



A helicopter in downtown Sacramento?

**California
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Contract negotiations completed

by Joanne North

Contract negotiations for the twenty bargaining units of state employees were completed and Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) signed in June. CDF employees are included in ten of the twenty bargaining units. Because the bulk of the department's represented employees are in Unit 8 (Firefighters), the limited resources of the Labor Relations Office were concentrated principally in negotiations for that unit.

Peggy Lucas, the Labor Relations Officer, served as chief negotiator for the management negotiating team which included Bob Connelly, Jim Dykes, Jim Simmons and Joanne North. Bob Clifford represented the Department of Personnel Administration (DPA) while Steve Phillips served as the State Personnel Board liaison. The CDFEA team, headed by Ron Yank, was comprised of Dan Nichols, Vic Weaver, Ron Bywater and Jack Consol. The teams met weekly from January through June 22, when the MOU was completed.

The contract provisions cover items ranging from grievance procedure and leave usage to overtime recording and physical fitness. Several unique provisions are included in the MOU.

The release time bank provides that employees in the unit may donate specified increments of CTO time to a bank which may, on approval by the supervisor, be used by certain designated employees for legitimate association business. Another innovative provision entitles bargaining unit employees to twelve floating holidays in lieu of the twelve pre-existing holidays. The employee may use these holidays in accordance with the vacation scheduling provision in the MOU.

Contracts for the other units also cover working conditions and benefits such as bereavement leave, per diem, overtime, and hours of work. Following ratification, labor relations staff from the department and DPA will provide contract administration training to management staff.

CDF joins CALSTARS

On July 1, 1982, CDF implemented the California State Accounting and Reporting System (CALSTARS), a part of the overall master plan for improved state budgeting, accounting and financial reporting. This master plan, mandated by AB 3322, is known as the California Fiscal Information System (CFIS).

As an automated departmental accounting system, CALSTARS is an integral part of CFIS and will transmit summarized financial information to the CFIS data base. Information in the CFIS data will be used by the Legislature, Legislative Analyst, Department of Finance and Agency to assess a department's performance and evaluate budget change proposals and other requests.

The primary purpose of CALSTARS is to provide agencies with a wide range of accounting capabilities such as traditional line item and program cost accounting, grant accounting, automated claim schedules and remittance advice preparation, project billing, and vendor payment history.

The greatest impact to this department in the implementation of CALSTARS is the revision of the coding structure previously used by CDF. AB 3322 requires that a coding system be developed to obtain accurate and comparable records, reports and statements of all financial affairs of the State. Therefore, CDF has revised its coding scheme to correspond with the uniform codes manual and has developed Program Cost Accounts (PCA) to correspond with the Governor's Budget.

Administrative Services Officer Norma Moreno stated that the Program Time Reporting System (PTRS) codes will no longer be used when filling out a time sheet; instead employees will use the PCA coding structure which has been developed for CALSTARS. New codes have been developed to identify costs by organizational unit and objects of expenditures. These codes will be used when coding expenditure documents.

A very special VIP



Bernie Owens is a very important member of the Volunteers in Prevention at the Amador/El Dorado Ranger Unit. He devotes three or four days a week going through fire reports from 1977-81 to gather statistics on the cause of fires and their locations. This information will pinpoint the areas that need to be covered by the VIPs and will be helpful in determining the effectiveness of the program both now and in the future. Owens is also active in the school team teaching program.

VIP coordinator Helen Cowell said, "He's a goer! He likes to keep busy and is always there when needed."

☆☆ CDF ANNUAL BUDGET OUTLINED ☆☆

When Governor Brown signed the state budget for the 1982-83 fiscal year, he noted that this is the first time since the Depression that a budget is less than each of the two previous fiscal years as a result of sharp declines in General Fund revenues. The current recession - caused chiefly by federal policies - may cause further reductions in General Fund revenues during the fiscal year that began July 1st.

The hiring and spending freeze imposed since last March expired on June 30th. While relief from the

freeze may be temporary, employee hiring and purchasing of equipment and office supplies may proceed as needed.

Department of Forestry's budget for support operations for 1982-83 totals \$173,295,000 from all funding sources compared to nearly the identical amount of \$173,434,000 for the fiscal year that ended on June 30th. This very slight reduction (less than one-tenth of a percent) is in contrast to a 7% decline in the overall state budget. The support 1982-83 budget is scheduled as follows:

Fire Protection, State Responsibility.....	\$120,213,000
Fire Protection, Local Government Contract.....	32,497,000
Resource Management.....	20,585,000
Administration (distributed into the above amounts) (10,624,000)
Total Expenditures (All Funds).....	\$173,295,000
Less: Reimbursements.....	-39,597,000
Net Appropriation (All Funds).....	\$133,698,000

The capital outlay budget totals \$128,000 after Legislative cuts - the smallest it has been for many years - down considerably from the \$833,000 proposed by the Department and included in the Governor's Budget submitted to the Legislature in January.

