

CHAPTER 6540 CAMP-MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS PROGRAM

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Responsibility

Division Chief

The CAL FIRE/CDCR Conservation Camp Program's Camp Manufactured Products Program operates as a product development and fabrication program intended to meet the needs of CAL FIRE, CDCR, and those public agencies authorized in PRC 4953. The manufacture of products in conservation camps shall not be a primary activity of the Conservation Camp Program. However, it is intended that this activity provide a means whereby the subject agencies can attain maximum benefit of the offender labor already assigned to the Conservation Camp Program.

Camp offender labor may be used to fabricate items necessary for the efficient operation of CAL FIRE, CDCR and the individual camps. Camp-manufactured products may be furnished to other California state and local government agencies only when such items are needed for conservation and public service and such furnishing does not constitute competition with private industry. Federal law prohibits federal agencies from purchasing products manufactured by state prison offenders. Also, PIA has mandated that camp-manufactured products **will not** be sold to customers outside of California.

CAL FIRE Camp Operations staff will respond to inquiries from PIA staff and will provide PIA with a list of items produced by conservation camps and will report to PIA on the overall operation of the CAL FIRE Camp-Manufactured Products Program, including the cost, volume and variety of items produced, on their request.

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