

**BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE
PROTECTION**

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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS & AGENDAS
California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

Posting Date: July 10, 2026

Meeting Dates: July 21, 22, 23, 2026

Location: 313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Board Member Lopez will participate remotely, pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 11123.2(j)(2)

Webcast registration link: <https://bof.fire.ca.gov> (no Webcast available for July 22)

Board Field Tour Registration Link: [Santa Cruz Field Tour, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection](#)

JULY 21, 2026 MEETINGS:

**BOARD MEETING (FOCUSED ON ISSUES OF THE
FOREST PRACTICE and MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEES).**

The Courtyard by Marriott
313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Room: Riverside/Boardwalk
Date: July 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Courtyard by Marriott
313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Room: Riverside/Boardwalk
Date: July 21, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

JULY 22, 2026 MEETING:

**BOARD MEETING (FIELD TOUR): Empire
Grade/CZU Lightening Complex Projects**

Meet at: The Courtyard by Marriott
313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Date: July 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**See additional information for Board Tour,
including RSVP instructions, on page 5**

The Board's Mission: To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

JULY 23, 2026 MEETING:

BOARD MEETING

The Courtyard by Marriott
313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Room: Riverside
Date: July 23, 2026,
REGULAR SESSION: 10:20 a.m.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

July 23, 2026

CLOSED SESSION: 10:00 a.m.

REGULAR SESSION: 10:20 a.m.

Those who wish to comment on an item on the agenda may do so when that item is opened for consideration by the Chair and before action is taken. The Board encourages individuals to fill out a speaker card (available near the room entrance) and submit it to Board staff. Those who wish to comment on items not on the agenda may do so under item no. 12, Public Forum.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

CLOSED SESSION:

- 3. Adjourn to Closed Session** (closed to the public) for discussion of the following matter pursuant to Government Code section 11126(e)(2)(A): *California Chaparral Institute v. CA Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al.* (Case No. 26CU036229C)

REGULAR SESSION:

4. Reconvene

5. Instructions on Meeting Format

6. Report Out from Closed Session

- 7. Consent Calendar Items:** Items on the consent calendar will be voted on as a group in a single motion, unless a Board member pulls an item for discussion.
 - a. Approval of June 2026 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Vital Statistics – Approval of Registered Professional Foresters License Withdrawal Requests

Monthly Board Reports:

8. Report of the Chairman, Terrence O'Brien

9. Report of the Director, Joe Tyler

10. Executive Officer Report, Tony Andersen

11. Report of the Standing Committees

a. Joint Forest Practice Committee and Management Committee, Elicia Goldsworthy and Liz Forsburg-Pardi, Chairs

b. Resource Protection Committee, J. Lopez, Chair

12. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

a. Professional Foresters Examining Committee, Dan Stapleton, Asst. Executive Officer.

(i) Announcement of the April 2026 Registered Professional Forester Exam Results **Possible Action Item**

b. Zone 0 Regulatory Advisory Committee, Terrence O'Brian, Chair

(i) Staff Presentation: Update on Zone Zero Rulemaking and Next Steps: Yana Valachovic, University of CA; Jane Van Susteren, Board staff

c. Effectiveness Monitoring Committee, Ryan Hilburn, Co-Chair

d. Range Management Advisory Committee, Dr. Stephanie Larson, Vice-Chair

e. Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation, Katie Harrell, Board Staff

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

13. Public Comment on Items not Listed on the Agenda

The Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the public forum, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting.

14. Adjournment

BOARD MEETING

(FOCUSED ON ISSUES OF THE FOREST PRACTICE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES)

July 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Those who wish to comment on an item on the agenda may do so when that item is opened for consideration by the Chair and before action is taken.

1. Roll Call

2. Instructions on Meeting Format

3. **Presentation** – The Future of Southern Subdistrict Silviculture: Managing for Hardwoods and Postfire Recovery – Nadia Hamey, Hamey Woods
4. **Presentation** – Fuels Project Implementation – David Van Lennep, Chief Operations Forester, Auten Resource Consulting
5. **Timber Harvest Plans Working Group**- Tony Andersen, Executive Officer
6. **Public Forum** – Members of the public may address the Committees on any item within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda
7. **Adjournment**

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

July 21, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

Those who wish to comment on an item on the agenda may do so when that item is opened for consideration by the Chair and before action is taken.

