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**MEMO:**

Date: January 20, 2021
From: Dan Stapleton, Foresters Licensing
To: Chair Gilless and Members of the Board
Subject: PFEC Nominations

Chair Gilless and members of the Board:

As of the January 2021 Board of Forestry meeting, there are four vacancies on the Professional Foresters Examining Committee (PFEC). One is a Public member position to be filled by a Board member. Two are industry and government RPF positions replacing Gerald Jensen and Otto van Emmerik. The fourth is an RPF position where the incumbent member has expressed their desire for re-appointment.

Mr. William Snyder, RPF 1760, would like to continue in his role on the committee for which he has served since 2017. Mr. Snyder was awarded a Bachelors degree in Forest Management from Humboldt State University in 1973. Mr. Snyder began his career with Fiberboard Corporation where he eventually became Chief Forester, serving in this position until 1995. He then worked for Georgia-Pacific as a Chief Forester until 1998. He then left industry to work for Cal Fire as a Forester I in Amador County. He promoted through the ranks of Cal Fire until 2003 when he became Deputy Director of Resource Management, a position he remained in until his retirement in 2013. Additionally, he has served on the Board of Forestry from 1995 to 1998. He was the past President and Board member of the California Licensed Forester Association. He was the Past Chair of the Northern California Society of American Foresters and Current Chair for the California Tree Farm Committee. He is also a Member of the Redwood Forest Foundation Board of Directors.

If the Board feels that Mr. Snyder's service to the PFEC is no longer needed, then another individual that fits the criteria as an RPF member must fill this position.

The Board's mission is to lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands, and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

Recommendations:

At this time, as the Assitant Executive Officer for Foresters Licensing, I highly recommend the re-appointment of Mr. William Snyder to his RPF member position on the PFEC for another four year term.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience should you have any questions in regards to the above matters.

Best and Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dan Stapleton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

Dan Stapleton
Assistant Executive Officer, Foresters Licensing