Budget Highlights

- Most of the Department's budget cuts were in General Fund support which is 92 % for fire protection.
- Special fund programs, mostly in the resource management area, suffered lesser cuts and in a few cases actually increased. Special funds include Energy and Resources Fund (ERF); Forest Resources Improvement Fund (FRIF); Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF); and Renewable Resources Investment Fund (RRIF). These funds are supported by revenues from tideland oil, geothermal leases and timber sales from state forests.
- The Chaparral Management Program received \$3,471,000 of ERF funds to continue the program designed to reduce fire hazards and damage from large high-intensity wildfires, to increase water supplies, and enhance air quality and

range forage. Included is a seventh medium turbine helicopter (UH-1F) for use in fire suppression and vegetation management activities in southern California.

- The Dutch Elm Disease Project was transferred from the Department of Food and Agriculture to the Department of Forestry. This budget provides \$1,500,000 (\$1,250,000 ERF; \$250,000 General Fund) for state participation in a multi-year effort to control Dutch Elm Disease within California communities under the Department's urban forestry authorization.
- \$442,000 was provided for energy conservation projects at forest fire stations and other facilities.
- Total reductions in both the Governor's Budget and those made in Legislative hearings totalled \$5,800,000. These reductions are summarized on page 4

- Control language was adopted to require CDF to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on its negotiations with Bureau of Land Management and United States Forest Service concerning existing fire protection agreements. It provides for appropriate adjustments in the amount of pre-suppression costs paid by the BLM to the state, taking into consideration current level of salaries, operating expenses and price adjustments.

- Although state employees will not be receiving a raise in salary, they will receive a 2.5 percent raise in health and pension benefits, which will be financed from retirement system reserves. This results in higher take-home pay while gross salaries will remain the same.

- Capital outlay projects approved by the Legislature include the following:

Redding Forest Fire Station - Barracks/Mess Hall	-	\$ 55,000
Perris Headquarter - Auto Shop	-	21,000
Columbia Air Attack Base - Facility Improvements	-	20,000
Minor Capital Outlay Projects	-	32,000
		<u>\$128,000</u>

- The schedule below displays Forestry's support budget by major programs and funding sources:

Departmental staff have already begun working on the 1983-84 budget, incorporating management planning efforts, involving operational units in preparing the baseline budget, and reviewing budget change proposals. It should be stressed, however, that the 1983-84 budget will probably be revised by the Governor-elect, for the first time in eight years, prior to the budget being submitted to the Legislature in January.

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82-83 budget update

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Reductions by Legislative Action

	P.Y.	Amount		P.Y.	Amount
<u>Reductions Included in Governor's Budget</u> (From General Fund unless otherwise noted.)					
Reduce Courses at Training Academy	-	\$ 35,000	Reduce Travel by 25% throughout Department	-	\$ 214,000
Reduce Mass Media Budget	-	75,000	Additional mandatory salary savings over and above salary savings in Governor's Budget	39.1	1,011,566
Five Fire Stations Reduced from 2 Engines to 1 Engine Stations	11	374,000	Reduce Sacramento Headquarters' administrative staff and operating expenses	5.75	243,074
Staff 5 Fire Stations only during severe fire weather periods	8.1	324,000	Reduce staffing at Region Headquarters	1.5	40,236
Reduce Forest Practice Inspectors positions due to decline in timber harvesting	8	384,000	Reduce Lookouts and Fire Stations	8.51	205,505
Reduce Equipment Budget	-	158,000	Delete Cost-of-Living Adjustments and reduce proportional amount of Fire Protection Contracts with counties and USFS.	-	401,000
			Reduce staffing at 2 Conservation Camps	5	167,097
			Reduce staffing in Resource Management - FRAP, Forest Improvement, Special Projects, Data Processing, State Forests (Various Funds)	6.27	181,522
			Delete Bio Mass Harvester Proposal (ERF)	-	500,000
			Reduce funding for California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP) /Forest Resources Improvement Fund (FRIF) as a result of anticipated loss of revenue from declining timber sales from State Demonstration Forests	-	600,000
			Proposed statutory authority to collect timber harvest permit fees was eliminated from the "Trailer Bill" during subcommittee deliberations. The entire \$1,004,000 fee schedule included in the Governor's Budget was deleted and \$844,000 was restored with a change in funding sources: Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF) - \$200,000, Energy and Resources Fund (ERF) - \$500,000, Renewable Resources Investment Fund (RRIF) - \$144,000. The net reduction was \$160,000.	-	160,000

1982-83 Budget By Program and Funding Source
(In Thousands)

Program	Total	General Fund (GF)	Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF)	Resources Account Energy & Resources Fund (ERF)	Forest Resources Improvement Fund (FRIF)	Renewable Resources Investment Fund (RRIF)	Special Deposit Fund (SDF)	Professional Foresters Registration Fund (PFRF)	Timber Tax Fund (TTF)	Federal Fund (FF)	Reimbursements (Reimb)
Fire Protection, State Responsibility	119,771	111,666								1,005	7,100
Fire Protection, Local Government	32,497										32,497
Resource Management (other than projects below)	8,107	7,531						82	19	475	
Admin. (distributed above)	(20,426)	(10,426)									
Chaparral Management	3,471	421		3,050*							
Timber Harvest Plan Admin.	855		219	492*		144					
Dutch Elm Disease	1,478	250		1,228*							
Watershed Mapping	498					498					
Soil Erosion Study	200					200					
Forest Improvement	4,957			400	4,557						
Urban Forestry	784				384**	400					
Santa Monica Mountain Community Revegetation Proj.	135					135					
Forest Practice Corrective Work	100		100								
Energy Conservation Projects	442						442				
Totals	173,295	119,868	319	5,170*	4,941	1,377	442	82	19	1,480	39,597

*Less share of \$83,000 mandatory salary savings.

