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DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY • COMMUNIQUE

Director's Corner



The same good fortune which led me to become director of Forestry, gave me the support of a strong and professional organization. Together we have come a long distance in the past two years.

They were certainly not easy years. The department still reverberates with the echoes of the Orange County issue. We have entered into an affirmative action program with new resolve. Local government contracting has a new face on it. We are struggling to gain insights from our 8-80 roundup.

The long term results of 1978's Prop 13 are now with us and the times are getting tougher. Our historic allies in the local sector are literally reeling from budget reductions and we have not been immune from the effects of reduced circumstances for California.

We have grown stronger in some ways. We have found the essential resources both from the legislature and from within. We have successfully fought some significant fires and taken some terrible losses, both in lives and in property. But we are constantly learning and profiting even from adversity.

With passage of AB 320 in 1979, we launched the Forest Improvement Program and have now let contracts for enhancement of California's forests with long term benefits to the people of this state.

Now we are at the front end of a new effort to combine fire control and resource enhancement in one program of chaparral management utilizing the air force helicopters and our own expertise in range and brush control.

On balance, I think we have made some substantial progress. We are a stronger, perhaps more analytically inclined department. I have certainly grown in my own knowledge of operational problems of forestry. The future will clearly bring even greater trials of our collective strength. I am confident that the professionalism of the men and women of Forestry will prove more than enough to handle any problems we may face. I am pleased at our progress and look forward to working with this highly motivated, competent and enthusiastic organization.

Affirmative Action Officer's Message

by Manuel Román Jr.

CDF continues to show progress in the area of affirmative action especially in the recruitment of seasonal firefighters. Of the 12,147 applications received this year for these positions, 1,700 were from women and 3,164 were from minorities. A viable candidate pool now exists from which most departmental goals can be attained. The success of this year's campaign is due to the tireless efforts of departmental recruiters in all regions.

The Affirmative Action Monitoring System (AAMS) was operational effective April 1, 1981 and CDF should now have the capability to closely monitor affirmative action progress in all

areas of personnel transactions. The development of this system was a monumental task and all regional staff and data processing staff are to be commended.

State Personnel Board (SPB) staff, AAO Headquarters' staff, and regional representatives are providing regional AA training to employees who significantly impact hiring and recruitment. The course entitled "Working Effectively With Affirmative Action" is similar to training conducted at the Fire Academy for departmental management. We look forward to meeting field staff during the conduct of this course.

On the cover



This month's cover photo taken in July 1948 shows a five-year old very shy youngster who was on tour of the Nevada City Headquarters with his parents. The young lad must have been very impressed because he went back to Nevada City in 1961 as a firefighter. Today, Forester III Don Perkins is in Sacramento working in the Forest Resource Assessment Program.

If you have a photo depicting the people and mission of CDF that you would like to see on the cover of *Communique*, please send your black and white glossy print or negative with a description to *Communique*, California Department of Forestry, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1516, Sacramento 95814. All photographs will, of course, receive proper credit.

CDF engines cross the border

by Doug Allen

Tecate, Mexico - CDF and Mexican State Forestry Officials met recently in Tecate, Mexico to transfer two fire engines to the State of Baja, California, Mexico. CDF has loaned a surveyed #1 and #4 fire engine to the newly organized state forestry in Baja. The engines will be used for initial attack on wildland fires that start in Mexico adjacent to the United States border. The CDF expends approximately \$25,000 a year extinguishing fires that occur in Mexico and cross the border into the San Diego Ranger Unit. These engines will be able to provide initial attack capability to the newly organized Mexican state forestry.

Fernando Diego Diaz, Director of Agriculture and Livestock (Forestry), stated that two forest fire stations will be constructed along the international border next to San Diego County. They will be located east and west of Tecate, Mexico.

Region VI Chief, Rex Griggs and Jim Dykes, ranger-in-charge, San Diego Ranger Unit presented the keys to the fire trucks during a luncheon ceremony at the Tecate Municipal Fire Station.



CDF engines cross the International Border at the Port of Entry, Tecate, Mexico.



CDF firefighters and Mexican State Forestry firefighters display their uniforms to visiting Mexican and CDF Officials.



Left to right: Jim Dykes, Ranger-in-Charge, San Diego Ranger Unit; Fernando Diego Diaz, Director of Agriculture and Livestock, Baja, CA; Rex Griggs, Chief, Southern California Region; Jose Manuel Pena, Mayor, Tecate, Mexico; and Fito Sanchez, North Director of Forestry, State of Baja California, Mexico.

