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## The FLC 2009 Annual Meeting is right around the corner!

Join us in Ukiah April 30 through May 2 for our examination of the Two Faces of Carbon: Forest Fires and Carbon Sequestration. We will tour Mendocino County properties that were hit by recent fires and hear from experts on carbon sequestration and the budding markets for carbon credits. This meeting will demystify your role as a landowner in the new green economy.

Of course, there will be no lack of fellowship, fun, and great food! So be sure to mark your calendars for another great Annual Meeting.

*You will find a full description of the Annual Meeting on page 8 and a registration form on page 9 of this newsletter. Please take a moment to register now!*

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## Forest Capitol: News from Sacramento

*By Bill Keye, Legislative Consultant*

You know what the news from Sacramento is: the state budget and its woes. That theme will continue to dominate this legislative session, shoving aside policy bills that would likely gain more traction in better economic times. With tax receipts running low, legislators are likely to be leery of bills labeled as "job killers." On the other hand, they'll be eager to find new ways to raise revenue, which means that higher fees for things like Timber Harvest Plan submittals or Cal Fire emergency services for property owners in State Responsibility Areas (SRA) will no doubt be once again attempted.

Freshman Assemblyman Dan Logue (R-Chico) sees the poor economy as an opportunity to carry the argument about forestry and what it can do as far as rural economic development. Logue's District 3 takes in a broad swatch of the northern Sierra Nevada, including vast areas of both private and public forestland.

Another north state Freshman Assemblyman is a wily Capitol veteran, former state senator Jim Nielsen (R-Biggs). Nielsen served three Senate terms, and was Republican leader from 1983-87. He says that he's reviving a concept that worked well during his earlier legislative career, that of a needed "Rural Renaissance".

Both of these men are members of a greatly outnumbered minority. For their efforts to succeed, they'll have to reach across the aisle to form new alliances. With the current economic crisis, it's likely that more Democrats will be receptive to their proposals.

What's not likely to happen is a rollback of the requirements of AB 32, the 2006 bill that empowers the State Air Resources Board to mandate how California will reduce its emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) to 1990 levels by 2020. The ARB is currently working on implementing its AB 32 Scoping Plan (see:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/newsrel/nr121108.htm>) and working up fees to cover agency costs (see: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/adminfee/adminfee.htm>). President Obama is clearly supportive of AB 32, as evidenced by his request for the federal EPA to accommodate California's ARB-led quest for stricter state vehicle fuel economy standards.

The only thing that will sink AB 32 will be if the economic dislocations it triggers come to be viewed as more substantial than the technology-forcing gains that its backers promise. For now, it seems wisest for forest landowners – including those that believe global warming is one giant hoax – to become as familiar as possible with this emerging juggernaut.

Forestry, after all, is a unique sector: growing trees eat carbon, harvested wood products store it. If GHG accounting protocols eventually prove cost-effective for landowners (see: [http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/forestry/forestry\\_protocols/ccar\\_public\\_workshop\\_announcement\\_feb\\_3\\_09.pdf](http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/forestry/forestry_protocols/ccar_public_workshop_announcement_feb_3_09.pdf)), they can expect annual payments for the carbon services that properly managed timberlands provide. This could come in the form of offset payments from "capped" sectors, such as coal burning power plants.

Another way for landowner revenues to increase would be if the push for increased output of "green energy" (including biomass energy and biofuels) can create new market incentives for doing forest thinning, chipping and other fuel treatments. Maybe in the future, forest landowners will also be compensated for maintaining their properties in a recognized fire-safe condition, thereby reducing the occurrence of high intensity wildfires and fugitive GHG emissions.

Our world is changing at a dizzying rate. But one interesting fact reported lately (see [http://online.wsj.com/article/SB123292802063613879.html?mod=googlenews\\_wsj](http://online.wsj.com/article/SB123292802063613879.html?mod=googlenews_wsj)) is that U. S. timberland values are holding up, even as other forms of investments (stocks, residential real estate) have wilted.

For forest landowners with a long term view, California may yet live up to its promise as the Golden State.