** Statutorily set at 10% of net state revenue to FRIF

Open House held at San Bernadino ECC

by LoVae Pray Martines
Public Affairs Officer -
San Bernardino Ranger Unit

The completion of the new Emergency Command Center at the San Bernardino Ranger Unit Headquarters was celebrated with an open house and luncheon for local officials and members of the press on May 24, 1982.

Southern California Region VI Chief Rex Griggs and San Bernardino Ranger-in-Charge Don C. Banghart joined with ECC personnel in greeting those who attended the day-long open house.

Members of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors and County Administrative Officer Robert Rigney were presented with badges as honorary fire chiefs during the luncheon. The badges were provided by the San Bernardino Chapter of the California Department of Forestry Employees Association. The supervisors read a resolution of officially proclaiming the first week of June as "Fire Awareness Week."

Construction began in October, 1980 turning the former auto shop into a sophisticated 3,000 square-foot dispatch facility. The auto shop was constructed as part of the original ranger unit headquarters in the 1930s.

The command center houses the 1,200 square-foot command floor, a



San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors present Ranger-in-Charge Don C. Banghart with a resolution proclaiming "Fire Awareness Week" in San Bernardino County. Left to right, Supervisor David McKenna, County Administrative Officer Robert Rigney, Chief Banghart, Chairman Bob Hammock, and Supervisors Cal McElwain and Bob Older.

two administrative offices, a reception area and a kitchenette.

The ECC is staffed with six dispatchers and has available, through pagers, Paid Call personnel trained to serve as dispatchers, supervised by Communications Chief Ray Snodgrass. The facility operates 24 hours a day and uses two computer systems to maintain current status of resources, weather and incidents. One system connects with all of the Firescope cooperators in Southern California and the second links all the CDF command centers statewide. Communications with other radio vault where the transmitters

are located, a situation status room, state and county fire and law enforcement agencies are maintained with microwave telephone and intercom systems.

Nearly 11,000 incidents were handled by the San Bernardino ECC in 1981 and the incidents continue to increase with the development of rural areas in San Bernardino County. The ECC was designed to be expanded operationally in order to meet the needs of large and multiple incidents. There are now three console positions operating and more will be added as required.



Workers guide the transmitter tower into proper location.

It's Savings Bond time

There is probably something you would like very much to do—if you had the money. If you're not satisfied with the amount of money you're saving, then there's a special opportunity coming your way in August. It's your chance to sign up for the Payroll Savings Plan for United States Savings Bonds or to speed up your rate of saving if you're already participating. Almost without knowing it, you can build the kind of financial security that makes travel possible, helps finance a child's higher education, or simply provides the reserve that meets emergencies or unexpected bills.

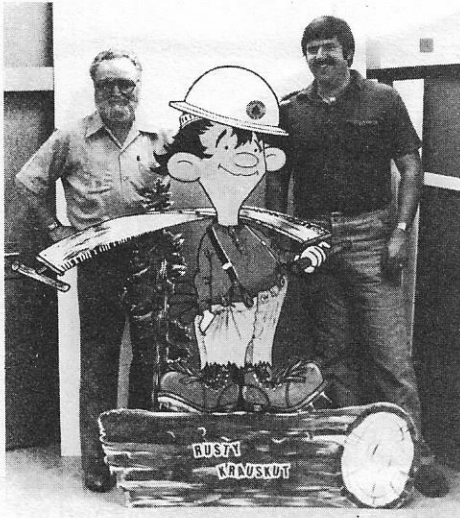
"With payroll savings, something is set aside from every paycheck—automatically, every payday," said

Department Coordinator Frank Quadro. "Once you're signed up, whatever amount you choose is set aside regularly from your paycheck. You never see it - so you don't miss it."

The interest rates on Savings Bonds are higher than ever before. They earn 9 percent when held to maturity of eight years, with intermediate yields of 6 percent after one year and 8½ percent after five years.

You pay no state or local income taxes on your Series EE Bonds Interest, and federal income tax can be deferred until the bonds are cashed, reach final maturity, or even longer if exchanged for Series HH Bonds.

Industry lauds Improved Harvesting Program



Rusty Krauskut flanked by Farmer and Stanley

The CDF Improved Harvesting Program assists private industry in recovering more volume from trees being harvested. As part of the federally-funded Forest Utilization Program, this section provides a computer evaluation on falling operations to show fallers how they can improve their recovery.

