

COOPERATION IN FOREST PEST MATTERS **5087**
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U.S. FOREST SERVICE **5087.1**
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National forests encompass approximately 50 percent of the commercial timberland in California. CDF personnel work closely with USFS personnel to coordinate work on pest problems where private and national forest lands are intermingled.

The USFS compiles the annual pest conditions report for submission to the California Forest Pest Council. To assist in compiling this report, all detection reports and surveys are sent through channels by all cooperating agencies.

**PACIFIC SOUTHWEST FOREST AND RANGE EXPERIMENT
STATION** **5087.2**
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Station specialists conduct research on forest pests and provide technical information pertaining to control of forest insects and diseases. As new information becomes available, the Director's office will provide adequate distribution for field and public use. The station's technical personnel may be available for advice on a particular pest. All requests will be forwarded through channels. From time to time, requests are made to the department for cooperation on particular research projects. Each request will be considered separately by the Director on its own merits.

U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE **5087.3**
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This agency is concerned with the control of forest animal pests. All detection reports involving damage by animals are forwarded to this agency for evaluation. The agency provides personnel to advise forest owners on animal control including the use of repellents and poisons. Forest animal control projects involving CDF lands are eligible for assistance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which can be arranged by the Director's office.

CALIFORNIA FOREST PEST COUNCIL

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The council is composed of representatives from private and governmental agencies and persons interested in forest pest control. It acts as advisor to forest agencies and to the Director in making recommendations to the Board of Forestry on forest pest problems. The council coordinates detection and control of forest pests on all lands in California. The council that reviews forest pest conditions in the state and recommends action to be taken issues an annual report. This report is entitled "Forest Pest Conditions in California" and is published annually by CDF.

The council has committees that review pest conditions, control, and research at annual meetings held in the fall. The committees are concerned with insects, diseases, animals, weeds, and Southern California forest pest problems. The committees usually have one or two field meetings each year. CDF field personnel will be invited to participate in these meetings, depending upon the location and topics involved.

As a participating member of the council, the department cooperates in all its activities. All control zone proposals are submitted for review to the council. Also, any special pest problems are brought before the council for recommendations.

When a special forest pest problem arises that needs immediate attention, the council may appoint a special committee to initiate and coordinate fast and decisive action. CDF personnel should cooperate and serve on such committees when requested.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

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This department is interested primarily in agriculture but does have an interest in forest pests. An inspection system is operated at several points of entry into California for the detection of plant pests. The department inspects all nurseries in California, both public and private, to prevent contaminated planting stock from being used in California.

The State Department of Food and Agriculture represents California on the Federal Western Plant Board. The plant board makes recommendations pertaining to federal quarantines and uniform quarantine regulations in the western states. CDF works through the Department of Food and Agriculture on all forest pest quarantine problems.

CDF has entered into an understanding involving the state Department of Food and Agriculture and USFS to cooperate in conducting surveys and evaluations of insects or diseases that can be a danger to both agricultural and forest trees. The Department of Food and Agriculture also assists CDF and the USFS in the identification of forest insects and diseases.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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The department has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)--copies made available to region chiefs--with the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to finance insect control projects on parklands within zones of infestation. The DPR regional director and CDF region chief should jointly request all project proposals.

COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

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Many other agencies cooperate in one way or another in forest pest matters. CDF may do control work under agreement on lands under the jurisdiction of other state agencies, the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service, and others.

Liaison is also maintained by CDF with the state Department of Fish and Game, the University of California, water quality control boards, and forest industry associations. The Department of Fish and Game is advised by the Director's office concerning when and where pesticides are being used in forest pest control projects, since Fish and Game may wish to investigate the effects on wildlife and fish.

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