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RE: Board of Forestry and Fire Protection Workshop on Conversion.

Dear Mr. Hedge:

The table below is a brief snapshot of the kinds of conventional Timberland Conversion Permit projects the Department has approved to date since 2017, pursuant to Forest Practice Rule Section 1106, *et seq*:

New Use	County	Acres
Health Care Facility	Humboldt	5.5
State Office Construction	Nevada	5
Resort Development	Mariposa	46
Dam Repair	El Dorado	89
Ski Lift Replacement	Placer	5
Water Treatment	Nevada	29
Mobile Home Park Expansion	Nevada	22
Runway Safety Area	Del Norte	29
Residential Development	Mariposa	.25
Vineyard	Napa	16.3
Utility Infrastructure Replacement	Placer	8
Domestic Water Supply Upgrade	San Mateo	130
Blueberry Cultivation	Yuba	7
Vineyard	El Dorado	37
Ski Trail Widening	Placer	4
University Expansion	Santa Cruz	1.5
Resort Expansion	Mariposa	12
Immediate TPZ Rezone	Del Norte	46
Youth Camp Expansion	Yuba	27
Vineyard	Napa	5.4
Vineyard	Lake	43
Corporate Yard	Nevada	12
University Expansion	Santa Cruz	8.5
Vineyard	Napa	5.8
Community College Expansion	Siskiyou	113
Cannabis Cultivation/Residence	Humboldt	3
Youth Camp Expansion/Upgrade	Yuba	42.7
Ski Park Expansion	Siskiyou	88
Affordable Housing Development	Mono	25.19
Snow Tubing Park	Placer	6
Ski Lift Replacement/Gondola Const.	Placer	11
Total Acreage		883.14

The additional table below is a CalTREES capture of the numbers and acreage in less than 3-acre Conversion Exemption Notices accepted by the Department in the five-year period between 2017 and 2021, pursuant to Forest Practice Rule Section 1104.1(a):

Year	<3 Acre Exemptions Accepted	Total Acres
2017	263	574
2018	249	476
2019	188	293
2020	204	335
2021	265	428
Totals	1,169	2,106

Together, the two tables are intended to provide a quick summation of recent timberland conversions and provide further context for discussion at the forthcoming Board workshop on the topic.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this information in support of the workshop.

Sincerely,

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