In addition to these Falling and Bucking evaluations there has been

a great deal of interest in a special recovery study done at Bendix Forest Products in Martel, California, by the United States Forest Service (USFS), Bendix, and CDF personnel. Results showed the effect of harvesting damage to logs, such as stump pull, breakage, and mechanical damage on lumber values. The study also showed losses of 38 dollars per thousand board feet. Prior to the study the industry accepted these types of losses as normal and did not consider them a major dollar loss.

A slide presentation was developed from this study to increase awareness of management and to be used in training timber fallers and equipment operators. The slide program has been shown to about 2500 people all over the western United States, among them, personnel from Kaibab Forest Industry in Fredonia, Arizona. As a result, Kaibab, through the USFS, requested that CDF Forester Mark Stanley assist in a similar study of their mill. The USFS paid for the trip.

Tony Sims, Woods Quality Control Officer for Kaibab said, "Mark's

knowledge of log quality problems and their implications has helped Kaibab to head in a positive direction toward improving our efficiency and timber utilization." Using the study, Kaibab was able to document an opportunity to increase their recovery by \$470,000 annually.

Stanley believes his most effective tools are education and communication. The education effort ranges from slide presentations, to computer-assisted evaluation, to just plain attention-getters to start the communications aspect. Such an attention-getter is "Rusty Krauskut" created by CDF Graphic Artist Lynn Farmer. Rusty signifies the old-time faller with misery whip (crosscut saw) over his shoulder.

Rusty will greet state foresters from all over the country and will staff an information booth on utilization programs at the September meeting of the National Association of State Foresters. He will star in an upcoming slide presentation contrasting old falling and bucking techniques, good and bad, with new techniques.

Children love Smokey



Kindergarteners at Pioneer Elementary School received tips on fire prevention from Smokey the Bear during a recent visit to the CDF Davis facility.

The students received badges, posters and a complete tour of the facility.

Larry Lingerfelter, father of kindergartener Marc Lingerfelter, organized the tour, with the help of Bob Stribling and Rod Gravink.

20th Annual Spring Forest Fire Meeting

Nearly 100 timber industry workers and forest officials met at Lyman Springs on May 26, for the 20th annual Spring Forest Fire Meeting hosted by Diamond International. Among others representing CDF were Director Pesonen and Ranger-in-Charge Bob Kersteins, Tehama-Glen Ranger Unit. Pesonen and Kersteins reviewed the CDF 1981 fire season, fire organization for 1982, prevention and suppression plans for 1982, and update of the Chaparral Management Program.

Budget cuts that have reduced government manpower and equipment were a prime concern as the group outlined fire attack plans and industry-government cooperation for the coming fire season. The Vina Air Attack Station helicopter demonstrated fire retardant drops during the meeting.

Making morning campfire not reckless conduct by Tim Huff

The California Appellate Court held that the man responsible for the disastrous Stable Fire in 1980 did not act recklessly. This fire occurred in San Gabriel Canyon near Pasadena on November 15 of that year.

Roy Martinez and Adrian Ruiz hired John Budish to clear brush and keep trespassers off their property in a mountain canyon. Budish lived with his girlfriend in a trailer provided by his employers. The propane stove in the trailer lacked fuel and the employers failed to supply any, so Budish heated water over a campfire he made in a small fire ring on the premises. The owners had told him not to set fires, but they knew he was using the ring as they "accepted hot coffee" from him when they visited the premises. One morning a Santa Ana wind arose af-

ter Budish had extinguished the morning campfire with sand. The wind turned out to be "the strongest Santa Ana wind experienced in years." A fire started on the property, spread over a wide area, and consumed or damaged 80 homes and 6000 acres of national forest. Budish was charged under Penal Code section 452 with unlawfully burning inhabited structures, property and forest, but the trial court granted his motion to set the information aside on the ground that he had not acted recklessly in making the campfire.

The Appellate Court affirmed. The evidence showed the campfire was the proximate cause of the ensuing disaster, but the court said there was "simply no evidence that the defendant was aware of the risk of

widespread conflagration and that he consciously disregarded that risk." He had been using the fire ring "without incident and apparently with due care" in order to provide "the most minimum of creature comforts," and could not have reasonably anticipated the extraordinary wind conditions that led to the forest fire. His conduct was not "a gross deviation from normal standards of conduct" and his "negligent failure to perceive the risk did not amount to reckless conduct."

