. A link to the electronic version is available here at <http://www.forestrychallenge.org/>



The year 2020 presented us with some significant obstacles and challenged us to adapt, but we still managed to deliver the Forestry Challenge to over 220 students from all over California. Many CLFA members contributed as virtual Ask a Foresters and presentation judges, and all volunteers' photos are featured on page 5.

As we look ahead, we sincerely doubt we can have a spring invitational event but are hopeful the fall 2021 events will be in-person. We realize we may have to repeat an online event, but we are also considering a hybrid program if schools can only do one-day fieldtrips.



## CLFA Spring Conference

### *The Year in Review*

Friday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Virtual Conference

### AGENDA

12:30 pm 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm	<b>Log into meeting will be open</b> <b>Business Meeting</b> President – Ariel Roughton calls the meeting Treasurer’s Report – Joe Starr Board of Directors – Ariel Roughton will accept nominations for open board seats Licensing Committee Report – Robert Little Education Committee Report – Gwyndolyn Ozard Legislation Committee Report – Jason Wells Water/Wildlife Committee Report – Mark Pugsley Forest Practice Committee Report – Andrea Eggleton, FRST Corp.
1:50 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>Break</b>
2:00 pm - 2:10	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b>
2:10 pm – 2:40 pm	<b>Board of Forestry Update with Question and Answer</b> Matt Dias - Executive Office, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
2:40 pm – 3:10 pm	<b>California Department of Forestry and Fire Update with Question and Answer</b> Eric K. Huff, Staff Chief, Cal Fire HQ Forest Practice Program Len Neilson, Staff Chief, Prescribed Fire and Environmental Protection
3:10 pm – 3:40 pm	<b>Forest Management Task Force Update with Question and Answer</b> Helge Eng, Deputy Director, Resource Management Cal Fire
3:40 pm – 4:00 pm	<b>Open Question and Answer Period</b> All presenters and fellow RPFs
4:10 pm	<b>Scholarship Raffle</b>

*Thank you for attending!*

Any problems logging in please contact Kathleen 661.789.7683 or [admin@clfa.org](mailto:admin@clfa.org)



## 2020 CLFA BOARD MEETING WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### BOARD MEETINGS

#### 2021

- ◆ March 23, 2021—6:00 pm —8:00 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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