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**Summary of Board Assignments and Associated Timelines from California’s Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan**

**1.16 Expand Lumber Certifiers: Expand Lumber Certifiers:**

BOF will assist in establishing additional small-scale forest product infrastructure, such as portable sawmills, and will explore the potential for Registered Professional Foresters to become third-party certified as Lumber Graders.

**1.35 Complete Permit Synchronization Workplan:**

By December 2021, BOF, working with the AB 1492 Leadership Team, will complete its permit synchronization work plan. Permit synchronization intends to align permitting under the Forest Practice Act and Forest Practice Rules with the Water Board and CDFW permitting and regulatory requirements, including waste discharge requirements and lake and streambed alteration permit issuance timelines.

**1.38 Enhance CalVTP Implementation:**

BOF will provide statewide web-based training on utilizing the CalVTP and other permitting processes. Working collaboratively with the California Coastal Commission and the Water Board, the BOF will also identify additional permitting processes that may need to be incorporated into the CalVTP process. To ensure consistent execution of CalVTP, BOF will oversee the first round of Project Specific Analysis in various landscapes and geographies to ensure future projects have a consistent and high-quality template to follow.

**1.40 Help Landowners Conserve Northern Spotted Owls:**

CAL FIRE and CDFW, in collaboration with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), will develop tools to assist timber landowners with conserving northern spotted owls and their habitat.

» CAL FIRE and CDFW will enroll eligible timberland owners in the Eastside Spotted Owl Resource Plan (ESORP). The ESORP is a regional and programmatic agreement between CAL FIRE and landowners that avoids taking of the northern spotted owl while conducting timber harvest operations.

» CAL FIRE will work with the USFWS and CDFW to develop a northern spotted owl federal Safe Harbor Agreement (SHA) to facilitate land management and fuel reduction activities for nonindustrial landowners. CDFW has the authority to issue a consistency determination based on a federal SHA.

» CDFW, BOF, and CAL FIRE shall develop a strategy to incorporate the management of barred owl intrusion into spotted owl habitat.

**2.12 Extend Defensible Space Programs:**

In 2021, CAL FIRE, through a public process, will assist BOF in updating defensible space regulations to meet AB 3074 (2020), which requires a five-foot ember-resistant zone around homes. CAL FIRE and BOF will also develop and implement a widespread public information campaign and update the Ready for Wildfire program to explain the updated requirements.

**2.24 Identify Subdivision Secondary Emergency Access:**

BOF, in consultation with CAL FIRE shall survey subdivisions in the SRA and very high fire hazard severity zones without a secondary egress route that are at significant fire risk, consistent with the requirements of AB 2911 (2018). In consultation with CAL FIRE and the impacted local government, BOF shall develop recommendations to improve the subdivision’s fire safety.

**3.6 Develop Market Roadmap:**

Building upon OPR’s framework and Joint Institute recommendations, GoBiz will partner with OPR, CAL FIRE, BOF, and other key agencies and stakeholders in developing a focused market strategy by December 2021.

**4.1 Complete Applied Research Plans:**

In coordination with the Science Advisory Panel of the Task Force and other leading scientists, BOF and CAL FIRE’s Forest and Resource Assessment Program (FRAP) will develop and issue an applied research plan by June 2021.