# Regulatory Impairment of Continued Non-Industrial Forestland Ownership

By Sally French

Preface by Charles Greenlaw

*The Jan. 6 Board of Forestry Policy Committee's discussion of a 15-page CalFire Conversion Issues paper focused on forest land conversions out of Timberland Productivity Zoning (TPZ) and out of growing timber for harvesting. BoF Executive Officer Y.G. Gentry led the discussions, saying that old Board Policies may need to be updated. CalFire's stated "problem" involved staff time expended pondering conversion permit applications but several of us suspect an effort to regain timberland regulation primacy from Dept. of Fish and Game and the Water Quality Boards, to include raising fees and imposing new reporting burdens.*

*Many of us forest owners and their reps present that Tuesday impressed Y.G. and the BoF Committee that there's a lot more to the issues than they got from the CalFire paper and its author's presentation of it to the full Board in September. Several of us pointed to the present regulatory atmosphere—and its clear trend—as being behind observed escalation in voluntary rolling out of TPZ so as to enable future de-emphasis on timber growing, as well as growth in outright conversions to happen sooner than ten years off. In effect, we were saying you could be reaping what you've sown and you might look to your own actions as being part of the problem.*

*I think Y.G. was surprised that so much well-articulated counterpoint to the paper's issues and solutions was presented. Y.G. had several substantial questions of us and they were answered expansively. The door was held open for yet more.*

*Three days later Sally French was telling several of us after the FLC directors meeting of financially serious regulatory problems in keeping the French Ranch in SW Humboldt County intact under family*

*ownership. I noted that her account would be of interest to Y.G. and the Policy Committee in this conversion issue, and I asked Sally to say it in writing for their use. And she has.*

As I see it, the biggest danger to the environment is the breaking up of the larger land tracts in the U.S. and especially in California. The climate within our government is more and more regulation, regulation, regulation. And more and more FEES to implement those very regulations. The government dreams up a new regulation on the rural people Example: Inspection and regulation of rural septic systems. Now they want us to go to a local class (time needed in our busy schedules) and register our tank and pay a fee to have the officials come to inspect it and tell us what they want done. This is just one example of how it goes for the rural people in our state. What else? Especially in the last ten years, there's been a fast-growing array of forestry and agricultural regulations imposed duplicatively by parallel agencies, each with their own new fees. These bleed the landowner without making much difference out on their land.

These constant additional burdens on our financial and mental resources means that each year a few more of us will decide to give up. If our land goes on the block for sale, guess what? It will be subdivided. The folks in the environmental sector simply do not seem to realize just how true this is and how much land is sold out of farm, ranch and timberland production. This loss is a permanent loss and we sometimes wonder if they really care.

So many of the rural larger tracts are in the hands of older folks and the economic down turn will compound the problems of this generation to hold on to their land and pass it to the next generation. My husband and I recently sold one 80-acre parcel to fund our later years and keep any financial burden away from our heirs. Many don't have children that are willing to accept the headaches and huge responsibilities that go with owning these productive but decreasingly profitable lands. This type of ownership has always been more a thing of the heart than of wealth. But the hearts of rural people are being broken by the excesses of the ultra-liberal environmental element.

I believe that many conservation advocacies actually would like to see these large lands in public ownership, however they have no idea what this land requires in management skills and costs. Working lands have always been a part of this nation, but one wonders if this will be able to continue through the next century.

The most egregious problem is the loss of a valuable renewable resource, our productive timberland. Our nation will need this timber forever. What we are doing in our state and indeed in our nation is, by cumulative regulatory effects, pushing this land out of production. Instead, we are being pushed into subdividing it into nonproductive, gentleman-owned rancherías. These ownerships would not be able to afford good forest management even if they should want to, because timber management is expensive and the acreage too small. Instead, much of this timberland will become a fire danger into the future.

We are making it ever more expensive for timberlands to be managed and putting an ever larger burden on the state's resources (taxes on the people) to manage the fires that are the result of unmanaged timberland. CalFire is proving this each year by their continually escalating expense.

Instead of the clean air of carbon sequestration we are getting more and more pollution from the loss of carbon up in smoke.

