

BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

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**Effectiveness Monitoring Committee Meeting (EMC)****MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA****Posting Date:** Monday, August 10, 2026**Meeting Date:** Thursday, August 20, 2026, 9:30 AM**Primary Location:** California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters, 715 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 301**Secondary Locations:**

- Trudeau Training Facility and Center – 11500 Skyline Blvd. Oakland, CA 94619
- Humboldt Redwood Company – 125 Main St., Training Room, Scotia CA 95565
- University of California, Santa Barbara – Noble Hall Room 2221, Santa Barbara, CA 93106
- North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, 5550 Skylane Blvd., Ste. A, Santa Rosa, CA 95425
- East Bay Regional Park District Fern Cottage, Kennedy Groce Regional Park 6530 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803

Members of the public may attend the meeting only via webcast (audio only) by completing registration at the following link:

Teams Webinar Registration Link:**[Effectiveness Monitoring Committee Meeting](#)****AGENDA ITEMS** (*estimated time allotted, including questions and discussion*)

- 1. Call to Order, Hybrid Meeting Format, and Roll Call** – Andrew Lawhorn, Board Staff (10 min)
- 2. Report by Co-Chair(s)** – Ryan Hilburn, Co-Chair and Andrew Lawhorn, Board staff (10 min)
 - a) Membership Updates** (Open Seats & Expiring Terms)
 - b) Full Project Proposal Funding Status Updates**
- 3. Assignments for Project Liaisons and Completed Research Assessments** – Project Liaisons and Board staff (15 min)
- 4. Project Updates** – Project Liaisons and Board Staff (10 min)

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5. **Final Report Completed Research Assessment: EMC-2022-003 – Coast Redwood Defect Study** – Nadia Hamey RPF, *EMC Members (30 min w/Q&A)*
6. **Review and Selection of Full Project Proposals for Grant Funding** – Andrew Lawhorn, *Board Staff and EMC members (120 min)*

Potential Action Item

7. **Public Forum** – Members of the public may address the EMC on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Please be prepared to summarize comments within three (3) minutes, or otherwise at the discretion of the Co-Chairs.
8. **Future Meeting Locations, Dates, and Agenda Items (10 min)**
 - a) Next Meeting
 - b) Agenda Items
9. **Announcements: Scientific conferences, symposiums, and workshops (10 min)**
10. **Adjourn**

IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION

CONTACT INFORMATION

Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact Andrew Lawhorn, Forestry Assistant II, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 628-8090. This meeting notice and webinar registration information is also available in electronic format at: [EMC Web Page \(https://bof.fire.ca.gov/board-committees/effectiveness-monitoring-committee/\)](https://bof.fire.ca.gov/board-committees/effectiveness-monitoring-committee/).

Webinar

EMC meetings can be observed via live webcast. Members of the public may observe the meeting via webinar by registering at <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Committee may not preserve audio or video recordings of its meetings.

Submitting A Comment: During the meeting, all Webinar participants will be muted by the meeting organizer. Participants will have an option to submit a comment, either by writing your comment or by directly addressing the members verbally. To submit a written comment, type the text of the comment in the “Questions” pane of the Webinar interface. To submit a comment by verbally addressing the members, select the “Raise Hand” icon on Webinar interface. The meeting organizer will call you by name and unmute you so you can address the Committee members. If you are commenting verbally, please be sure to unmute your phone or device. If the agenda identifies a physical location, members of the public attending at that location should physically raise their hand to indicate to members and staff at that location the desire to make a verbal comment. If your comment relates to a particular agenda item, please indicate your request to comment at the beginning of or during the consideration of that agenda item to ensure comments relate to the particular agenda item being discussed. If your comment relates to a topic within the Committee’s jurisdiction and is not otherwise on the agenda, please indicate your request to comment during the Public Forum period, which will occur at the end of the meeting. The meeting organizer will manage

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the queue of comments. In addition, please see the section on Submission of Written Materials for information on submitting written materials.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. The Committee may accept written materials as public comment on agenda items if feasible and if received prior to the deadline below. However, to ensure a public comment is considered by the Committee during the discussion of the agenda item, please attend the meeting and provide the comment directly to the Committee, or if the meeting is only being held telephonically or otherwise electronically, please register for the meeting and provide your comment in accordance with the instructions included herein. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary):

E-mail: publiccomments@bof.ca.gov

U.S. mail: Board of Forestry and Fire
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All written materials shall be due no later than 3 business days prior to the scheduled meeting unless there is a date specified on a specific hearing notice pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with § 11340), Part 1, Division 3, Title 2, of the Government Code). Timely submittal of written materials provides Board staff and Committee members the opportunity to familiarize themselves with content of written documents. Note that depending on the volume of written materials received, Board staff and Committee members may not be able to review all materials received prior to the public meeting. Written materials received after the deadline above will not be considered. Written materials submitted may be posted online by Board staff to allow for public inspection. All written materials submitted will be considered part of the public record. To ensure comments and other materials submitted comply with the Board's website posting requirements, please provide all comments and materials in a format that satisfies the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and applicable Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG). Comments and materials that do not satisfy these requirements will be accepted but will not be posted to the Board's website.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Committee begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed; however, the Committee may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS FOR INVITED PRESENTERS

PowerPoint presentations must be provided via electronic mail to publiccomments@bof.ca.gov no later than 3 business days prior to the scheduled meeting. **All presentations are considered part of the public record.** All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible. Please provide all materials in a format that satisfies the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and applicable Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) in accordance with the Board's policies to allow posting to the Board's website. Materials that do not satisfy these requirements will be accepted but will not be posted to the Board's website.