Did you know that until the advent of the typewriter and World War I, secretarial work was considered to be a man's job. It wasn't until thousands of men were called into the military that significant numbers of women became secretaries. By the 1930's, the word *secretary* had become almost synonymous with "woman's work." And although more men are entering the field once again, today 97 percent of America's secretaries are women.

Save these dates:

On Saturday, May 16, 1981, the Amador-El Dorado Ranger Unit invites everyone to what may be the biggest event of the year. A barbeque will be held at Cameron Park Lake to honor the retirement and dedicated years in service of SFR I Ed Berger (35 years); SFR I Al Puppo (34 years); Stenographer B Opal Shimke (14 years); SFR I Ches Waklee (31 years); and HFEO Jack West (25 years). That adds up to 139 years!

For further information contact Lisa Ingram at the Amador-El Dorado Ranger Unit, (916) 644-2345.

A retirement luncheon will be held Sunday, June 7, 1981 for Oscar Hazelrigg, camp program manager in Region I. Watch for further details.

In Region IV, the retirement luncheon for Rita Donabedian has been rescheduled for June 26, 1981. Details to follow.

Butte gets firm grip



Thanks to the efforts of FAE Don Costello and the Jaws of Life Committee, another Hurst rescue tool was placed in service at Butte County Fire Station #42 on February 25, 1981. This is the fifth tool donated to the County Fire Department by the committee which was formed in February 1980 and is headed by Costello. The tool raises the total "Jaws" in the county to eight.

Shown during presentation of the new "firm grip" are Tony Flores, chief of County Fire Station #42; Butte County Ranger-in-charge, Bill Teie; FAE Don Costello; Butte County Supervisor Hilda Wheeler and Fireman Al Salse, Station 42.

Santa Rosa named TREE CITY, U.S.A.

As one of his first official acts, Region I Chief Richard Ernest had the pleasure of presenting a Tree City USA Award to the City of Santa Rosa on Arbor Day. The award was particularly symbolic in that it was presented at a ceremony honoring the great horticulturist Luther Burbank at the site of his original laboratory and gardens in Santa Rosa. In California, Arbor Day is celebrated on Burbank's birthday.

The Tree City USA Award is given only to a very few cities which have the highest standards in Urban Forestry. This is the fourth consecutive

year that Santa Rosa has earned the award. California Department of Forestry Foresters have worked closely with the City Parks Department in Urban Forestry activities and were instrumental in getting the city of Santa Rosa to apply for the award.

Vice Mayor Bill Barrone received the plaque and flag on behalf of the city. Chief Ernest was able to discuss the importance and value of trees to the community with an audience of city officials and interested citizens.

Cal/Chiefs appoint Teie

Bill Teie, ranger-in-charge of the Butte Ranger Unit and Chief of the Butte County Fire Department, has been selected to fill a vacant position on the Board of Directors of the California Fire Chief's Association. He will represent the fire chiefs in the counties of Butte, Glenn, Plumas, Tehama, Lassen, Shasta, Siskiyou, Trinity, Modoc, Del Norte and Humboldt.

Teie is only the third member of CDF ever to hold a position as director on this prestigious board.

P.G. & E. termed Outstanding



The Butte Ranger Unit and United States Forest Service joined forces to give special recognition to the outstanding efforts by management and personnel of the De Sabla Division of Pacific Gas and Electric. The division has made an outstanding effort over the last two years to prevent fires along their transmission lines, and their fire record has changed from one of the worst to one of the best.

"It's not just that they complied with the law," said Ranger-in-Charge Bill Teie, Butte Ranger Unit, "It's the added effort and development of good working relationships that have brought about this special recognition."

The photo shows Teie (left) and Jim Boynton, deputy forest supervisor for the Plumas National Forest, presenting the joint agency certificate of appreciation to Manager Bob Mulliken, De Sabla Division.

Golden Anniversary

by Hamilton B. Mills



Two "Good Old Boys" were honored recently at a luncheon in Red Bluff. Ira Townsend, ECC Chief (left) and Bud Warren, Westside District Ranger (right) were each presented with 25-year service certificates by Ranger-In-Charge Bob Kerstens.

Townsend began his career in 1953 in Tuolumne County where he promoted through the ranks to fire captain. In 1969 he joined in an experimental fire prevention project in Butte County. In 1971 he became the first FPO for the Tehama-Glenn Ranger Unit at Red Bluff. In 1974 Townsend was moved to the rank of state

forest ranger I and became the Schedule A coordinator for the Tehama County Rural Fire Department until January of this year.

