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RCRC Sponsors PILT Legislation

The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) is sponsoring a measure to again require the State to make Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments to counties. Senate Bill 1188 by Senator Mike McGuire (D-Healdsburg) has 15 other authors and co-authors, and is a bi-partisan effort to amend Fish and Game Code language to make State PILT payments to counties a requirement.

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Senate Insurance Committee Holds Informational Hearing on the Homeowners' Insurance Market

On Thursday, the Senate Insurance Committee held an informational hearing regarding the homeowners' insurance market. Chaired by Senator Richard Roth (D-Riverside), top level officials from the Department of Insurance, CALFIRE, local government, insurance industry organizations, and consumer advocate organizations provided testimony on the impact of climate change, drought, and wildfire risk to the residential insurance market.

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Chief Tidwell Testifies Before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee – Provides Update on SRS

Earlier this week, U.S. Forest Service Chief Thomas Tidwell testified before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee in defense of the Forest Service's FY 2017 proposed budget. The issue of wildfire funding played a prominent role in the hearing, and Members on both sides of the aisle indicated the need to put an end to the practice of fire borrowing.

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State Forest Climate Team Announces Public Workshops

The Forest Climate Action Team, also known as FCAT, has announced two public comment workshops in March on the newly released draft Forest Carbon Plan Concept Paper. The Paper, released for public review on March 9, 2016, is a first look at how the FCAT is developing the State's Forest Carbon Plan, a comprehensive plan to address greenhouse gas emissions from forest lands and developing strategies to preserve vital carbon sequestration capacity.

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FAA Authorization and Reform Legislation

Earlier this week, Senate Commerce Committee Chair John Thune (R-South Dakota) introduced an 18-month authorization bill for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Referred to as The Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization Act of 2016, S. 2658 would increase funding for the Airport Improvement Program, which provides capital development grants to airports without increasing the passenger facility charge.

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State Recruits Rural Drivers for Pilot Program

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is recruiting rural drivers to participate in the Road User Charge (RUC) Pilot Program, which was adopted by the Legislature in 2014 through Senate Bill 1077 (DeSaulnier). SB 1077 required the CTC to establish a RUC Technical Advisory Committee to develop recommendations for implementation of a RUC Pilot Program that would study whether a mileage-based transportation funding scheme is a viable replacement for the existing gas tax.

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