25 years for Hofhenke

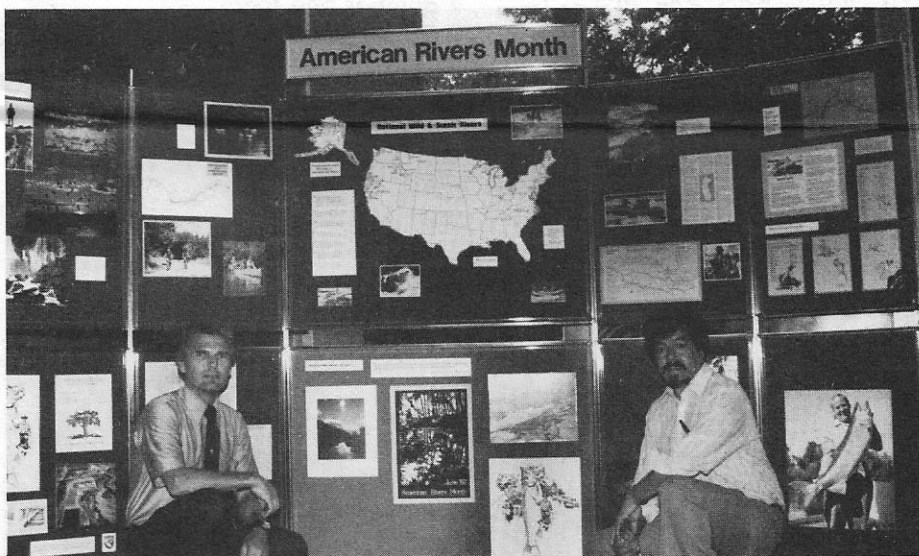
by Dietra Smith

Fire Prevention Officer Roger Hofhenke was recently awarded his 25-year pin by Gary L. Buzzini, ranger-in-charge of the Shasta Trinity Ranger Unit where Roger has worked since July 1975.

Roger, an upwardly mobile individual, began his career in 1955 as a fire fighter in the Tehama Glen Ranger Unit and was promoted twice during the following four years. In 1966 he transferred to the Airport Fire Station in the Orange Ranger Unit and the following year he was promoted to the rank of Fire Prevention Officer I and administered the fire prevention activities in the North Ranger District. In 1973, he was appointed Battalion Chief at the Madera-Mariposa Ranger Unit.

In keeping with his upwardly mobile posture Roger continued to work toward his college education, during his 25 years of service to the people of California.

American Rivers Month on display



Jim Abbott and Dave Rodriguez

Throughout June, SFR I Jim Abbott and Senior Graphic Artist Dave Rodriguez participated in the American Rivers Month Observance designed to promote public awareness of the importance of rivers to our environment.

Abbott is on a training and development assignment serving in the Resources Agency Management Executive Training Program. He was the State Coordinator responsible for planning, developing, and coordinating a calendar of river events between river interest associations,

Resources Agency departments, and the American Rivers Month Headquarters in Boston, Mass.

Rodriguez, throughout his 27 years with CDF, has designed many exhibits such as this one portraying the scenic, recreational, and economic benefits that rivers and streams provide to California citizens.

The exhibit was on display in Sacramento at the main entrance to the Resources Agency auditorium where speakers from various river interest associations made presentations.



Hofhenke and Buzzini

Last but not entirely the least

by Dave Hillman

Basic Fire Control Class #79 graduated from the Academy with the smallest class in the Academy's history. The class started out on May 24 with only 17 students and graduated with 14 on July 2. However, size isn't everything. BFC #79 had a number of firsts.

- 1st - The class grade-point-average of 91.89 is the highest in the Academy's history for Basic Fire Control.
- 1st - The class had the most college "A" grades of any Basic Fire Control class this year. This includes classes more than twice as large.
- 1st - Wendy Windsor is the first female to place in the top three positions of a class. She carried a 95.79 average to the graduation stand.



Joseph Fassler, Wendy Windsor and Marc Romero

Kerry Elite, class coordinator, took special pride in BFC #79. "I was impressed with the class because they pulled together. They took advantage of individual strengths and kept the entire class up," Elite said, "Teamwork was their number one

priority and consequently they were a number one team."

Elite celebrated the class graduation in a non-typical manner. He pinned on his new gold horns and star badge, representing his promotion to SFR I.

Picnics are fun ?



The San Benito-Monterey Ranger Unit held their annual family picnic on May 1st at Bolado Park in Hollister. Approximately 200 people from San Benito-Monterey and Santa Clara Ranger Units attended. The highlight of the afternoon was when Ranger Unit Chief Tom Perkins was repeatedly dunked in a tank of cold water by daring subordinates with good aim. Gary Welch, Jerry Pingree, Bill Gouge, and Art Smith proved to be masters of the BBQ pit. The rowdy softball game between SB-MTY and SC was won by Neil McBride's Marauders from Santa Clara. Thanks to Greg Scott for organizing this year's chaos.

1981 Safety Awards



Region V Chief John Hastings looks on as SFR II Cliff Haggard, Bollinger Canyon Fire Center; For. II John Ritchey, Ben Lomond Nursery; SFR IV Fred Frank, San Luis Obispo Ranger Unit; and SFR II Bill Boro, Ben Lomond Camp, proudly display their 1981 Safety Awards. The certificates were presented at a recent Region V Management Meeting.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

This listing of legislation affecting CDF is compiled monthly by the Legislative Office. For further information, (916) 445-6441, (ATSS) 485-6441, or Green Phone 62.

FIRE PROTECTION AND PREVENTION

SB 999 (Campbell) DE-REGULATES SALE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN CITY BOUNDARIES.—Passed Senate and Assembly. Returned to Senate pending concurrence with Assembly amendments; on inactive file. NO POSITION.