Warren started his career in Tehama County as a seasonal firefighter in 1952 and became a full-time CDF employee in 1956. Warren has held many different positions during his 25 years tenure including training assignments and special projects. Prior to his return to Tehama-Glenn in 1978, he worked in Shasta and Lassen Counties. Warren is currently head'em up the Baker District in Western Tehama County.

25-year club has annual meet

Redwood area weather and hospitality were at their finest in early April when the CDF golf tournament and Forestry's 25-Year Club held their combined annual fling at the El Rancho Tropicana in Santa Rosa. Secretary-Treasurer Orville Ingram said that 366 club members, spouses, and friends gathered for the traditional Saturday afternoon hospitality get-together and the evening dinner meeting.

"It was one of the best affairs we've had," he said. "I only hope those who are eligible to come and haven't been to one of these annual affairs won't put it off any longer. They're missing a great time with good friends."

Elected to lead the club for 1981 were President Bob Keepers, Vice President Ed Poe, and Secretary-Treasurer Orville Ingram. Elected as directors were Larry Young, Ted Dean, Jim Major and Junior Past President Bob Ford.

Keepers announced the 1982 fun-meeting will be held in West Sacramento at the Hotel El Rancho Racquet-Resort on Saturday, April 17th. He also asks all eligible CDF employees and retirees who haven't yet paid their 1981 dues to do so to insure they continue to receive notice of the annual meeting. Dues and change of address notices should be sent to Orville Ingram, Secty.-Treasurer, 714 E. 24th St., Marysville, CA 95901.

An article including pictures and award winners of the 6th annual CDF Statewide Golf Tournament will be included in a forthcoming *Communique*.

CDF welcomes Peggy Lucas



Peggy Lucas

by Joanne North

Peggy Lucas, formerly the assistant chief of Employee Relations at the California Youth Authority (CYA), has been selected to fill the employee relations and benefits advisor position previously held by

John Swanson. Lucas brings an extensive and varied background in labor relations to CDF.

Prior to assuming her responsibilities at CYA, she served as a consultant to the Governor's Office of Employee Relations during unit determinations. In addition, she spent four years as a negotiator for the city and county of Honolulu and worked in labor relations research.

Formal education in the labor relations area includes graduate level work in collective bargaining and industrial relations at the University of Hawaii and studies in labor law at the University of California at Davis.

At CDF, Lucas will oversee all aspects of employee relations activities and will have primary responsibility in contract negotiations. The department is fortunate to have so capable an individual heading up the employee relations office.

Irene T. Williams

Retiree Irene T. Williams passed away on March 23, 1981 in Santa Rosa. She was employed as a clerk typist II in the Region I headquarters office from January 2, 1947 to August 27, 1975. At her request, no funeral services were held.

Instant aid in Fresno



Chiefs Bud Armstrong and Leland Hill. Fresno Bee photo.

Mid Valley and Fig Garden Fire Protection Districts and the Fresno City Fire Department have signed an instant aid agreement aimed at maximizing the delivery of fire protection services while minimizing the cost. Patterned after the 1977 pact between Fresno City Fire Department and Mid Valley Fire Protection District which provides paramedic service, this is possibly the first agreement of this type and magnitude in the state.

The agreement requires Fresno City Fire Department to respond, on a reimbursement basis, to Mid Valley or Fig Garden fire protection areas. In turn, the fire districts provide the same service to the city if they have personnel and equipment closer to an incident. They are then reimbursed by the city. Fees will range from \$75 to \$150 depending on the number of personnel on the responding engine. The first unit to arrive at the scene will take appropriate action. The officer-in-charge of any such unit will be in charge of the incident until relieved by an officer of the requesting department.

The agreement was signed by Chief Bud Armstrong for Mid Valley and Fig Garden and by Fresno Fire Chief Leland Hill.

Fire preparedness training

Fire Preparedness Training Exercises cosponsored by the California Department of Forestry, the California Department of Corrections, the California Youth authority, and the California Conservation Corps will be held in May. The 17th Annual Bautista Exercise will take place in Region VI May 11 through 15, while the first Annual Jamestown Exercise will be held in Region IV May 18 through 22.

Hand crews representing the various departments and led by Department of Forestry personnel will participate in the exercises, along with fire engine companies and support teams from both regions.

