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President's Message

While we are moving forward into 2014, I want to update the membership on activities of the Board of Directors and Executive staff from 2013.

The legislative session ended in October with the Governor's signature of AB 904, the Working Forest Management Plan bill, and AB 744 that increased the utility of the fire hazard reduction exemption for fuel modification. However, legislative and regulatory work continues in the background. The Board of Forestry has taken on the regulatory challenge of providing small landowner relief. It is also possible that new legislation focused on small landowner relief may be introduced in 2014. The FLC Board is strongly committed to support both efforts. Some of the Board members also met with the Governor's staff, and senior staff of the Natural Resources Agency and Cal Fire to seek solutions for small landowners in late November.

In the meantime, the Board of Forestry has begun the development of regulations associated with AB 904. If you, or your forester, have comments or suggestions, please feel to contact Charll Stoneman, head of our Legislative Committee, Deidre, or myself and we will pass these on to the appropriate Board Committee and staff.

Through the generous efforts of Chuck Henderson, FLC was also able to provide a field tour of a large timber property in the Southern Sub-District of the Coast District. We were able provide a clear demonstration to a local state senator, representatives of two urban Assembly legislators, and a local supervisor that lands managed under an NTMP can enhance the environment, provide habitat for wildlife, reduce fire danger, and provide local employment.

Director Lisa Weger has directed FLC's efforts in coordination with representatives of the California Farm Bureau to mitigate the potential adverse impacts of listing the Northern Spotted Owl as a candidate species by the California Fish and Game Commission.

On a temporary basis, the Communications and Education Committee have been combined into the Communications Committee under the



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President's Message

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able direction of Tim Cookenboo. The Committee is working to improve the ability of the website to serve you with announcements of upcoming conferences and meetings and further improve the functionality of the website for members. I want to thank all of the members who took the time to respond to the FLC membership survey. A summary of the results is included as a separate article in this newsletter.

The Annual Meeting Committee is planning an exciting program in the Mount Shasta area on May 2-3, 2014. As an experiment, we have shortened the length of the meeting to two days in response to concerns expressed by members about cost.

Dues statements for 2014 were mailed in December with a request for an additional contribution for legislative efforts in 2014. For the reasons explained in those documents, I hope each of you will respond quickly so that we can finalize FLC's budget for next year; and for those of you who have mailed your dues and included contributions, we appreciate your continued support and investment.

Finally, I want to express my appreciation to all of you for your efforts this past year. Please feel free to contact Deidre or myself if you have suggestions for improving FLC during 2014.

Best wishes to all,

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The Rim Fire

By Ralph Gaarde

402 square miles and 257,000 acres are hard to comprehend but that was the final count of the third largest wildfire in California history and the largest fire ever in the Sierra Nevada (fire number one and two were sage brush and chaparral fires). The fire started August 17, 2013, and was fully contained on October 25—69 days later!

Just as difficult to comprehend is the estimate of USFS timber destroyed and already subject to beetles and blue stain of one Billion board feet (that is 1,000 million!) with authorization to date for sale of 2.15 Million Board feet.

Sierra Pacific Industries immediately proceeded with harvesting timber on their approximately 10,000 acres with log trucks making 150 to 200 trips daily from the devastated Tuolumne River drainage, seven (7) days a week until the rains, hopefully, arrive; even then, the consequences of the ashes and debris flow downstream to Don Pedro Reservoir and the effects on the domestic water quality of the Hetch Hetchy water system for Groveland and the San Francisco/Peninsula are unknown.

The devastated area included the major wintering grounds for the Stanislaus and Yosemite black tail deer herds as they migrate down from the higher elevations. The overall wildlife toll is feared to be major.

Several FLC and ATFS members sustained partial or total loss of their timber land, as well as losses of an estimated 100 head of cattle on summer range allotments.

Fortunately, our property escaped damage (within two miles) but we had to cancel our September 14, 2103 field day due, not only to the proximity of the fire, but to smoke, closure of roads, motels, B&Bs and campgrounds. We rescheduled the field day for June 21, 2014 and include an opportunity to see the fire consequences and the results of those who continue to be reluctant to support proper forest management and thinning.