SB 1209 (O'Keefe) GENERAL PLANS: COUNTIES AND CITIES: MAKES SAFETY ELEMENTS PERMISSIVE INSTEAD OF MANDATORY.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Local Government; amendments pending. OPPOSE.

SB 1268 (Campbell) ARSON: PROBATION. PROHIBITS GRANTING OF PROBATION IN ARSON WHERE BODILY INJURY RESULTS.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice. SUPPORT.

SB 1300 (Presley) URBAN FORESTRY PROGRAM: USE OF CONSERVATION CAMP INMATES AND WARDS; GIVES PEACE OFFICER STATUS TO CDF.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. SUPPORT.

SB 1363 (Presley) CDF FIRE PROTECTION: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS (SCHEDULE A).—Died in Committee.

SB 1425 (Ayala) URBAN DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE ACT: HOUSING: GENERAL PLAN, SAFETY ELEMENTS.—In Senate, on third reading. NO POSITION.

SB 1481 (Presley) FIREWORKS: EMERGENCY SIGNALING DEVICES; PROHIBITS SALE TO MINORS.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. SUPPORT.

SB 1568 (Campbell) COST OF FIRE PROTECTION: STARTING FIRES: COLLECTION OF SUPPRESSION COSTS.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. SUPPORT.

SB 1916 (Ayala) FIRE PREVENTION: HAZARDOUS FIRE ZONES: CLEANUP OF SB 78.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. SUPPORT.

AB 2889 (N. Waters) ADDS A FIFTH MEMBER TO THE STATE BOARD OF FIRE SERVICES.—Signed by Governor 7-9-82 (Chapter 485, 1982)

AB 2928 (Farr) ADDS CHAPARRAL MANAGEMENT TO RRIF UNDER DESIGNATED PROVISIONS.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Finance. SUPPORT.

AB 3442 (Levine) ENERGY: STATE POLICY: IMPLEMENTATION.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Energy and Public Utilities. NO POSITION.

AB 3534 (N. Waters) DENIES THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WHEN AVAILABLE THROUGH THE PRIVATE SECTOR.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Finance. SUPPORT.

AB 3630 (Martinez) DELETES THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR ISSUING PERMITS FOR SOILD WASTE FACILITIES.—This bill will be amended into AB 3752.

AB 3752 (Sebastiani) CLEAN-UP ON SPARK ARRESTER STATUTES.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Finance. SUPPORT.

AB 3797 (Robinson) BUILDINGS: FLAME-RETARDANT ROOFS.—Passed Assembly. In Senate. SUPPORT.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

SB 856 (Keene) TIMBER OPERATIONS: FOREST PRACTICES: COUNTY AND REGIONAL REGULATIONS.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. NO POSITION.

SB 1680 (Alquist) PRESCRIBED BURNING: INCLUDES WILDLANDS CONTIGUOUS TO SRA.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways & Means. SUPPORT.

SB 1797 (Johnson) CALIFORNIA LICENSED FORESTERS ASSOCIATION'S TIMBER MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. SUPPORT IF AMENDED.

SB 1799 (Keene) TIMBER SALES CONTRACTS: REGULATIONS MODIFYING OR CANCELLING STATE FOREST TIMBER SALES.—Signed by Governor 6-29-82, Chapter 324, 1982).

AB 2261 (Campbell) TRANSFERS THE DUTCH ELM DISEASE PROGRAM TO CDF FROM DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.—Signed by Governor 6-30-82, (Chapter 327, 1982).

AB 2552 (N. Waters) TIMBERLAND PRESERVE ZONES: PUBLIC NOTICE.—Passed Assembly. In Senate on second reading. SUPPORT.

AB 2770 (Sher) TIMBERLAND ZONING AND TIMBERLAND OPERATIONS.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Finance. SUPPORT.

ADMINISTRATION AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

SB 307 (Dills) PERS: TWO YEARS SERVICE CREDIT.—Passed Senate. In Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. NO POSITION.

AB 3011 (Torres) WORKERS COMPENSATION: FIREFIGHTERS: WOULD INCLUDE CANCER WHICH DEVELOPS OR MANIFESTS ITSELF DURING THE PERIOD OF THE SPECIFIED EMPLOYMENT OF ACTIVE FIREFIGHTING MEMBERS OF STATE AND LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Industrial Relations. NO POSITION.

AB 3331 (Katz) EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION PLAN: RESOURCES AGENCY.—Passed Assembly. In Senate Committee on Governmental Organization. NO POSITION.

MANPOWER, ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

AB 3799 (N. Waters) TRANSFERS STATE-OWNED PROPERTY WITHOUT COST (AMADOR COUNTY).—In Assembly; on third reading. SUPPORT.

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Alder Springs education trail opens

A unique forest and brushland management education trail in Alder Springs recently completed a successful inaugural run by a group of fourth, fifth and sixth graders from Orland.

The trail and a 38-page teachers' guide was primarily developed by students in a special studies class under the supervision of Dr. Jon Hooper at Chico State University.

The trail will provide an opportunity for children to get a firsthand look at how foresters and fire managers are taking care of public forest and brushlands.