The purpose of each exercise is to assess the readiness of the CDF

fire resources for the approaching 1981 fire season. The exercises also provide an opportunity to demonstrate the capability of our fire fighting forces to the public; an opportunity not readily available during an actual fire emergency. The crews and equipment will be tested and evaluated in several areas including physical fitness, safety, vehicle and fire equipment maintenance, hoselaying, and hand fireline construction abilities. A complete base camp will be set up each day and incident command teams and service crews will rotate daily to obtain comprehensive training.

Guests are welcome.

by Lou Gunter

Shar-20 gives the brush-off

An unusual-looking device gobbled up manzanita, shrubs, and other brush during a recent range-management demonstration sponsored by CDF near Redding.

The Shar-20 brush-clearing machine was presented to area timber and land management industry representatives in late January. Purpose of the demonstration was to publicize CDF's cost sharing programs in reforestation, thinning, erosion control and habitat enhancement which are available to small forest landowners through the California Forest Improvement Program and federally funded forestry incentives and agricultural conservation programs.

The demonstration was also the public debut for the machine which was invented by Redding resident Dick Schoonover, vice president of Shar Corporation. According to Schoonover, the device clears brush with a round cutting head attached to a boom that can swing up and down and laterally. The heads range in size from three to eight feet in diameter. Three machine sizes are available ranging in price from \$75,000 to \$175,000. The machine is also available on a lease basis.

"It's the best damn brush gobbler I've ever seen," said Shasta County Supervisor John Caton, who attended the demonstration.



Oak Glen station opens



Over 350 people were on hand February 14, 1981 for dedication of County Fire Station 39 in Oak Glen, San Bernardino County. They were there because, in essence, it was "their" station, constructed entirely by contributions and built on donated land.

Master of Ceremonies, Battalion Chief Larry Young, explained how local involvement in government by citizens can accomplish results like this new station. The fire station will be given to San Bernardino County to be added to CDF/County Fire Warden Operations.

According to Young, present plans call for a paid-call force of thirteen firefighters to respond to all types of emergencies. "These new personnel have been in training for almost a year and are now ready and eager for their new challenges," he said.

Guest speakers at the ceremony included 3rd District Supervisor David McKenna, Region VI Chief Rex Griggs, and County Fire Warden/Ranger-in-Charge Don C. Banghart. The Yucaipa High School Band provided musical entertainment.

25 years for Lou Brundidge

Captain Lou Brundidge (right) receives his certificate for 25 years of service to CDF from Southern California Region Chief Rex Griggs (left) at the dedication of the new Oak Glen Station (Station 39) on February 14, 1981.

Lou began his career with CDF as a forest fire truck driver (engineer) in 1955. Prior to that, he was with the U.S. Forest Service as a fire crew suppression foreman. In 1959, he promoted to fire captain at the Loma Linda CDF Station. He moved to the Yucaipa Station in 1965 and liked it so well, he is still there.

25 years has not slowed Lou down. Yucaipa, his current assignment, was the busiest station in San Bernardino County in 1980 answering 1,796 alarms.

The dedication was chosen to present the award as Captain Brundidge has been the training officer for the Oak Glen Department since it was formed.



Lake-Napa VIPs in full swing

Volunteers in Prevention (VIP) Coordinator Scott Drew, Lake-Napa Ranger Unit advises that the VIP program is in full swing in this unit. Drew and the unit's two fire prevention assistants, Darlene Marler and Brenda Munjar, have completed their heavy schedule of school Fire Prevention programs.

To date every elementary school in this unit's State Responsibility Area and several schools in Local Responsibility Area has received a program at the kindergarten through

3rd grade (K-3) levels. Each school was given a Smokey Bear program and introduced to the fire prevention poster contest.