Thanks to FLC's Jim Little who participated with his fire crew in the Highway 108 area during the Rim Fire fight.

We all have respect and thanks for the efforts of all the firefighters and personnel who worked on the fire, as well as those who continue to work to restore the devastation.



Photos courtesy of U.S. Department of Agriculture

Ask a Forester

(Reprint from 2013 Spring Newsletter)

Q: Can I still just file an NTO (Notice of Timber Operations) and start harvesting my timber?

~Member

A: Do not take it for granted that you can start harvesting immediately after submitting an NTO, and it is always smart to plan ahead several months. Are there any new species listed in your watershed; such as the "Pacific Fisher?" Are your growth and yield calculations out of date (usually 10-15 years)? Are there any physical changes to the watershed; e.g. mass soil movements, significant erosion, fire? Are any wildlife surveys required (Spotted owl, Marbled Murrelet, Willow Flycatcher, etc.)? All of these scenarios require an amendment be filed with CAL FIRE by your RPF. A minor amendment can take a week and a major amendment can take several weeks to receive approval.

~Dennis Possehn,
Consulting Forester

Legislative Success at Last— The Tale of Two Bills that Benefit You

Charll Stoneman, Legislative Committee Chair

Forest Landowners of California (FLC) had recent legislative success with the passage of AB 904 - the Working Forest Management Plan, which was actually initiated in the winter of 2011. During that year, 2011, your FLC Board had a number of discussions that this was an opportune time to initiate legislation to the benefit of California's forest landowner. With the perception that the "Timber Wars" were over and the persistent lag in the economy, the Legislature appeared to be more receptive to the consideration of forestry reform. Your Board discussed a number of ideas on reform that would benefit the forest landowner, and the two main needs that rose to the surface of the discussions were 1) increasing the Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan (NTMP) acreage limitation and 2) small timberland owner cost relief. Of the two proposals it was believed that the NTMP acreage limitation increase to 15,000 acres would be a far easier task to accomplish even though during past attempts it had failed in the legislature.

Once it was decided to tackle the acreage limitation of the NTMP the question was, do we address it in existing NTMP statute and simply request a change of the acreage number from 2,500 to 15,000 or would there be a need to create a whole new NTMP like program? The reasoning for the latter approach was that a number of FLC Board members raised concerns that opening up the existing NTMP statute would allow other potential revisions deemed important by the environmental community and/or the agencies. These suspicions would later prove to be well founded as a number of environmental stake holders wanted to see more public participation with each filing of the Notice of Timber Operations (e.g., the NTOs) and more monitoring procedures of the activities on the NTMP itself. In addition some staff within Cal Fire felt that the NTMP stand inventory process was lacking and there was a need for additional stand detail information to be provided under a standardized process. Also, some staff within Water Quality felt that ongoing and continuous documentation of potential erosion control sites under the NTMP process was needed and that each NTMP should have both an Erosion Control Plan (an ECP) and Road Plan incorporated into previously approved NTMPs that were lacking these documents. With these potential NTMP revi-

sion fears in mind the 2011 FLC Board tasked Bill Keye, who was contracted as a part-time Legislative Advocate for the association, to outline a problem statement on the acreage limitation of the NTMP and develop a legislative proposal for a Working Forest Management Plan that would be distinctly separate from the NTMP. This was done as a White Paper released in November 2011 under the coalition of Forest Landowners of California, California Licensed Foresters Association (CLFA) and the Buckeye Conservancy of Humboldt County. The Working Forest Management Plan that was introduced during the 2012 legislative session as AB 2170 (Chesbro) came under intense fire by members of the environmental community in the 11th hour before the bill was to be heard by the Assembly's Natural Resource Committee that Assemblyman Chesbro chaired. Hearing these late protests to AB 2170, Assemblyman Chesbro pulled the bill and thus ended any passage during the 2012 session. Assemblyman Chesbro subsequently asked that FLC and the other bill coalition sponsors conduct further outreach with interested supporters, conservation and conservancy groups, and those that opposed the bill to resolve the concerns that were raised late in the process. It was left in the fall of 2012 that a revised bill could be reintroduced in the 2013 session.

