Guide to the California FOREST PRACTICE ACT

and Related Laws

GUIDE TO THE FOREST PRACTICE ACT and Related Laws is a comprehensive treatise on the applicable state and federal legislation that regulates timber harvesting on private lands in California.

The book covers statutory and regulatory requirements, case law, and agency policies, and includes short articles, charts, graphs, tables, and appendices to help the reader understand complex regulatory processes and how they interrelate.

Intended as a complete resource for the full range of actors involved in timber operations on private lands in California, Guide to the Forest Practice Act will be extremely useful to anyone who needs a detailed understanding of environmental and land use law in California.



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With an in-depth discussion of other state and federal laws that impose additional requirements on timber harvesting—

- California Environmental Quality Act
- Protection of water quality
- Protection of endangered and threatened species
- Protection of wild and scenic rivers
- Regulating the use of pesticides
- Restrictions on streambed alteration
- Timber harvesting in the coastal zone
- Common law nuisance and the public trust doctrine

Topics covered—

- Agencies and professional groups involved in forest practices regulation
- Board of Forestry rulemaking requirements
- Timber harvest review process
- Substantive standards for timber harvest plans
- Standards specific to protection of animals and plants
- Rules governing protection of historical and archaeological resources
- Sustained yield plan process and other types of timber harvest plans
- Local government regulation of timber harvesting
- Timberland Productivity Act
- Timberland conversion
- Private and public enforcement mechanisms and penalties
- Requirements for disclosure of public records
- Licensing and regulation of registered professional foresters and licensed timber operators
- State and federal forestry assistance programs



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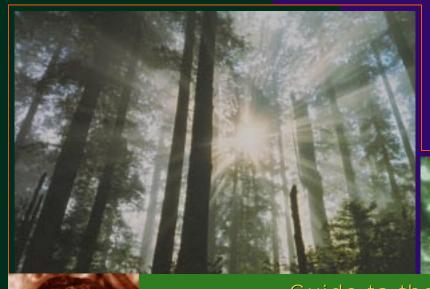
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