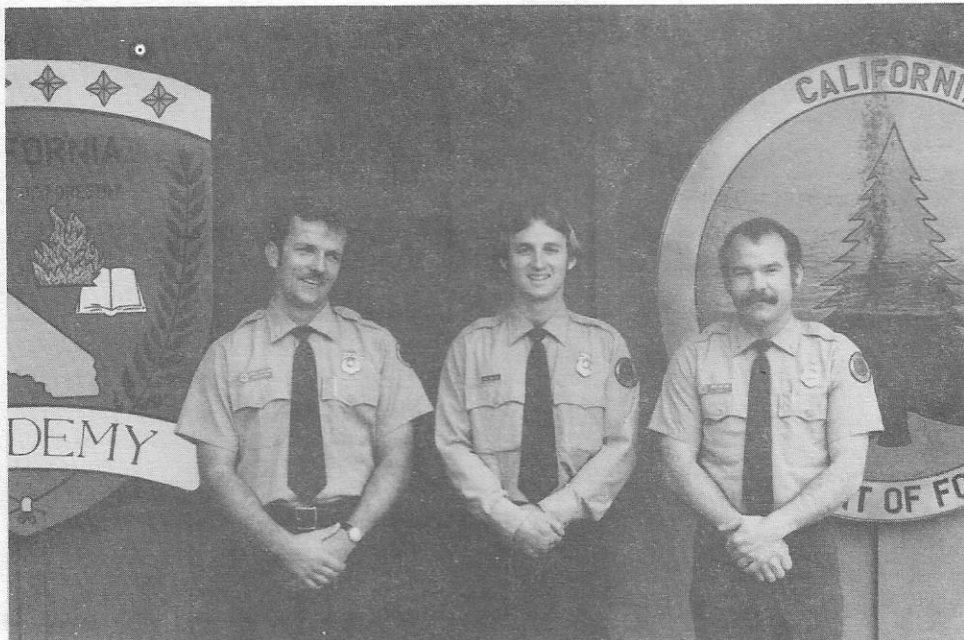
This contest consists of competition within each school's K-3 for each school district. The winners are chosen from each school and that poster will be reproduced on a 4x8 roadsign that is being placed in each school district's area.

Drew estimates that more than 5000 students have been contacted.

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Basic Fire Control Course graduates



Dennis Tremmeling, John Bryden, and Mike Walker

Top honor in the recent graduating Basic Fire Control Course at the Fire Academy #72 went to FAE Dennis Tremmeling from the Madera-Mariposa Ranger Unit with an overall score of 95.92% for the six week course. Placing second and third respectively were FAE John Bryden, Lake-Napa Ranger Unit, and FAE Mike Walker, Tulare Ranger Unit.

The only woman participant, Katherine Jacobson, San Benito/Monterey Ranger Unit scored in the upper half of the class.

Graduating on Friday the Thirteenth seemed to be no deterrent as the ceremony was witnessed by one of the largest groups of guests in recent memory. Friends and relatives were treated to the oratorical skills

of class speaker FAE Mike Rivas and guest speaker SFR III Art Ja-seau. "Special presentations" were also made to course coordinator SFR I C. W. "Bill" Murdock for consistently "Setting the example" for the students.

Basic Fire Control #72 also had the distinction of being the first to graduate under the auspices of the Academy's new student evaluation system. This system requires that the student pass 14 individual written and performance examinations (Category I) in critical areas of knowledge. An additional 14 written exams and 5 performance exams (Category II) must be passed with an aggregate 70% minimum score. Every graduate of Class #72 is to be congratulated for the degree of professionalism their success reflects.

Workshop planned

Lake-Napa Ranger Unit in cooperation with Napa College's Fire Science Program will be conducting an 18 hour workshop in wildland fire-fighting. The workshop will be held on May 9, 10, and 30th, and is devoted to an intensive overview of Fire Control Techniques and Methods.

Topics to be discussed include wildland fire control tactics, strategy, personal safety, use of hand tools, hose lays and coordination of two or three person teams. Students will also learn off road driving techniques, safe driving practices, roll over prevention and pump operations. On May 30, 1981, students will participate in a control burn to reinforce the instruction being given.

Instructors for the class will be Lee Mitchell, Bob Foley, Napa City Fire Dept. and Ranger I's Tim Shay, Norm Silver, CDF. The training will be conducted at the Napa State Hospital Fire Training grounds, and is open to all but is designed for employed reserve, Volunteer fire fighters, and fire science students.

Radio club joins VIP program



The Volunteers in Prevention Program (VIP) in Region VI sponsored a training session at the new Emergency Command Center (ECC) at Perris for members of the Amateur Radio Club.

ECC Chief Bob Martines and staff presented a tour and presentation of the technical aspects of CDF communications and explained to the VIP radio operators how they would be helping the overall communication network in time of disaster.

During a disaster, the Amateur Radio Club will act as supplemental communication. The use of the VIP radios will allow the emergency communication channels to remain clear for emergency radio transmission. During extreme fire weather, the VIP radio operators will be sent to pre-selected high-hazard areas in Riverside County to act as a communication link with the fire patrols.