*Besides her own firsthand knowledge with the French Ranch, Sally's been active in the Buckeye Conservancy's regulatory climate-oriented Buckeye Forest Project and is a director of the Mattole Restoration Council, a watershed-wide conservancy. Both are of diverse regional membership.*

## FLC Legislative Committee Report

*Co-Chairs, Len Lindstrand and Michael Kissel*

After years of budget shenanigans and legislative debauchery the State is on the brink of financial Armageddon. The state treasury is so close to bankruptcy that the controller is delaying payments by 30 days and threatening to issue you an IOU instead of legal tender for your state income tax refund.

The intensity of legislative infighting and bickering is second only to the unity of the minority republicans to resist all attempts by democrats to pass a mid-year budget that would balance huge tax increases with huge budget cuts. This unity so frustrated the democrats that they cut the republicans completely out of the political process to craft their January budget plan. Ironically, the Governor vetoed the democrats' plan not because it wasn't democratic, but because it didn't authorize enough spending of even more money that we don't have on his economic stimulus agenda.

The FLC legislative committee is considering legislation to improve forest health by streamlining forest regulation, affirming the rights of forest landowners, and improving public education on healthy forest practices. While there is general agreement for the need, we ourselves have been unable to reach consensus on if and when FLC should sponsor this legislation. There is a legitimate fear that under these budget crisis conditions, any attempt to further this agenda could alert the legislature to opportunities to take away any remaining forest ownership benefits. This is unfortunate because public perception that global climate change could be killing the states forest presents the best opportunity in 40 years for FLC to propose legislation that could improve forest health and revive the timber industry in California.

The legislative committee would like to hear what you think. Email your opinion to [forestlandowners@gmail.com](mailto:forestlandowners@gmail.com)

# A forest landowner's report on the 2008 Legislative Day

By Nan Deniston

It was a foggy December morning in Sacramento when our intrepid band of Forest Landowners gathered for the 2008 Legislative Day. Bill Key organized a fast-paced itinerary and kept us on schedule with drill-sergeant command and efficiency. The tour promised to lift the curtain on the mystifying world of state government and help us understand how to be effectively heard and respected in the capital corridors of power.

Our day began promptly at 8:30 am in the conference room of the beautiful First Northern Bank Building in downtown Sacramento. The first speaker of the day was Doug Yoakum, Legislative Director for Senator Dave Cox (R-Fair Oaks). After giving us a general description of the legislative process and the difficulty of pushing a Republican agenda in a Democrat-dominated senate he offered two particular suggestions to our group that were repeated by others throughout the day.

- Get to know your individual legislator's name and the names of their staff. Write them a letter, send them an e-mail or best of all speak to them in person and develop a relationship. A reasonable individual with a personal, heart-felt story can make a very big impact on their local politician. Convince your neighbors to do the same. Never assume that your voice doesn't count. We as forest landowners can have a big impact.
- He recommended that our organization support the carbon sequestration efforts that could benefit forest landowners.

Next to speak was Dan Chia, Senior Consultant for the Assembly Natural Resources Committee. Dan grew up in Ukiah and received his degree in Environmental Policy at UC Davis. Some of the issues the ANRC committee handles are waste management, energy efficiency, fire, forestry and coastal policy. The committee is comprised of 6 democrats and 3 republicans. The chairman of the committee is

from UC Berkeley. When asked "what works?" and how we can increase our visibility in Sacramento he offered the following:

- Understand the lens through which the committee member sees the world and frame your argument to that lens.
- Forest landowners should make the case that our forests sequester carbon, provide employment as well as locally-sourced timber, and preserve forests for all Californians.