1. **Roll Call**
2. **Instructions on Meeting Format**
3. **Community Wildfire Mitigation Assistance Program (CWMAP) Program Update** – Deputy Chief, Shane Vargas– CWMAP
 - a. Subdivision Review:
 - i. City of Goleta
 - b. Safety Element Review:
 - i. City of Monte Sereno, Tim Quickel, Fire Captain
 - ii. City of Lake Forest, Joseph Kennedy, Fire Captain
 - iii. City of Corona, Joseph Kennedy, Fire Captain
 - iv. City of Placerville, Malcolm Kennedy, Battalion Chief
 - v. County of Madera, Kevin Lindo, Battalion Chief
4. **2026 Fire Risk Reduction Community List Insights- 14 CA Code of Regulations Section 1268.03** - Marcie Yates, Land Use Planning Program Manager
5. **Public Forum** – Members of the public may address the Committee on any item within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda.
6. **Adjournment**

Board Field Tour: Empire Grade and CZU Lightning Complex Fire Projects

July 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

1. Please bring a hard hat, field boots, sun protection, and water.
2. Lunch is not provided
3. Some transportation will be provided for field tour participants to limit the number of vehicles in transit. There are a limited number of seats; RSVPs are requested.

RSVP INSTRUCTIONS:

All persons attending the field tour are requested to RSVP to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection by 4:00 p.m. July 21, 2026 ([link](#)) or mail the Board at PublicComments@bof.ca.gov. Notification is necessary to assure that appropriate accommodations for transport of tour participants are provided.

Field Tour Agenda		
Time*	Location	Description
9:00 a.m.	The Courtyard by Marriott 313 Riverside Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95060	Depart from Santa Cruz no later than 9:10
9:30 a.m.	Braemoor Loop	Defensible Space Implementation
9:55	San Vincente Redwoods Empire Grade Parking Lot	Defensible Space discussion/Shaded Fuel Breaks/Forest Recover from CZU Fire
10:30	Locatelli VMP Site	CZU VMP Projects and Programs CAL FIRE Vegetation Management site
11:10	Top of Warrenella Truck Trail	Hardwood management after burns
11:50	Gate 6/Felice Ranch junction	CAL-VTP Implementation/Forest Practice Rules post-fire/Lunch
1:30	Coastal Overlook, BLM land	VTP in the Coastal Zone/Coastal Zone Forest Practice
3:00	The Courtyard, Santa Cruz	Return to Courtyard Hotel
*Field tour time stops are approximate and may vary		

with travel time between stops		
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CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information regarding the Board or committee meetings, contact Tony Andersen, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. For a copy of this meeting notice, meeting materials and to register for webinars, go to the Board's Website (<http://bof.fire.ca.gov>).

WEBCAST

The Full Board, Committee, and/or Workshop meetings may be accessible for viewing via live webcast at [the Board's Website](http://bof.fire.ca.gov) (<http://bof.fire.ca.gov>). The physical meetings may continue if the webinar broadcast is interrupted or terminated for any reason.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The meeting location is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Persons who, because of a disability, need assistance to participate in a Board or committee meeting may request assistance by sending an email to Tony Andersen, Executive Officer, at PublicComments@bof.ca.gov or by calling (916) 653-8007. Requests should be made one week in advance whenever possible.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

Written comments on agenda items may be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the meeting as follows:

E-mail: publiccomments@bof.ca.gov U.S. mail: Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
 PO Box 944246
 Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

Board staff and Board 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 until the following meeting. Written materials submitted may be posted online by Board staff to allow for public review and will be considered part of the public record. To ensure materials submitted comply with the Board's website posting requirements, please provide all materials in a format that satisfies the Americans with Disabilities Act and applicable Web Content Accessibility Guidelines. Comments and materials that do not satisfy these requirements will be accepted but may not be posted to the Board's website.

SPEAKING AT THE FULL BOARD MEETING

Attendees at physical meeting location:

The Board may limit the amount of time allocated to each person for public comment on an agenda item, as authorized by the Bagley-Keene Opening Meeting Act. Depending on the circumstances, time limits imposed for public comment typically range between three and five minutes per person.

Attendees viewing webcast:

The public's right to observe and offer public comment is guaranteed only for individuals attending the physical meeting location. As a courtesy, the Board may provide an option for the public to observe its meetings via webcast. While the Board aims for the webcast to improve public access and transparency, it cannot guarantee the quality of the webcast or the opportunity for public comment via the webcast.

Webcast attendees will typically be recognized for public comment after public comments at the physical meeting location.

During the meeting, all webinar participants are muted. To make a public comment, select the "Raise Hand" icon on the top of the TEAMS interface during the agenda item. The meeting organizer will call on speakers and enable their microphone; speakers must unmute their microphones to comment.

Considerations applicable to all speakers:

- The three-minute speaking time limit may be amended by the Chair, depending on the number of speakers.
- A speaker may not cede time to another speaker.
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.