Mini-Safety Bulletin..... by Cash Hooper

PCB-a firefighter hazard

PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls) have been found to be toxic chemicals that need to be recognized by everyone, but particularly by firefighters. While exposure to PCBs may not cause any immediate ill health effects, except possibly skin irritation or rash, it is the long range effects that are of concern. PCBs can remain in the body's fatty tissues almost indefinitely.

Research with animals shows that low levels of PCB cause liver damage, liver cancer, decreased fertility, and other reproductive problems. Research is currently being conducted to determine if PCBs cause human carcinogens. Because these same problems could possibly occur in humans, persons working around PCBs should know how to protect themselves from direct contact with these chemicals.

PCB can gain entry into the body through the skin or from inhaling fumes or contaminated dusts. Contamination occurs most frequently when PCB-filled capacitors explode or rupture. When this happens the oily substance contaminates everything it splatters, whether it be people, yards, vehicles, houses, or streams. The "clean-up" should be left to utility company experts.

Exposure can occur from a leaking transformer such as those found while fighting an electric company substation fire. In fighting fires involving transformers and capacitors, take extra precautions to avoid breathing the smoke and protect personnel and equipment from contamination.

Some household appliances, such as color television and microwave ovens contain small amounts of PCB in the electrical systems. This is another good reason for firefighters to always wear self-contained breathing apparatus during interior structural fire fighting.

If you get PCB on your clothing or yourself, use the proper corrective action. For eye contamination, immediately flush the eyes with water for 15 minutes. Remove all contaminated clothing and wash contaminated skin areas with soap and water. If there has been eye contamination or drenching of skin areas, see a doctor.

All slightly contaminated clothing should be cleansed with soap and water, but all highly contaminated clothing must be discarded.

Farm Outbuildings - potential danger

The Tulare Ranger Unit recently reported an employee injury caused by inhaling toxic chemical fumes while fighting a fire on a farm shed used to store insecticides. In another region a fire involving a shed resulted in a tremendous explosion that damaged a CDF engine. Fortunately, there were no employee injuries. In this case, the farmer was hoarding gasoline in 55 gallon drums.

Firefighters are cautioned to be alert and treat every shed, barn, or other farm out-building fire as potentially hazardous. This has been made vividly clear from past accident-injury reports. These types of buildings often contain hazardous herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides, and extremely flammable and explosive fertilizers, solvents, and fuels.

If possible, when responding to these type fires, question the farmer or the farmer's employees on the type of materials being stored. This will permit you to take the proper precautions.

If you cannot determine if a building contains toxic or explosive materials, treat it as though it does!

Accident Prevention winners-1980

The stats are in and it is time to pass out the bouquets for those people responsible for making life safer for CDF employees.

Region II has set the lowest injury rate record for 1980 - 4.74 lost-time injuries per 200,000 exposure hours (L-T 1/200,000). They were closely followed by Region IV with a rate of 4.78. To give you an idea how good this is, they both more than met the department's goal of 5.08 L-T 1/200,000.

Do you know that Region II has had at least two ranger units receive outstanding safety achievement awards for three consecutive years? This year Shasta-Trinity and Tehama-Glenn did it. This award requires having less than 2.0 L-T 1/200,000.

Now if you think that is something,

consider this. Tehama-Glenn has received the outstanding safety achievement award for the last five years. This goes to prove that such a goal is not impossible to attain. Of course, as Ranger Bob Kerstiens points out, it takes management commitment and employee involvement to pull it off year after year. Units having fewer employees, such as camps and state forests, making a significant impact in preventing injuries by going six years without a lost time injury were: Boggs Mountain State Forest, Latour State Forest, DeWitt Nelson Y.C.C., Mountain Home State Forest, and Ben Lomond Nursery.



**How did you
get to work today?**

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

This listing of legislation affecting CDF is compiled monthly by Legislative Secretary Carol Silva. For further information, contact her at (916) 445-6441, (ATSS) 485-6441, or Green Phone 62.

UPDATE ON PREVIOUSLY LISTED BILLS:

SB 65 (Boatwright) Emergency vehicles: exemption from pollution control devices.—In Assembly Comm. on trans.

SB 78 (Ayala) Roof coverings: fire zones.—In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife. Hearing April 28.

SB 98 (Keene, et al) State forest timber sales: increase upper value limit.—In Assembly Comm. on Ways & Means.

SB 216 (Boatwright) State administrative regulations: changes: availability of full text.—On Senate 2nd Rdg. File.

SB 257 (Rains) Permit Reform Act of 1981.—In Senate Finance Comm.

