

# REFORESTATION BECAUSE OF YOU

CAL FIRE
is looking for
private landowners
to be part of the
reforestation
solution!

Are you a forest landowner who would like to help with California's reforestation efforts?

We want to hear from YOU!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

CAL FIRE's L.A. Moran Reforestation Center, which houses the *only State-run Seed Bank in California* is requesting your collaboration by allowing Cone Surveys to be conducted on your land. We are looking for tree stands that have viable cone crops.

## HOW DOES THIS IMPACT YOU?

Devastating wildfires, drought, increasing bark beetle pressure, disease, climate change, other biotic and abiotic factors have created a great demand for seed. As part of our mission, CAL FIRE is responsible for the management and protection of California's natural resources, including vital seed supplies to enable post-fire replanting and other reforestation efforts. To do our work, CAL FIRE uses information from the Annual Cone Survey to identify, assess, and collect viable conifer cone crops.





### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

In addition to signing a cone survey access agreement, you can help CAL FIRE identify if your trees meet the criteria for collection! We are specifically looking for cone-bearing stands that are robust and large enough to support genetic diversity. Typically, this is at least 10 acres, but forest landowners with less acreage may still participate if their neighbor/s participate as well so long as the conebearing trees are still part of the same stand.

## HOW OFTEN WILL **YOU** SEE US?

Up to four times a year during the cone season. Initial surveys are completed from late May to early August each year, with monitoring visits are conducted at promising sites from August to September. CAL FIRE staff and collaborators may collect cone samples from your property prior to a full collection effort to test if a crop is promising. CAL FIRE will communicate ahead of time as able when the visits might be.

#### **HOW DO YOU BENEFIT?**

YOU benefit by knowing that you are assisting in reforestation efforts for your local communities, helping preserve California's natural resources, and being a crucial part of the solution. Additionally, if crops are collected on your land, CAL FIRE can reserve a portion of the seeds from your property for your future reforestation efforts. For landowners who are aggregating acreage with neighbors to meet the minimum stand size criteria, the reserved portion would be split.



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