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September 3, 2021

Mr. Dan Stapleton California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection 1416 Ninth Street PO Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

EFFECTIVENESS MONITORING COMMITTEE MEMBER RESIGNATION: ELLIOT CHASIN, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Dear Mr. Stapleton:

With this letter, I resign as an active voting member of the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) Effectiveness Monitoring Committee (EMC). Dr. Ben Waitman, California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist) has submitted his letter of interest and *curriculum vitae* to take over the role for CDFW. His qualifications are formidable and will be an asset to the EMC. Per the EMC charter, I plan to serve as the backup agency member of the EMC for CDFW.

It is, and has been, a pleasure to work with the EMC and assist in the work to ensure that California's forests are well managed. Thank you for your time and attention regarding this request. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please contact Isabel Baer at (916) 203-3193 or isabel.baer@wildlife.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Elliot Chasin, Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisory) Timberland Conservation and Fire Resiliency Program

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