This innovative program is designed to show children that the wildlands can be properly managed, according to Robert Kerstiens, ranger-in-charge of the Tehama Glenn Ranger Unit of the California Depart-

ment of Forestry, and Jim Davis, forest supervisor of the Mendocino National Forest.

Although fire prevention is heavily emphasized, the use of fire in prescribed burning is also demonstrated to the children.

The first test of the trail was conducted by Mrs. Pat Bruce and her 26 fourth graders from Fairview Elementary School in Orland. Chico State students, Hooper, CDF and USFS representatives went along with the class to monitor and make any necessary improvements on the trail guide.

The trail guide will be printed by the State Printing Office and issued throughout Glenn County and statewide because of its adaptability to any forest and brushland area. A one day teacher's workshop will be

conducted over the trail during the fall months.

The success of the trail program has required the cooperative efforts of CDF, USFS, Chico State University, Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, Hoo-Hoo-Ettes and the Orland Women's Club.

This project was organized and kept active through the efforts of Unit Forester Dennis Bebensee. He has felt that quite often there has been too much emphasis on environmental education and not enough effort to show that our natural resources are, and can be, managed. This project has been under way for about one year now, but has only involved about 40 CDF manhours. Motivating other groups to get involved has been the key to success of this project.

ANNUAL FIREMEN'S DAY



Bob Kersteins with Chief Dave Gunsuals, Ridgeway Volunteer Fire Department.

The Annual Tehama Rural Fire Department picnic and field day was held at Mill Creek Park on Sunday, May 2. Over 800 people were in attendance. The annual event is growing every year, said Ranger-in-Charge Bob Kersteins.

Highlight of the all-day picnic was the presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation by Kersteins to the Ridgeway Volunteer Department. Last year the Corning rural depart-

ment won the award.

Kersteins said the Ridgeway department is in its second year of activity. During 1981, the Ridgeway volunteers did not miss an incident response dispatch and excelled in all training. They also took the time to remodel an old Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company building into a fire department with all volunteer labor.

All organized Fire Departments in Tehama County were represented. Most County department heads, Board of Supervisor members, Justice and Superior Court Judges, and Senator Jim Nielson were in attendance.

The Tehama Rural Fire Department consists of 15 volunteer fire companies, Schedule A personnel and CDF administration. They operate 55 pieces of automotive equipment - engines, water tenders, and administrative vehicles. Most all equipment is CDF surplus engines and Federal excess converted vehicles for emergency use.

Ranger-in-Charge Bob Kersteins indicates that over 250 paid firemen and women responded to 1,450 incidents in 1981. Ranger Kersteins is also the Tehama County Fire Warden and Chief of the Tehama Rural Fire Department.

EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE

July 1, 1982

Jim McFadden, Ranger-in-Charge
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Dear Jim:

As we go through the daily grind of business, now and then we are favored by exceptional service. This was the case with Battalion Chiefs Bill Murdock and John Brayton's presentation of the Firefighters Survival class. The positive and professional approach they took to turn such tragedy into a learning experience was rewarding to both the Orange County Fire Department and the many City Fire Departments in attendance on June 22nd and 23rd.

In Bill's summary on wildland fire deaths, his message of life safety reached beyond jurisdiction; it reached into the objectives of our profession. The instructor's preparation and skill has gained much respect and admiration for the Department of Forestry. Bill Murdock, John Brayton and the Department of Forestry are to be congratulated on the value of this honest and positive based program.

I again thank you for bringing this program to the Orange County Fire Department.

Respectfully,

James W. Radley
Assistant Chief Operations

Orange County Fire Dept.

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

NORTH COAST REGION

Appointments - John Bolander to HFEO, Lake-Napa; Pat W. Bailey to FCS, Black Mountain, CC.

Reinstatement - HFEO Michael J. Williams to Mendocino.

Leave of Absence - HFEO Jose Barrio, Lake-Napa.

Separation - FCS Richard R. Oliver, Parlin Fork CC.

25-Year Award - FC Eddie V. Whitten.

SACRAMENTO HEADQUARTERS

Separation - OA II(T) Karen Medich.

25-Year Award - Mat. and Stores Supv. I Homer L. Stevens.

SOUTH SIERRA REGION

Promotions - Robert F. Irby to SFR I, Amador-El Dorado; Kevin O'Meara to FC, Tuolumne-Calaveras; James Roller, Bryan Frerichs, and Peter Gonzales to FAE, Tulare; Keith

Jacobs and Michael Witherell to FAE, Fresno-Kings.

Appointments - Jeffrey Schimke and Donald Siemens to FCS, DeWitt Nelson YCC; Dan N. Slebiss to HEM, Miramonte; Patrick Colleary, Eric Fry, Barnard Franklin, Gary Kimura, Gary So, Jon Hedman, Patricia White, Dean Chambers, and Charles Stein, all to FAE, Fresno-Kings; Robert A. Lee to FAE, Tulare; Risha Martinez, Steve Hubbard, Kirk Van Patten, and Lewis Jackson, all to FF, CDF, Fresno-Kings.