Along Came AB 1492

Near the close of the 2012 legislative session FLC was asked to join in the support of AB 1492, which was an urgency bill that came up very late in the legislative session. AB 1492 was a timber harvest reform budget trailer bill hammered out between the Brown Administration and the California Forestry Association.

A nexus of events during 2012 set up to show an urgent need for this bill. FLC and the forest industry as a whole had been fighting off harvest plan review fees for the last two years; the environmental concerns were threatening to sue the State for what they saw as inadequate participation of the agencies in the timber harvest review process due to budget constraints, particularly that of the California Department of Fish and Game (now the Department of Fish and Wildlife, DFW); and Sierra Pacific Industries had just settled a massive lawsuit with the Forest Service who were requesting inflated monetary replacement

value for all environmental attributes lost in the Moonlight Fire, not just the timber. This bill needed massive support and it was important to the bill sponsors that FLC be part of the support coalition.

AB 1492 was written to accomplish three things, 1) limit public agencies who sue to recover costs after a wildfire to pecuniary damages that are quantifiable and not unreasonable in relation to the pre-fire market value of the property; 2) provide that THPs approved on or after July 31, 2012 are effective for five (5) years, and may be extended once for an additional two-year period; and 3) establish a 1% "assessment" on lumber products, as defined by the Board of Forestry, to be deposited in the "Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund." This money was to fund, at least in part, the State's Forest Practice review program, including a specified \$1.5 million to the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Extra money not needed for the annual review program would be available for forest restoration projects. The Secretary of Natural Resources would also be required to submit a report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the activities of all state departments, agencies and boards relating to forest and timberland regulation by January 10 of each year. This would provide an opportunity for public scrutiny on the efficiency of the timber harvest review program.

Now, many of you may have experienced this 1% surcharge created by AB 1492 during the last year when you purchased timber products in a linear foot form. What has this bought you? Well for those of you doing timber harvests, or plan to harvest, it's saving you money, lots of it! The threat of timber harvest plan review fees have gone away, the Fish and Game (DFW) plan review fee that has been institutionalized for decades has gone away, the DFW 1600 permit fees, which are often thousands of dollars for alterations to streams, have gone away, and for those that had to pay a Water Quality Waste Discharge annual fee or waiver fees associated with timber harvest, these have gone away. Also the life of a timber harvest plan (THP) is now a seven-year permit, rather than five (5), providing a couple more years to take advantage of better or spot log markets.

As expressed by Bill Keye upon the signing in 2012 of AB 1492, "This bill is a game changer and monumental legislative victory in forest reform, and it's not likely that we will witness anything like this again in Sacramento for a long, long time – if ever."

Fast Forward to 2013 Legislative Session

Through a colossal effort by volunteer members of your association and with the help of the original bill sponsors of CLFA and the Buckeye, the Working Forest Management Plan (the 2012, AB 2170) was reintroduced in 2013 as AB 904 (Chesbro). The hard work that followed throughout 2013 in maintaining and adding to the previous year's support coalition with the various land trusts and conservancy members helped stave off the "naysayers" of the Sierra Club, Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC) and the Center for Biological Diversity (CBD). AB 904 passed through committee hearings, but not without some major concessions to appease the environmental and agency stake holders about the very concerns raised in 2011 regarding the perceived deficiencies of the NTMP. The process was incredibly time consuming with involvement in stake holder committee meetings, conference calls, local public meeting participation and presentations, and attending and testifying before legislative committee hearings. It's my speculation that well more than one thousand hours were spent by a handful of key members in your association who had the fortitude to stay with it, who could remain calm and level headed, even while being verbally degraded, and who provided continued sound reasoning as to why this was important to get accomplished. AB 904 - the Working Forest Management Plan made it over the final legislative hurdle with Assemblyman Chesbro's presentation on the Assembly Floor on September 6, 2013, and the bill was passed on for the Governor's signature. The bill was signed by the Governor on October 8, 2013. We have since heard that one of the reasons for the Governor's delay in signature was that he needed an explanation as to why a portion of the State (e.g., the Southern Subdistrict) was excluded from the bill. Neither we, nor the Governor, were pleased with this exclusion. It was one of the last concessions that had to be made to get the bill out of Senate Appropriations, which had nothing to do with bill language or costs, but was done to motivate political positioning.

