

**APPROVED MINUTES
TIMBER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 10, 2009 MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by David J. Gau, Chairman , at 9:40 a.m., Room 122, State Board of Equalization (BOE), 450 N Street, Sacramento, California, with the following in attendance. A quorum was present.

TIMBER ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (TAC) MEMBER

David J. Gau, Chair
Linda Hill
Charles Leonhardt
Leslie Morgan
Mike Mallory
George Belden

REPRESENTING

BOE
Assessor, Humboldt County
Assessor, Plumas County
Assessor, Shasta County
Assessor, Siskiyou County
Small-Scale Timber Owners

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Dean Kinnee

Mitchell Cari
Peter Murphy
Mike Doyich
George Felix
Art Tenneson
Angela Wong
Sherrie Kinkle
Len Lindstrand
Sue Blake
Carole Ruwart

REPRESENTING

BOE, County-Assessed Properties Division
(CAPD)
BOE, CAPD, Timber Tax Section
BOE, CAPD, Assessment Services Unit
W. M. BEATY & ASSOC.
Board Member Leonard's Office
BOE, Legal Department

1. Approval of the May 6, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Charles Leonhardt moved to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2009 meeting.
Mike Mallory seconded the motion, which then passed without objection.

2. Harvest Value Discussion for Period of January 1, 2010 – June 30, 2010

Mitchell Cari presented opening comments about the current market and that the number of CDF plans are down for the year. Mitch stated that values as a whole were down across the board.

a. Tables G & S, Green and Salvage Values Schedules

Mitchell Cari presented a range of values for TVA 1, TVA 2, TVA 6, TVA 7, and TVA 8. George Belden, commented that TVA 6 has the highest value for Douglas-fir and pine and hoped that the TVA realignment will correct this.

Mitchell Cari discussed Table S suggested values and stated that salvage values were based mostly on a formula for salvage.

Linda Hill moved to approve the suggested values for Tables G & S. Charles Leonhardt seconded the motion, which then passed without objection.

b. Table 1, Miscellaneous Forest Products Harvest Values

Mitchell Cari discussed suggested values for Table 1.

Mike Mallory moved to approve the suggested values for Table 1. George Belden seconded the motion, which then passed without objection.

3. Other Business

a. Assembly Bill 1504, Skinner

Mitchell Cari gave a summary of the bill and where it was legislatively. There was discussion about Timber Yield fee being proposed. Len Lindstrand commented on people outside the CDF trying to get a timber harvest fee for a while.

b. Status of Timber Value Area boundary study

Mitchell Cari gave a summary of presentation from last meeting. Staff reviewed splitting the proposed TVA 5 and analysis indicates not splitting. Len Lindstrand commented that realignment is a positive step, but indicates a difference in Shasta County. Sherrie Kinkle gave a summary of public comments and where the proposal was in the process. There was a discussion on public comments and staffs analysis on comments. Len Lindstrand made a comment about not being aware of the public comment period and asked if period could be extended to review the material on TVA proposal. Mitch Cari and Sherrie talked about the mailing lists that were used and the availability of the information on the board Web site. Committee agreed to postpone acting on proposal until next meeting.

4. New Business

a. CalFire Budget Change Proposal

Mitchell Cari discussed the CDF proposal to add a fee at the retail level. Mitchell Cari is working with CDF on language in the proposal. There was discussion on the legislative process and staff is to continue to monitor proposal.

b. Date for Next Meeting

The date for the next TAC meeting was tentatively set for April 27, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

There was discussion on review period to TAC. Members present agreed to a two week review period, but asked staff to consult with committee members who are absent.

Dean Kinnee asked whether the term for TAC members could be longer than one year. Currently members must take an oath each year and paper work must be filed with the Secretary of State, which is a lot of paper work for a one-year term and two meetings. Mitchell Cari will review the law on this issue.

5. Adjournment

David J. Gau adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.