SB 329 (Keene) Professional foresters: licensure.—In Senate Finance Comm.

SCR 15 (Campbell, et al) Creates Joint Committee on Fire, Police, Emergency and Disaster Services.—In Assembly Rules Comm.

AB 41 (Young) State administrative regulations: economic impact reports.—In Assembly Comm. on Economic Development & Planning.

AB 124 (Nolan) Authorized emergency vehicles operated by peace officers: exemption from pollution control devices.—In Assembly Comm. on Trans.

AB 275 (Kapiloff) Annual reports on hotels & motels which do not meet fire safety standards.—In Assembly Comm. on Gov. Org.

AB 288 (Deddeh) Revised method of calculating Timber Reserve Fund rate.—Signed by Governor on March 31. Takes effect immediately.

AB 476 (Bosco) Sale of 10 acres of Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest to Midletown School District.—In Assembly Ways & Means Comm.

AB 666 (Rosenthal) CDF purchase of 4 airplanes designed for firefighting.—In Assembly Comm. on Energy & Nat. Res.

AJR 23 (Rosenthal) Aerial firefighting equipment: federal funding.—In Assembly Comm. on Energy & Nat. Res.

BILLS NOT PREVIOUSLY LISTED OR NEWLY INTRODUCED:

SR 307 (Dills) PERS: two years service credit.—In Senate Comm. on Pub. Emp. & Ret.

SB 462 (Johnson) Timber yield taxes. (Back-up bill to AB 288)—In Senate Comm. on Rev. & Tax. Hearing April 22.

SB 479 (Nielsen, et al) State administrative regulations: economic impact considerations.—In Senate Comm. on Gov. Org.

SB 481 (Mello) Taxation: timberland.—In Senate Comm. on Tev. & Tax. Hearing April 22.

SB 702 (Dills) Requires State Fire Marshal to establish training for fire prevention inspectors employed by, or contracting with, local fire protection agencies.—In Senate Comm. on Gov. Org. Hearing April 21.

SB 720 (Greene) Forest Practice Act: exemption from CEQA.—In Senate Comm. on Ind. Rel. Hearing April 22.

SB 799 (Mello) Hazardous fire areas: ban on possession & use of fireworks.—CDF proposal. In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife. Hearing May 12.

SB 812 (Vuich) Fire prevention & suppression: county cooperative agreements. (Amador Plan).—In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife. Hearing April 28.

SB 848 (Campbell) CDF purchase of 4 airplanes designed for firefighting. (Same as AB 666.)—In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife.

SB 857 (Keene) Prescribed burning. (Clean-up language for SB 1704 of last year.)—In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife.

SB 899 (O'Keefe) Forest Practices: Board of Forestry review of county & regional regulations.—In Senate Comm. on Nat. Res. & Wildlife.

SB 1132 (O'Keefe) Would authorize local governments to regulate or prohibit sale of fireworks. Introduced April 2.

SB 1135 (O'Keefe) Would change name of Department of Forestry to Department of Forestry and Fire Control effective January 1, 1987.—Introduced April 2.

SJR 12 (Campbell) Aerial firefighting equipment: federal funding. (Same as AJR 23.)—Introduced March 23.

AB 630 (Frazee) Benefit assessments: drainage, fire suppression, police protection, flood control & street lighting services.—In Assembly Comm. on Local Gov.

AB 674 (Katz) Peace Officers: arson investigators.—In Assembly Comm. on Crim. Just.

AB 1019 (Kapiloff) Would provide for time-and-a-half cash compensation for overtime for classes included in Firefighter Unit No. 8 as determined by Public Employment Relations Board.—In Assembly Comm. on Pub. Emp. & Ret.

AB 1600 (Sher & Kapiloff) Forest practices: timber operations & penalties.—CDF proposal. In Assembly Comm. on Energy & Nat. Res.

AB 1922 (Floyd) Fire prevention & suppression: county cooperative agreements (Amador Plan).—Introduced March 30.

ACA 29 (Herger) Use & management of public lands granted to the State by Congress.—In Assembly Comm. on Energy & Nat. Res.

SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATIVE HAPPENINGS:

SB 720 introduced by Senators Bill Greene (D-Los Angeles) and Ray Johnson (R-Chico) would exempt the Z'Berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA generally requires the preparation of an environmental impact report for projects having a significant effect on the environment. This bill is of major concern to the department, although there is no official position at this time.