The Working Forest Management Plan is now before the Board of Forestry where it is to be transferred into regulatory statute. The bill requires the Board to adopt regulations needed to implement the provisions by January 1, 2016, and at least for now the Board is stating that they hope to have this done by January 2015.

Have a
Question
About Your
Property?

There is a form on the FLC website you can use to submit a question. We are building a library of FAQs. Send us your question—it might help another landowner. Or, send your question by traditional mail — we will send you a response.

How You Can Make A Difference

Have you been wondering how you could make a difference? We have the opportunity. There are a few seats open to serve as a Director on the FLC Board of Directors. Join a dynamic group of individuals to serve the members in legislative advocacy, program planning and organizational governance.

Contact Nan Deniston, Nominating Committee Chair, at (626) 441-3335 or ndeniston@earthlink.net with your interest. We need you!

Legislative Update

Charll Stoneman, Legislative Committee Chair

The California Legislature reconvened on January 6, 2014 to officially begin the second half of the 2013/2014 session.

Of interest to FLC is the Governor's proposal to direct \$50 million dollars of "cap and trade" funds to Cal Fire for fire prevention and urban forestry activities as outlined below:

Fire Prevention and Urban Forests - \$50 million for the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to support urban forests in disadvantaged communities and forest health restoration and reforestation projects that re-duce wildfire risk and increase carbon sequestration. This proposal will enhance forest health and reduce fuel loads in light of climate change impacting wildfire intensity and damage across the landscape.

If the Legislature agrees that this is a wise investment, Cal Fire's urban forestry and California Forest Improvement Programs should receive substantially increased funding.

Two bills of note are currently being debated in the Legislature: AB 468 (Chesbro) and SB 832 (Gaines).

AB 468 (Chesbro): This will be the third subject this bill has addressed. It was first introduced in early 2013 as an electronic waste recycling bill. It was then amended to propose the Disaster Management, Preparedness and Assistance Fund. This was an attempt to address the SRA fee debate by broadening the fee to all Californians and to cover all emergency services. In its current form, the bill proposes to make the terminology used in the NTMP consistent with the newly created WFMP. Specifically it proposes to change the defined term "Nonindustrial Tree Farmer" to "Nonindustrial forest owner" where it occurs in the Forest Practice Act. It is believed that this bill is a placeholder for potential legislation to streamline permitting requirements for small landowners who want to manage their timberlands. This issue is currently being debated at the Board of Forestry, but there is legislative support for the topic should the Board not have the authority under existing statute to address it in a meaningful way. The bill passed out of the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on a unanimous vote in favor on January 13th with no opposition. FLC will continue to monitor the progress of this bill.

SB 832 (Gaines): This bill continues Senator Ted Gaines' attempt to offer relief to homeowners subject to the SRA fee. The current proposal would exempt structures that have been destroyed, or significantly damaged, as a result of a natural disaster. This is in response to homeowners whose houses were destroyed by recent wildfires, but are still receiving bills for the SRA fee because their home was a "habitable structure" at the time the fee was assessed.

Here are some important dates to remember for the 2014 legislative session:

- February 21 – last day for bills to be introduced
- June 15 – budget bill must be passed
- August 31 – last day for bills to pass and be sent to Governor
- September 30 – last day for Governor to sign bills
- November 4 – general election

You can track any of the above mentioned bills at the Official California Legislative Information website, <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>. We appreciate any input you may have on issues we are engaged in, or those that you would like us to provide more information on.