Bill Key then marshaled us up the street to the impressive Cal EPA building where we met with Robert DuVall, Air Pollution Specialist for the Air Resources Board and several of his colleagues. This agency has been mandated to deal with the effects of global warming in California and their message to those of us who own forestland was primarily:

- Forests are the only sector that gobbles emissions and that fact puts all forest landowners in a unique and enviable position. We should embrace this opportunity and work proactively to identify our association as one that provides a public good to all Californians by maintaining open space and reducing carbon emissions.
- He urged our members to stay actively involved in the regulatory development process over the next two years and recommended that we:
- Sign up for E-mail lists at [www.arb.ca.gov/homepage.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/homepage.htm)
- Attend stakeholder meetings and workshops
- Get to know and work with the staff of the following key agencies that affect the forest sector

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Department of Forestry and Fire Protection  
Doug Wickizer  
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Next on the agenda was Dave Bischel, the president of the California Forestry Association (CFA) and Anthony Thomas, the new vice president of legislative affairs. CFA is a trade association that represents large industrial forest interests in our state. Today CFA represents 40 million acres of California forestland; over 85% of TPZ zoned land, and over 95% of wood products companies. Their total membership is about 200 companies. Dave and Anthony stated that FLC should be involved in the CCAR protocols issue since it's the first revenue-generating idea that has been offered. They opined that if we stay informed and involved it could have a positive impact on many of our members.

After a (very) brief lunch Bill then led us through the capital building, past the Governor's office and to the office of Senator Christine Kehoe, Democrat from San Diego. Senator Kehoe has just been appointed as chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee which places her in a powerful position. We chatted with Linda Barr, Legislative Director for Senator Kehoe. Linda described the various steps involved in introducing and passing bills. Senator Kehoe has authored a couple of bills relating to fire prevention policies in urban forests. She is especially concerned about urban/rural infill and the high cost of fire fighting in the state. She is an advocate for imposing fees on residential parcels in high fire zones. Several of our members took the opportunity to share their perspective on the toll that higher fees can exact on forest landowners and the belief that our forests provide many public benefits which remain overregulated and undercompensated. She was very receptive to our position and encouraged our members to share their personal perspective with a larger community of environmental organizations.

Our last stop of the day was at the offices of the Board of Forestry where had an in-

depth discussion with YG Gentry, the Executive officer for the Board of Forestry. He explained that the BOF is made up of a cross-section of 9 volunteer members who serve 4 year terms. They are currently focused on three priority issues: fire, climate change and water sheds. When asked how forest landowners can get their voices heard in Sacramento, YG advised that forests hold an integral place in carbon sequestration debate and that we should strive to emphasize our beneficiary role during the ongoing implementation of AB32. We wear a white hat in this area which we must communicate to others in order to effect change. He also emphasized that our healthy, managed forests help alleviate two of the biggest threats to California forests: fire and conversion.

We ended the day hearing from Crawford Tuttle, Chief Deputy Director of CDF who is responsible for resource management and Robin Harrington, a CDF staff attorney who spoke to us about forest policy and lawsuits.

In reviewing the day I was struck by the consistency of advice and feedback we received from a cross-section of political interests. Consistently, we were told that a personal request or opinion based on reasoned and heartfelt experience can have a very big impact in Sacramento. When addressing politicians or agency folk, we should strive to frame our argument in a personal manner while offering hard evidence to demonstrate how our managed forests are benefitting Californians in multiple ways. We were also advised to bring our message to more members of the environmental community who support the forest industry as a wedge against urban growth.

While it's probably safe to say that most of us would rather be working on our ranches and forests than spending time in the halls of Sacramento, it was very encouraging to see the positive and supportive gestures that we received as a small band of interested and involved forest landowners. I encourage each and every one of you to take advantage of this opportunity and contact Bill Key, FLC's legislative consultant for advice on how you can be more involved and also to reserve your place for the next Legislative Day, 2009.

## Carbon credit markets for the small forest landowner

By Michael Kissel

There is a growing interest among corporations, governments, policy makers, environmentalists, and citizens to combat the negative impacts associated with climate change. As a result, increasing number of companies are interested in reducing or offsetting their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

The most important plants on earth for storing carbon are trees. Trees convert most of the incorporated atmospheric carbon to wood. Actively growing forests are essential to increased carbon sequestration.

It takes a minimum of 1200 acres of pine plantations to sequester one offset unit of CO<sub>2</sub> of 10,000 metric tons per year.

Offset Aggregators serve as administrative and trading representatives on behalf of numerous individual participants on the Chicago Carbon Registry Exchange (CCX). They group small landowners incapable of sequestering one unit or 10,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> each year. Each landowner gets a percentage or share in the one unit.

