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**Forest Management Task Force  
Northern Regional Prioritization Group**

Thursday, February 14, 2019 (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month)

8:30 – 10:00 AM

Conference Call: **1 (707) 576-2048**

I. Opening remarks, welcome new members (Tom Hall, Shannon Johnson).

a. Approve January meeting minutes (All).

Meeting minutes approved by group.

II. March NRPG Workshop Update (Bruce Courtright)

a. Review of proposed Agenda

Workshop overview – 5 groups for participants to choose from (mapping, prioritization, large project, small project and management processes).

It was suggested that prioritization should be for all participants, this item will be taken to the workshop subcommittee.

Draft agenda will be sent to the group, any comments or concerns about the agenda should be emailed to Shannon to give to workshop subcommittee.

b. Scheduled for March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Gaia Hotel in Anderson, CA.

Doodle poll for attendance will be sent to the group, please RSVP as soon as possible.  
(<https://doodle.com/poll/bs72mib792bm3iyx>)

III. FMTF February Meeting Update (Shannon Johnson)

Update on Executive Order N-05-19 – 45 day report will be submitted to the Governor on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. (see attached handout)

Board of Forestry Regulations Update – AB 901 Forest Practice Emergency Actions – Working Forest Management Plan and restructuring of Exemptions.

Resource Agency: Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program Grant Guidelines

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presentation. <https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/grant-programs/Pages/Regional-Forest-and-Fire-Capacity-Program.aspx>

Quarterly Acres Treatment Reporting – See attached handout

U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Bill – Forestry on page 356 Title 8, Conservation Page 42 Title 2.

News Release from USFS – Survey Finds 18 Million Trees Died in California in 2018 (see attached)

IV. Government Furloughs (Tom Hall)

Due to furlough, there will be a reprioritization of work due to timelines that were missed. If another furlough does occur, health and safety will still be authorized as the situation dictates.

V. Prescribed Fire Working Group Update (Jamie Sammut, Dar Mims)

a. Upcoming resource availability and planned burning exercises

Looking at what burns are coming up in the next three years.

What resources are available to complete the burns.

Working on Prescribed Fire Information Reporting System (PFIRS) to be made the clearinghouse for burns.

Looking at trying to get more fire on the ground. Need to be regionally coordinated to make a difference.

Looking at resources to get best work for the cost.

Wanting maps to make good decisions on what is available.

Projects proposed – wanting everything people are thinking on the landscape (all groups/agencies)

Project information collected will help to make decisions on burn day status.

Any narratives for burn day status.

Understand that burn conditions vary based on county regulations.

Needing good quality data to support decisions.

VI. California Natural Resources Agency Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program (Shannon Johnson)

a. <https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/grant-programs/Pages/Regional-Forest-and-Fire-Capacity-Program.aspx>

California Natural Resources Agency appropriated \$20 million to develop non-competitive block grant program. Working to develop forestry priorities and projects by working with and building capacity of stakeholders. North coast regional partnership allocated \$4.25 million.

Timelines: February 15, 2019 Guidelines released

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February 20, 2019 Funding recommendations posted  
March 4, 2019 (proposed, subject to change) Awards made

- VII. Review responses to Forest Management and Restoration WG Membership Query
  - a. Additional comments
- VIII. New business and announcements.
  - a. Updates from Collaboratives.
  - b. Action Items.
  - c. Bin Items.
- IX. Report items for the full FMTF in March 2019.
- X. Closing comments and next steps.

Next **Full Forest Management Task Force** monthly meeting:

March 11, 2019, 1:00-4:00 PM

Coastal Room, CalEPA  
1001 I St, Sacramento, CA 95812

**WEBINAR OPTION:**

[\(correct link available some time in March, 2019\)](#)

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