October 12, 2013

Field Day Recap

Forests Can Be Protected from A Catastrophic Fire

The last Field Day of the season was on October 12, near Shingletown. Some 46 participants attended, which included forest landowners, fire safe council members and foresters. The group toured the Bebensee's and Schoenheide's Plateau Tree Farm and enjoyed a fine lunch in the woods. What the group saw was an extensively managed 300 acre forest, which has been managed by these owners for the last 38 years and with the intent of keeping it relatively fire safe and productive, and not only for its forest products, but also for its wildlife, watershed and air quality benefits. Fortunately this particular forested property is relatively flat, but has the challenge of very flammable grass, brush and oak woodland below and a steep canyon to the north. To make this property fire resistant, most of the ladder fuels (brush and thickets of forest trees and lower branches) have been removed or masticated. They now have a park like setting, only missing the green grass lawns. Andy Reiling, Battalion Chief from Cal Fire, stated that this forest will now likely only have flame lengths of about 4 feet in height as compared to the adjacent untreated brush field that would have flame lengths of about 75 feet and will lead to a crown fire in the adjacent forest. Andy said that even though the Plateau forest will burn, it will be much easier and safer for the fire crews to extinguish a fire and there should be only occasional torching of a few trees.

Fuel breaks, fire lines and access routes have been established at critical locations to help contain any fires that might occur. Even wider spacing of trees is considered to keep crown fire from spreading from the neighbors adjacent trees. There has been a number of Federal and State "Cost-share Programs" that these owners have used, and these programs are usually available through the Natural Resource Conservation Service or Cal Fire. Maintenance requires repeated treatments every 10 to 15 years, but also periodical timber harvesting operations aids both financially and physically in keeping this forest as a productive, healthy and a fire resistant forest. Logging slash is typically scattered, masticated, buried or hauled off as biomass for power generation. An additional one hundred acres of this tract was not treated, because of it being located on steep hillsides and not cost effective or productive forest land. Also some thickets were specifically left for wildlife habitat.

The tour included a brief glimpse of last year's Ponderosa Fire, which was not far away. Tim Livingston, a Sierra Pacific representative, showed the group how Sierra Pacific salvaged and harvested their burnt timberlands and how they are in the process of reforesting it. It is anticipated that it will take three years to get all of this burn replanted. Seedlings being planted include ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir, sugar pine and some incense cedar. Of course natural seedlings will occur in some places and many of the black oaks are already sprouting and many of those oaks that survived the fire have been left.

Tim also showed the group that in some cases pole harvesting can be a means of thinning the forest and at the same time provide some income. However, pole harvesting can be quite time consuming for the timber faller in selecting the right tree for a high quality telephone or power pole.



Field Days for 2014

June 21

Hells Hollow Tree Farm
(Tuolumne County)
Barbara and Ralph Gaarde

July 19

Maple Creek Ranch and Tree Farm
(Butte County)
Donna Hall and Terri Tyrer

August TBD

Seneca Tree Farm
(Plumas County)
Joe Smailes

September 27

Orr Springs Ranch
(Mendocino County)
Lisa Weger and Craig Blencowe

Highlights from the FLC 2013 Membership Survey

It was gratifying to see the response from the membership. Nearly 35 percent of the current membership responded to the Board's request for information that will guide FLC during the coming year. If you did not have time to take the survey in October but still wish to provide input, please contact Deidre and we will provide a copy of the survey to you.

Most of our members have been long-term members of FLC having belonged for five years or more but nearly 20 percent of the members are relatively new—5 years or less. Respondents owned more than 64,000 acres; thus, the total FLC membership potentially represents as much as 180,000 acres of forest land in the state.

About 70 percent of the land was purchased, but a substantial number of current owners inherited or received their ownership interests as gifts suggesting the multi-generational nature of the current membership.

Members are definitely interested in forest management with nearly 75 percent having some type or written management plan with more than 55 percent having an approved NTMP. More than 50 percent have planted trees, and more than 70 percent have worked on fire reduction efforts and brush control. More than 80 percent have performed maintenance on trails and roads on your property. Where harvesting has occurred, more than 75 percent of the respondents indicated that the focus of the harvest was to improve the quality of the remaining trees. About 50 percent of the members have used some kind of cost share program in the past.

A bit surprising were the purposes of owning forest land. More than 80 percent indicated that scenic beauty was a primary reason for ownership. This was followed by investment (more than 70 percent) and the goal of owning a family legacy property (65 percent) and the goal of environmental stewardship (more than 50 percent).