This is an example of how small landowners can estimate the value of their carbon credits for a qualified project under CCX with the following parameters:

- Eighty acres of pine plantations were established 15 years ago.
- The trees were planted at a rate of 500-700 trees per acre.
- Over 250 trees per acre were left after the first thinning.
- Value of sequestering carbon is about \$8.00 per metric ton of CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Annual CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration is about 8 tons per acre, based on age and vigor of trees.
- Landowner signs an 8 year contract.

Based on these assumptions and using the CCX contract, the tract would sequester a total of 5,120 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> grossing about \$41,000. From this total various charges such as

aggregator fees, associate aggregator fees, verification fees, and exchange fees are subtracted leaving the landowner with about \$21,000 at the end of the contract. For a more detailed analysis see the work of Randy Rousseau, College of Forest Resources, Mississippi State University at: <http://msforestry.net/pdf/Carbon.pdf>

### Letter from the American Forest Foundation:

Dear Tree Farm Leaders,

Thanks to your work and the work of the American Forest Foundation's grassroots action network, we were successful in securing \$250 million in funding for USFS State and Private Forestry programs in the Economic Stimulus package. This funding can be used for a broad range of USFS and state forestry programs focused on activities such as hazardous fuels, forest health, ecosystem improvement, and biomass utilization. Additionally, the Stimulus includes funding and tax incentives for renewable energy produced from forest biomass, which AFF also supported.

The House and Senate are expected to pass the Stimulus conference report in the next 2 days.

AFF, working through our grassroots network of Tree Farmers, other family forest owners, forestry associations, and other partners, has been leading efforts to secure this funding, with letter writing and call in campaigns, advocacy work on Capitol Hill, and coalition letters.

To learn more about our activities or to sign up to receive future action alerts on our advocacy efforts, visit <http://familyforestaction.org> and <http://treefarmssystem.org/actionalerts/>. Thank you all for your great work!

--Rita

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## Forest Landowners of California will hold the 2009 Annual Meeting in Ukiah April 30 –May 2 (Thursday – Saturday).

As in the past, Thursday will be a field tour followed by a barbecue in the evening. We will meet at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds in Ukiah in the morning and board Fire Crew vans generously supplied by CalFire. During the morning we will visit property of the Tree Farmer of the Year, Webb Harpe, near Philo. Forestry consultant Mike Howell will show us his client's place. After lunch, we will proceed to the Cliff Ridge area of Mendocino Redwood Company property where we will view areas burned by last year's Mendocino Lightning Complex. CalFire personnel as well as foresters from Mendocino Redwood Company (MRC) will speak to us. The catered evening barbecue site is at the duck ponds at the Fairgrounds.

The venue for the Friday and Saturday meeting is the Fine Arts Building at the Fairgrounds. Our topic for the day is an attempt to sort out the complexities of carbon sequestration and subsequent trading thereof. The focus of the various speakers will be on what it all means to actual owners of the forests, ie. us. Each time slot will feature a speaker representing each of the players in the system: registry, Registered Professional Forester (biometrics), certifier/verifier, a panel of project developers (aggregators), broker/trader/buyer/reseller, and forestry consultant. We will also hear of the regional and nationwide implications of California's experience, and a view from the forest industry. Lastly we will see an example of how a sale of carbon credits might play out by running through a hypothetical sale from a forest owner. All is new, untried, untested, and continuously changing and evolving. By the May 1 date of our meeting, no doubt the picture will look different than today.

The Friday evening banquet, raffle, and awards ceremony will be held in the same meeting room.

Saturday morning the meeting will resume following continental breakfast. The latter portion of the morning will be devoted to

FLC matters during the Business Meeting. We expect to finish up around noon.

A registration form is included on the following page. Keep your eyes open for a complete registration packet coming to you in the mail, soon. If you have any questions please call Darcy in the Forest Landowners office at (530) 389-2436.

### Annual Meeting Hotel Information

#### **Hampton Inn**

1140 Airport Park Blvd, Ukiah, CA 95482  
(707) 462-6555, (707) 463-2382 Fax

[www.hamptoninnukiah.com](http://www.hamptoninnukiah.com)

Group rate for FLC members is **\$109.00** for a standard room either 1 king bed or 2 queens. This is a very elegant, brand new facility with pool, spa, workout room, koi ponds, etc. Rate includes complimentary full breakfast buffet with hot entrees.

