

EFFECTIVENESS MONITORING COMMITTEE

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Request for Applicants **Open Until Filled**

The Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) seeks to fill up to six (6) vacancies on the [Effectiveness Monitoring Committee](#) (EMC).¹ The following roles are available for professionals focused on monitoring in forested ecosystems:

1. One (1) member broadly representing the effectiveness **Monitoring and Research Community** with a background in forest and/or plant ecology, silviculture, environmental policy and/or a related field;
2. One (1) agency representative from the **California Natural Resources Agency** (CNRA);
3. One (1) agency representative from the **National Marine Fisheries Service** (NMFS);
4. One (1) agency representative from the **Department of Forestry & Fire Protection** (CAL FIRE);
5. One (1) agency representative from the **U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service** (USFWS); and,
6. One (1) agency representative from the **U.S. Forest Service** (USFS), preferably with a research background in fire ecology or a related field.

ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS MONITORING COMMITTEE

The EMC was formed in 2014 by the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) to create an independent committee to assess the efficacy of the California Forest Practice Rules (CA FPRs) and other related laws and regulations. As a permanent advisory body to the Board, the EMC implements an effectiveness monitoring program providing an active feedback loop to policymakers, managers, agencies, and the public by soliciting robust scientific research that addresses the effectiveness of applicable laws and regulations at meeting resource objectives and ecological performance measures related to [AB 1492](#).² The EMC is comprised of agency representatives³ and members of the research community, both public and private sector, with expertise in forest ecology, silviculture, and related fields.

EMC meetings occur quarterly, typically last 6 hours including breaks, and are open to the public. Meetings are held in Redding, Ukiah, Sacramento, or elsewhere in California, and may also be observed via live webinar; members may attend virtually via a publicly-accessible location noticed at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting. The Board supports the EMC with staff and annual funding for research projects derived from Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Program funds.

Please visit the [EMC's webpage](#)¹ for additional information and to view the EMC [Charter](#),⁴ [Strategic Plan](#),⁵ Meeting Materials, and [Annual Report and Work Plan](#),⁶ and [archived documents and materials](#).⁷

¹ <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/board-committees/effectiveness-monitoring-committee/>

² https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201120120AB1492

³ Agency representatives may include the CA Natural Resources Agency (CNRA), CA Department of Fish and Wildlife, CA Geological Survey, CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, State and Regional Water Quality Control Boards, National Marine Fisheries Service, and US Fish and Wildlife Service.

⁴ <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/media/avqci4do/2024-emc-charter-final.pdf>

⁵ <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/media/riqaksxy/2025-emc-strategic-plan-update-final.pdf>

⁶ <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/media/tqhb0a4/emc-2023-annual-report-and-workplan-final.pdf>

⁷ <https://bof.fire.ca.gov/board-committees/effectiveness-monitoring-committee/effectiveness-monitoring-committee-archives/>

MEMBERSHIP

The Board shall appoint EMC members that: (1) have scientific and natural resource professional backgrounds, (2) have demonstrated previous collaboration in resource monitoring or scientific studies, and (3) are willing to serve on the EMC.

Members of the EMC function as technical consultants for EMC staff and participate in formal votes to determine funding allocation for proposals and other EMC related business. Appointees must have expertise in hydrology, geology, fluvial geomorphology, aquatic ecology, fisheries, forestry, fire ecology, wildlife management, and/or resource monitoring and sampling. In addition, members shall have familiarity with the CA FPRs and forest management operations on private and state forestlands.

The duration for appointment to this committee is either two, three, or four years (i.e., mixed appointments). After the original term, all appointments convert to four-year terms. The Board shall appoint two Co-Chairs for four-year terms. The role of the Co-Chairs is to provide leadership and coordination for the EMC. One Co-Chair shall be a representative of either CNRA (Executive or the Departments housed under CNRA) or the Departments under the California Environmental Protection Agency. One Co-Chair shall be a member of the Board.

There is no compensation for service on this advisory committee, but members shall be reimbursed for their expenses in attending meetings to the extent that the law allows.

BACKGROUND

Interested applicants should meet the following requirements:

- Have expertise in hydrology, geology, fluvial geomorphology, aquatic ecology, fisheries, forestry, fire ecology, wildlife management, and/or resource monitoring and sampling, or a related field(s).
- Be familiar with the CA FPRs and forest management operations on private and state forestlands, although this knowledge may be gained after appointment to the EMC.
- Should be applied scientists or natural resource professionals with demonstrated collaboration in resource monitoring that can also represent a stakeholder group.
- Be able to attend at least four (quarterly) meetings a year at a public location.
- Work well in a collaborative group environment.
- Develop work products in a timely manner, be responsive to communications, and meet deadlines as developed in collaboration with other members and support staff.

HOW TO APPLY

Please contact Dr. Kristina Wolf with inquiries. Interested individuals may apply by submitting a brief letter of interest, including statement of qualifications, and resume/CV by email to:

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