The future of forestland during the next five years also seems relatively bright at the present time with only 19 percent indicating that they would sell some or all of their land or convert it to a different use. A significant number (13 percent) even suggested that they wanted to buy more forest land.

Issues of concern to the membership include catastrophic wildfire (86 percent), restrictive legislation and regulations including endangered species (more than 80 percent), markets and prices for forest products and forest health (88 percent), the complexity and costs of the timber harvesting process (81 percent) and inheritance and succession planning (more than 80 percent).

What Can We Do Better?

More than 70 percent of the members belong to FLC in order to network with other forest landowners through field days and the annual meeting. Nearly 60 percent wanted FLC to be an advocate for non-industrial landowners.

A large percentage of the respondents (more than 85 percent) also indicated a willingness to contact their state legislators on issues that affect timber management. **We hope that you will respond when we send an action alert on legislative or regulatory issues.** Some members indicated concerns about the short time frames provided in our action alerts. We will try and improve in this area. However, in many instances the agendas for public regulatory bodies are issued with very short lead times, often one to two weeks at most. With legislation the time frame is often times more compressed with one to three days available for comments.

Some members seem to believe that Board membership and Board meetings are closed to the general membership. This is incorrect. **All Board meetings are open to the general membership. The Board will address issues submitted by the membership by email, regular mail, or via telephone to a Board member. If you are interested in serving as a member of the Board, please contact Larry Camp or Deidre Bryant, and we will submit your name to the Nominating Committee.** Many of the Board members have served for many years on a voluntary basis and the Board is continuing to seek new members with fresh ideas and energy.

The Education Committee and Communications Committee recognize the desire of members to have publications pertinent to forest management issues in both paper format and on the FLC website and well as creating mechanisms for members to communicate with other forest landown-

ers and with foresters or other resource professionals (generally more than 85 percent) and hope to develop some of these resources capabilities during the next 12 to 18 months.

Finally, some members feel that our legislative and regulatory efforts in Sacramento have been a waste of both time and money as legislation and regulations from numerous agencies have increased the costs and time involved to manage your timberlands. To some extent this is correct. However, FLC has made a concerted effort in the last two years to change this through coalitions with other groups including moderate environmental organizations. With the passage of AB 1492, AB 904 and AB 744, we have achieved passage of proactive legislation and stopped or slowed some proposed draconian regulations. Since October 2012, FLC has spent only \$500 on legislative activities with many members spending their own money for expenses for trips to Sacramento. FLC will continue current efforts to minimize expenses in the legislative area, however, FLC members must recognize the need to have a limited presence in the Sacramento area.

What Can You Do As A Member of FLC?

As the debate related to AB 904 has shown, those who oppose long-term sustainable management will use any methods available to oppose our legislative and regulatory efforts. One of our greatest needs is to increase our membership to make us more effective at the administrative and legislative issues. When you visit with your neighbors, ask them if they belong to FLC. If they do not, encourage them to become a member for the reasons that you belong. Membership information and the application are available on the FLC website, www.forestlandowners.org. FLC members recommending FLC to nonmembers is the best way to increase our current membership.

The board will continue to review the survey results and post a more detailed summary on the website. However, if you have suggestions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Deidre or one of the Board members by telephone or email.

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New Members

*New members since last newsletter are shaded and for the period January 1 to December 31, 2013.

* Denotes new members joining after December 31, 2013.

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to FLC!