Retirement - Steno. LaVera Berg and HEM Henry Ferch, Fresno-Kings; FC David Horton and FAE Deward Worrell, Madera-Mariposa.

25-Year Awards - FC Kermit C. Hobbs, Tulare; FC Donald A. Olday, Fresno-Kings; and For. II Robert J. Hubbell, Amador/El Dorado.

CENTRAL COAST REGION

Promotion - Nadine Goolsby to Acct. Clk. II, Hq.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

Transfer - HFEO Maurice Watkins to Riverside.

Promotion - Larry Kidd to SFR I, YTS CC; Thomas W. Stein to SFR II, Prado CC; William M. Bratton to FC, Riverside; Daniel L. Thomas to FAE, San Bernardino; Thomas G. Gardner to FC, San Diego.

Appointments - Julia Honer, Robert E. Loftis, Jr., Holly Mosz, and Isidore Bran all to LT FAE, San Diego; Rudy Yniguez and Edward McOrmond to FAE; James Gunderson to FC, San Bernardino; Janet Stern to LT FAE; and Marvin McMains to FAE, Riverside.

Reinstatements - FF, CDF Charles HS Lord to Riverside; LT FAE Sherrill Hess to San Diego.

Separation - Acct. Clk. II Wendell Jackson, Hq; OA II(T) Gail M. Ferguson, Riverside.

Retirement - SFR I Richard L. Miller, San Diego.

25-Year Awards - SFR II Richard H. Harris, FC Fred F. Acheson, and Assoc. Civ. Eng. Robert A. Drage.

EXAMINATION CALENDAR

UPCOMING EXAMINATIONS

Title	Exam Base	Final Filing Date
Warehouse Manager I & II	Dept/Prom.	August 12
Stenographer	Dept/Prom.	August 26
Senior Clericals	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Office Services Sup. (G)	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Office Services Sup. (T)	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Office Technician (G)	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Office Technician (T)	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Secretary	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Senior Account Clerk	Dept/Prom.	August 19
Senior Stenographer	Dept/Prom.	August 19

Examinations in Progress

Title	Status
Staff Services Manager I	Interviews anticipated in Sept.
Material and Stores	Interviews anticipated October Supervisor I & II.

Do **Not** submit applications for examinations until the Bulletin has been released.

METS is now CETS

Effective June 17, 1982, the title of the Manpower, Engineering and Technical Services (METS) was changed to Camps, Engineering and Technical Services (CETS).

Chief James E. Hixon said, "Several camp rangers and fire crew supervisors have expressed concern over not having an identifiable section in Sacramento that reflects conservation camp functions. This title change will give us an identity that links us with our camp responsibilities."

Domke marks 40 years with CDF

When Region II held its June Management Meeting, Regional Camp Program Manager Don Domke joined a very exclusive club. He has just completed forty years with CDF!

Region Chief Gary Todd congratulated Domke and presented him with the following letter from Director Pesonen:

You have now joined a select and noteworthy group in state service that may call itself the Forty Year Club. Few people become eligible for that honorable distinction, and now you have become one of extremely few in the entire history of the Department of Forestry to achieve that eligibility. I offer my sincere congratulations on your completing forty years of service with the Department of Forestry.

In your forty years, you have worked at both ends of the State. First, in the southland in San Bernardino County where you started as a firefighter in 1941. After a fifteen year hitch there where you promoted through the ranks (with time out for three years in the

Army) to the position of Forest Fire Dispatcher, you decided to try out the north by moving to Region II Headquarters in Redding. You obviously liked it better; you have been in Redding ever since.

You did not sit still while in Redding. You first worked as the regional Dispatcher and then as regional Business Manager. In 1973, you saw a chance to get out of the office routine and transferred to the Shasta-Trinity Ranger Unit. As the Administrative Officer you were behind a desk again, but with amenities. When the Ranger in Charge and the Operations Officer were gone, you were able to get out and work with the troops and fight a little fire. You later became the Operations Officer and were able to spend even more time with the troops, and fight a lot more fire.

I am told that you are excited and enthusiastic with your recent assignment as regional Camp Program Manager. You are making extra effort to learn the program and get to know the people in it; not only within the region, but in my office and in the cooperating agencies too. Don, please do not lose that excitement and enthusiasm. The Department needs it, and people like you, very much.

Again, congratulations on achieving forty years of service. My best wishes to you and your lovely wife Doreeta who has been with you for three-quarters of that time.

Sincerely,

DAVID E. PESONEN
Director

On the cover

This month's cover photo, taken by Chief Information Officer Bruce Turbeville, marks a first for the City of Sacramento.

On June 29, CDF hosted a multi-agency news conference to generate public awareness of the need for extreme caution with fireworks and fires during the July 4th holiday weekend. Participants sharing the podium with Director Pesonen were State Fire Marshall Phil Favro and CDFEA President Ray Snodgrass. Other participants included representatives from the California Highway Patrol, California Fire Chief's Association, Cal Rural, California Conservation Corps, Department of Fish and Game. Members of the Sacramento City Police and Fire Departments and the County Sheriff's Department were also present to demonstrate their support and involvement in fire safety.

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