#### **Comfort Inn and Suites Ukiah**

1220 Airport Park Blvd, Ukiah, CA 95482  
(707) 462-3442, (707) 462-3485 Fax

[www.choicehotels.com](http://www.choicehotels.com)

Group rate for FLC members is **\$89.00** for a standard room. These are large and very nice. Rate includes complimentary full breakfast buffet including hot entrees.

#### **Redwood Empire Fair RV Park**

1055 North State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482  
(at south end of Fairgrounds parking lot)  
(707) 462-3884, (707) 462-2641 FAX

[www.redwoodempirefair.com](http://www.redwoodempirefair.com)

Rates: Individual overnight **\$28.00/night**  
Good Sam Club **\$25.00/night** with club card  
Escapee RV Club **\$24.00/night** with club card  
Senior Discount (65) **\$25.00/night**

#### **Days Inn Ukiah**

950 N. State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482  
(across the street from the Fairgrounds)  
(707) 462-7584

[www.the.daysinn.com/ukiah02495](http://www.the.daysinn.com/ukiah02495)

Group rate for FLC members of **\$59.99** (one queen or king bed) and **\$69.99** for two queen beds.

Continental Breakfast is included in all rates, they have an outdoor pool.

*Registration Form  
Annual Meeting 2009, Ukiah, CA  
Thursday, April 30-Saturday, May 2*

*Please register us for the following:*

Conference Registration	Number	Amount	Total
FLC Members..... \$85.00	_____	_____	_____
FLC Member Couples.....\$120.00	_____	_____	_____
Non-Member Indvl.....\$105.00	_____	_____	_____
Non-Member Couple.....\$180.00	_____	_____	_____

*The registration fee covers the Friday and Saturday seminars, Friday buffet lunch and continental breakfast expenses.*

Thursday Field Trip.....\$15.00 (includes lunch)	_____	_____	_____
Thursday Evening BBQ.....\$25.00	_____	_____	_____
Friday Banquet Dinner			
Red Meat choice.....\$40.00	_____	_____	_____
Fish/Fowl/Veg. choice.....\$40.00	_____	_____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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**\*NOTE: LATE REGISTRATION (AFTER APRIL 15) PLEASE ADD 10% TO TOTAL:**

**Please consider bringing an item for the raffle or silent auction or sponsoring an event! Your help is greatly appreciated and makes our Annual Meeting possible.**

Yes, we will bring a raffle or silent auction item. Specify item: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PROPERTY/TREE FARM/RANCH/COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES FOR TAGS: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CLIP THIS FORM AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO *Forest Landowners of California* TO:  
FOREST LANDOWNERS OF CALIFORNIA, P.O. BOX 391, AUBURN, CA 95604

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# **Forest Stewardship in the Rural-Residential Wildland Interface**

**Workshops for Landowners in Placer, Nevada  
and El Dorado Counties  
June 5, 12, 19 and 26**

## **Workshop Objectives:**

Provide landowners and land managers with information on the ecology, history, risks and management of forested properties.

Show landowners examples of management practices undertaken to reduce risk and enhance forest health.

Introduce landowners to agencies and programs that they can participate in to gain technical and financial support for their management.

## **Topics and Agenda**

<b><i>Sponsored by:</i></b>	8:00-8:30	Registration and Introduction
UC Cooperative Extension,	8:30-9:15	Sierra Forest Ecology
Cal-FIRE, USDA Natural	9:15-10:00	Forest Management History
Resource Conservation	10:00-10:15	Break
Service, Placer, Nevada	10:15-11:00	Forest Health and Risks (drought, fire, insects, disease)
and El Dorado County	11:00-11:45	Watershed Health and Streams
Resource Conservation	11:45-12:10	Sources of Technical and Financial Assistance
Districts	12:10-1:30	Lunch, Travel to Field Sites (carpool is possible)
	1:30-5:00	Field Trip to Observe Management Practices

**For more information and a registration form, contact:**

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