

Charter for the California SFI Implementation Committee

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Mission:

The mission of the California SFI® Implementation Committee (Committee) is to promote and foster an understanding of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® program and to promote sustainable forestry practices on all forestlands in the state.

Goals & Objectives:

1. Develop a work plan and budget annually to support the SIC in fulfilling the Committee's mission.

Fulfill the key elements of the SFI Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") including, but not limited to, logger training, harvest and regeneration reporting.

2. Inconsistent practices monitoring, landowner outreach, and public recognition.

3. Develop and implement a SIC communications strategy to educate and promote the SFI program.

4. Identify opportunities to recruit members into the SFI program through licensee recruiting and the Tree Farm program.

Membership:

1. Voting Members: One representative from each organization participating in the SFI program who represents a SFI Licensee (also referred to as Program Participants).

2. Non-voting (ex-officio) Members: (1) Representatives from allied organizations, educational institutions, or governmental entities as confirmed by the majority of the SIC voting members. (2) SIC staff unless such person(s) also represents a participating organization or licensee.

Organization:

- Chair: Shall be a Voting Member. The Chair shall serve for a term of two years. Chair can be re-elected to subsequent terms, otherwise the Vice Chair will replace the Chair and a new Vice Chair will be assigned.
- Vice Chair: Shall be a Voting Member. The Vice Chair will replace the Chair when their term ends.
- Additional Officers: Shall include a Coordinator and a Secretary/Treasurer. Shall be Voting Members. The Coordinator and Treasurer shall each serve a term of two years. The Coordinator and Treasurer can be re-elected to subsequent terms.

SIC Decision making:

Decisions of the SIC shall require a majority of the registered voting members as opposed to a simple majority of members present at a meeting.

Advisory Committees:

Advisory Committees can be established to assist the SIC pursue its goals and objectives. An affirmative vote by the majority of registered Voting Members is required to establish an advisory committee. The SIC Chair shall appoint a voting member to chair the advisory committee.

Support staff:

The SIC members will provide the support for the California SIC unless a majority of the Voting Members approve another party to serve as support staff. Support staff will be responsible for meeting organization, meeting minutes, finalizing, and distributing the final work products of the Committee, and other elements of Committee coordination and support as identified by the Chair.

Funding:
Dues or other funding of projects shall be determined by Voting Members.

Dues will be paid annually. Dues will be paid on the basis of ownership acreage.

Acreage	Dues amount
0-10000	300
10,001 -50,000	400
50,001 – 100,000	500
100,001-150,000	600
150.001-300,000	700
300,000 +	1,000

Funding sources, other than SFI grants and self-imposed contributions by SIC members, may be used if approved by the Committee.

The Secretary/Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining an accounting record for the Committee funds, if any, unless a majority of the Voting Members approve another responsible party.

Meetings:

The Committee shall meet in the 2nd and 4th quarter of each year.

Additional meetings are at the discretion of the Chair.