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TO COUNTY ASSESSORS, TIMBER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

# PROPERTY TAX RULES 1020 AND 471

As announced in Letter To Assessors 2009/031, Board staff initiated a project to revise Property Tax Rule 1020, *Timber Value Areas*, and to repeal Property Tax Rule 471, *Timberland*. Enclosed are copies of the proposed drafts.

As a result of discussion by the Timber Advisory Committee, it was decided that the rules should be reopened for comments/suggestions. Interested parties are encouraged to participate in this rulemaking project. Comments or suggested changes to the draft rules should be provided by March 12, 2010 to Ms. Sherrie Kinkle at sherrie.kinkle@boe.ca.gov or sent to the above address. Upon reviewing the submitted suggestions, it is anticipated that the project will proceed as follows:

- Staff will meet with the Timber Advisory Committee to discuss outstanding issues.
- The Board will hear presentations on issues regarding the language for the rules and vote to place the rules into the formal rulemaking process.

All documents regarding this project will be posted on the Board's website at www.boe.ca.gov/proptaxes/p&trules.htm. Questions regarding this project should be directed to Mr. George Felix at 916-322-2151 or Ms. Kinkle at 916-322-2921

Sincerely,

/s/ David J. Gau

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#### State of California

## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

## PROPERTY TAX RULES

Chapter 1. State Board of Equalization – Property Tax Subchapter 11. Timber Yield Tax Article 1. Valuation of Timberland and Timber

## Rule 1020. TIMBER VALUE AREAS.

Authority: Section 15606, Government Code.

Reference: Chapters 1 and 3, Part 18.5, Division 2 Sections 38109 and 38204, Revenue and Taxation Code.

(a) The following nine designated areas contain timber having similar growing, harvesting, and marketing conditions and shall be used as timber value areas in the preparation and application of immediate harvest values:

#### Area 1

Del Norte County Humboldt County

Trinity County south and west of that part of the exterior boundary of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest between Humboldt and Tehama Counties.

#### Area 2

Alameda County
Contra Costa County
Marin County
Mendocino County
Napa County
Monterey County
San Francisco County
San Mateo County
Santa Clara County

Santa Cruz County

Sonoma County

#### Area 3

Alameda County
Contra Costa County

Monterey County

San Francisco City and County

San Mateo County

Santa Clara County

Santa Cruz County

Siskiyou County west of Interstate Highway No. 5

#### ∆rea 4

Colusa County

Glenn County

Lake County

Solano County

Shasta County west of Interstate Highway No. 5

Siskiyou County west of Interstate Highway No. 5

Tehama County west of Interstate Highway No. 5

Trinity County except that portion which is south and west of that part of the exterior boundary of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest between Humboldt and Tehama Counties

Yolo County

## Area 5

Colusa County Glenn County

## Rule 1020. (Continued)

**Lake County** 

Napa County

Sacramento County

Shasta County east of Interstate Highway No. 5

Siskiyou County east of Interstate Highway No. 5

Solano County

Tehama County west of Interstate Highway No. 5

**Yolo County** 

#### Area 6

Lassen County

Modoc County

Shasta County east of State Highway No. 89

Siskiyou County east of Interstate Highway No. 5

## Area 7

**Butte County** 

Nevada County

**Placer County** 

Plumas County

Shasta County between Interstate Highway No. 5 and State Highway No. 89

Sierra County

Sutter County

Tehama County east of Interstate Highway No. 5

Yuba County

#### Area 8

**Alpine County** 

**Amador County** 

Calaveras County

El Dorado County

Sacramento County

San Joaquin County

Stanislaus County

**Tuolumne County** 

## Area 9

## **Alpine County**

Fresno County

Imperial County

Inyo County

Kern County

Kings County

Los Angeles County

Madera County

Mariposa County

Merced County

Mono County

Orange County

Riverside County

San Benito County

San Bernardino County

San Diego County

San Joaquin County

San Luis Obispo County

Santa Barbara County

Stanislaus County

**Tulare County** 

Ventura County

History: Adopted November 4, 1976, effective January 1, 1977.

Amended January 31, 1977, effective February 1, 1977.

## State of California

## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

## **PROPERTY TAX RULES**

Chapter 1. State Board of Equalization—Property Tax
Subchapter 4. Equalization by State Board
Article 3. Taxable Property of a County, City or Municipal Corporation

## Rule 471. TIMBERLAND.

Authority: Section 15606(c), Government Code.

Reference: Article XIII A, Sections 1 and 2, California Constitution

Consistent with the intent of the provisions of Section 3 (j) of Article XIII of the California Constitution and the legislative interpretation thereof, the value for land which has been zoned as timberland pursuant to Section 51110 or 51113 of the Government Code shall be ascertained for the 1979 lien date from the schedule contained in Section 434.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and thereafter from the most recent board-adopted timberland site class value schedule.

History: Adopted June 29, 1978, effective July 3, 1978.

Amended September 26, 1978, effective October 2, 1978.

Repealed Old Rule and Adopted New Rule August 16, 1979, effective August 22, 1979.