Forest Landowner Members

Michael Bates
40 Acres, Shasta County

Daniel Beans
40 Acres, Trinity County

Herb Bunt
382 Acres, Shasta County

Cathleen Christensen *
Humboldt/Mendocino County
C. Robert Barnum Family Member

Terry Corwin
Land Trust of Santa Cruz County/
Byrne Milliron Forest
400 Acres, Santa Cruz County

Nancy Craig
80 Acres, Mariposa County

Shawn Davis *
Trinity County
Fred Nelson Family Member

Richard Dorn
Dorn Family Partnership
1,100 Acres, Humboldt County

Jennie Dusheck
Diana Dusheck
47 Acres, Santa Cruz County

Robert & Caroline Eshleman
160 Acres, Sierra County

Alicia Galliani
300 Acres, Mendocino County

Michael Goodner
40 Acres, Shasta County

Jim Huber
Camp La Tieza
50 Acres, Shasta County

Al Lawrence
70 Acres, Mendocino County

Barbara Lyle *
Mendocino County
William Stewart Family Member

Richard McMahan
115 Acres, Fresno County

Jim Rinehart
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6,678 Acres, Humboldt County

Deanna Thrift
80 Acres, Humboldt County

Jeremy Vermilyea
Shasta County
Scott & Eleanor Vermilyea Family Member

Jim Westphal *
Butte County
Ted Westphal Family Member

John & Laura Williams
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Preliminary Schedule of Events

All activities will be held at the Best Western Tree House with the exception of the Field Day tours on Saturday.

Thursday, May 1

12:00pm – 5:00pm Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, May 2 Annual Meeting Program & Awards Banquet

7:30am – 8:45am Registration and Breakfast

9:00am – 9:45am Conservation Easements

9:45am – 10:15am Landowner/Logger Relationships – How to Create an Effective Harvest

10:15am – 10:30am Break

10:30am - 12:00pm Perils of Timberland Ownership (insects, disease, fire)

12:00p – 1:00pm Lunch – Speaker Jon Lopey, Siskiyou County's "Constitutional Sheriff" remarks on conflicts between ranchers, farmers and agencies

1:00pm – 2:00pm Maximizing Timberland Income

2:00pm – 2:30pm Break

2:30pm – 5:00pm Annual Business Meeting (Agency, Legislative and FLC Updates)

6:00pm – 9:00pm Awards Banquet – Speaker Buzz Eades
Raffle Drawing, Awards

Saturday, May 3

8:00am – 4:00pm

Annual Meeting Field Day

The Field Day includes a boxed lunch and beverages.

First stop: Tamar Wherritt Property (conservation easements) led by Gaylord Briggs

Second stop: Lake Siskiyou Property (land management in a "fishbowl") led by Danielle Lindler

Third stop: Berryman Family Forest led by Ron Berryman and Family (equipment demos)*

**The Annual Meeting Field Day will adjourn at approximately 4:00pm; however, those wishing to stay longer can hike our interpretive trail.*

Location

Best Western Plus Tree House

111 Morgan Way
Mount Shasta, CA 96067-2557
(530) 926-3101

We have secured a discounted room rate with the Best Western; make your reservations at your earliest opportunity. The discounted rate is effective until March 28, 2014 and based upon availability.

\$99 Single/Double Occupancy (king or queen bed)

\$109 Single/Double Occupancy (two queen beds)

Raffle Contributions Needed

Whether or not you are coming to the Annual Meeting, we encourage you to submit a raffle item. The form can be found on the website—go to Calendar, then Annual Meeting and download the Raffle Form. Or call the FLC office and ask for Gretel.



2014 Annual Meeting

May 2-3

Best Western Tree House

Mount Shasta, California

Managing the Family Working Forest



Calendar of Events

These calendar activities are also located on FLC's interactive calendar on the website. Click on the Calendar menu for other details, such as registration information, etc.

January 24	FLC Board of Directors Meeting (Granzella's Inn, Williams)
May 1	FLC Board of Directors Meeting (Mount Shasta)
May 2-3	FLC Annual Meeting and Field Day (Mount Shasta)
June 21	Field Day: Hells Hollow Tree Farm (Tuolumne County) – Barbara and Ralph Gaarde
July 18	FLC Board of Directors Meeting (Granzella's Inn, Williams)
July 19	Field Day: Maple Creek Ranch and Tree Farm (Butte County) – Donna Hall and Terri Tyrer
August TBD	Field Day: Seneca Tree Farm (Plumas County) – Joe Smailes
September 27	Field Day: Orr Springs Ranch (Mendocino County) – Lisa Weger and Craig Blencowe
November 21	FLC Board of Directors Meeting (Granzella's Inn, Williams)



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