

FOREST PRACTICE ACT

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The basic law for establishment of forest districts for nonfederal commercial timberland and regulation of timber operators and timber operations on these lands is known as the Forest Practice Act (FPA) and is found in Division 4, Chapter 8 beginning with PRC Section 4511.

PRC Section 4516 authorizes counties and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency to adopt their own regulations for timber operations that are stricter than those adopted by the Board of Forestry. Department personnel will refrain from advocating or in any way urging county boards of supervisors, local planning bodies, or other groups to adopt forest practice ordinances. Field personnel should cooperate properly with such entities. When approached by such groups for recommendations, department personnel will ascertain the problem and proposals being considered and transmit a full report to the Director.

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