AB 1600 introduced by Assemblyman Byron Sher (D-Santa Clara) was developed jointly by CDF and the Board of Forestry to provide major amendments to the Forest Practice Act. It would create a long-range Timber Management Plan, provide for agency appeal of approved timber harvesting plans, provide flexible and realistic enforcement and penalty provisions, provide a stopwork order, and make several other changes. It would also provide a Forestland Rehabilitation Account to facilitate funding for correction of environmental damage. This is an important bill to the department and needs strong regional support.

PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

Southern California Region

Transfer – FCS James E. Fogle to Prado CC.

Promotions – Harold D. Campbell to SFR I, San Diego; and Morris E. Engel to SFR II, Riverside; Steve Hubbard to FSC, Puerta La Cruz CC; Courtney Haddox to FCS, Fenner CC; William Mason to FCS, Prado CC; Thomas Adair to FCS, La Cima CC; Tommy Tisdale and Raoul Ortega to FCS, Rainbow CC; Mark Tyo to FCS, Pilot Rock CC.

Appointments – William A. Hodson to FCS, Rainbow CC; Anthony D. Borbon to FCS, Fenner CC; Ernest Ceja to FSC, Puerta La Cruz CC; Conwell Sheppard to FCS, Pilot Creek CC; and James W. Wright to FCS, La Cima CC.

Reinstatement – HFEO Clark Somers, Fenner CC.

Separation – FCS Wayne Cantell, Rainbow CC.

Retirement – FCS Bradley Romaine, Puerta La Cruz CC.

North Coast Region

Transfers – SFR II's Walter A. Duckworth to Sonoma, and Conie R. Robertson to Chamberlain Creek CC; Carp. I Walter R. Aldridge to Hqs.

Promotions – Michael E. Minton to Warehse. Mgr. I, Hqs.

Separation – OA II (T) Sharon E. Brooks, Lake-Napa.

Retirement – FCS A. Forest Harter, Eel River CC.

25-Year Award – FAE Bobby J. Whitten.

Sacramento Headquarters

Appointments – Peggy Lucas to Labor Relations Spec. II; Claudia Jensen and Sherry Pierce to Ofc. Tech. (T); Anna Barajas to Sec.; AA Ofc.; Larry Streit to Assoc. Anal.

Promotion – Duane Fry to SFR II.

Separation – Assoc. Pers. Anal. Laura Montgomery.

25-Year Award – Asst. Civ. Eng. Raymond A. Tatian.

Sierra Cascade Region

Transfers – Mat. and Stores Supv. Jack Weddle to Nevada-Yuba-Placer.

Appointment – Glen J. Peterson to HEM, Butte.

Separations – Disp. Clk. Mary M. Patchen, Butte; and FCS Ronald P. Stephens, Antelope CC.

Retirement – FCS William J. Reiley, Deadwood CC.

South Sierra Region

Appointments – David Ordanez and James Vineyard, to LT FAE, Tulare.

Separations – FAE James Crain and FF CDF Terry Lewis, Fresno-Kings.

Retirements – SFR I Al Puppo and SFR I Edwin Berger, Amador-El Dorado.

Central Coast Region

Appointments – Harkirin Kaur to Resource Mgt. Tech., FIP, Belmont; Larry Flagg to FCS, Cuesta CC; and Geoffrey Holmes to FCS, Ben Lomond YCC.

25-Year Awards – FCS Robert A. Wood and SFR II J. R. Taylor.

EXAMINATION CALENDAR

Upcoming Examinations

Title	Exam Date
Associate Government & Personnel Analyst	May 7
Senior Clericals	Anticipated in July
State Forest Ranger I (Prom.)	Anticipated in October

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Mr. Budgets makes it official

by Rose Gong



George and Lois Hacker

A retirement party was held in Sacramento on March 11, 1981, to honor George Hacker and his wife Lois. "Mr. Budgets" finally made his retirement official on December 30, 1980, after changing his original plans to retire in June 1980.

Hacker spent 32 years with CDF and rightfully earned the title of "Mr. Budgets". He began his career January 20, 1949, as a senior account clerk and served in various fiscal-related capacities before his appointment as Associate Budget

Analyst in September 1974.

The Board of Forestry presented Hacker with a Special Resolution for "Substantial contributions to budget functions in the Department of Forestry through the development of 32 annual budgets, and creation of a comprehensive package of recommendations of the allocations of operating budgets to field units and most recently, providing key work in destiny budget change proposals."

At last report, George was thoroughly enjoying retirement, "doing nothing."

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