

ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: Pacific Forest and Watershed Stewardship Council

BOARD ACTION: *Appointment of Board Member To Serve on Stewardship Council*

BACKGROUND: The Stewardship Council is a private, nonprofit organization that was established in 2004 as part of the settlement of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) bankruptcy. One of its primary goals is to ensure that over 140,000 acres of watershed lands throughout California are conserved for a broad range of beneficial public values. These values include:

- Outdoor recreation
- Sustainable forestry
- Agriculture
- Habitat protection
- Open space preservation
- Protection of historic values

Members of the Stewardship Council's Board of Directors are appointed by a variety of agencies and organizations, including the Central Valley Regional Water Board. Mr. Bob Schneider has served as the Water Board's representative, with Mr. Jim Pedri (Assistant Executive Officer with the Redding office) serving as alternate. Mr. Schneider can no longer serve on the Stewardship Council Board, and a new representative of the Water Board should be appointed to the Stewardship Council.

RECOMMENDATION: Appoint a Board member to serve on the Stewardship Council

Mgmt. Review_____

Legal Review_____

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