

Calaveras-Amador Forestry Team – the “CalAmTeam”

The Team of volunteers integrated in 2014 to provide expertise and effort towards improved land management for the benefit and protection of Amador and Calaveras County residents. With a diverse background in natural resources, we have completed, submitted and received multiple grant applications on behalf of public land management agencies, local government, private landowners and not-for-profit entities and volunteer with various organizations in this goal.

Biographical Information

Core Team Members:



John Heissenbuttel, Pine Grove, CA - A Registered Professional Forester (RPF #1920) and a 1976 Forestry graduate from Humboldt State University. Over the past 35+ years, John has been recognized as an expert on forest management and policy at the local, national and international levels. John was Vice President of Forestry and Wood Products at the American Forest & Paper Association and is a past President of the Society of American Foresters. He is a founder of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative and the Council on Sustainable Biomass Production. In 2010, John received the Sir William Schlich Memorial Medal from the Society of American Foresters for outstanding contributions to the field of forestry and forest policy at the national and international level. John serves as Operations Chair for the Amador Calaveras Consensus Group.



Pat McGreevy, Glencoe, CA - Raised in Richmond CA, Pat spent holidays/summers at the family gold mine in Glencoe. After college graduation he pursued a career in research on the epidemiology, immunology and chemotherapy of tropical diseases that included post-doctoral studies at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, research at the Walter Reed Institute of Research in Washington DC and field studies in tropical Tanzania, Borneo, Panama and Brazil. His contributions were often recognized, but his most coveted award was the “Brazilian Army Medal of the Peace Maker”, the highest honor bestowed on foreign nationals by the Brazilian Army. In 1994 Pat retired in Glencoe for a life of community service: Little League manager, firefighter/EMT on the Glencoe/Rail Road Flat Fire Department, Commissioner for Calaveras Parks & Recreation, local historian, and member of the Calaveras Consensus Group. Concerned about forest destruction by catastrophic fire and beetle infestation, he has devoted countless hours to forest restoration and community protection. Pat was the 2014 Calaveras Senior Volunteer of the Year.



John Hofmann -IN MEMORIAM - from Pine Grove, CA – A forest engineer, 1974 graduate from the University of Idaho, and legislative advocate/analyst, John worked over 45 years for private industry and county governments, proposing innovative solutions in the field, and to state and federal agencies and legislatures. John was a natural resources consultant to the Amador County Board of Supervisors and a member of the planning committee for the Amador Calaveras Consensus Group.



Jan Bray, Jackson CA – Graduate of Humboldt State University and CA Registered Professional Forester #2360, Certified Professional in Erosion & Soil Control (CPESC #1095) and retired Peace Officer. Jan worked for the U.S. Forest Service and the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection, having retired from public service in 2012. Jan’s passion includes faith events and family activities, especially camping, fishing, mission trips and traveling. She volunteers time with children in the Foster Care System, with the A-PAL Humane Society, and with the Amador Calaveras Consensus Group and multiple Fire Safe Councils.



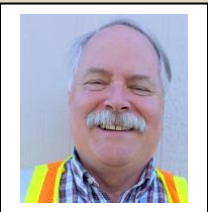
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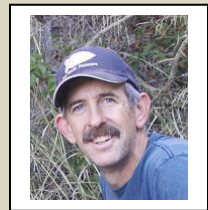
Thomas W. Lowry, Pine Grove, CA - Tom has been a Registered Professional Forester (RPF # 2092) since July 20, 1982 and has a total of over 40 years of forestry experience. He is currently a consulting forester for Lowry Forestry in Pine Grove, California. As a consultant, Tom has been involved in all phases of timberland management including preparing Timber Harvest Documents and California Forest Improvement Plans.



Anne Heissenbittel, Pine Grove, CA – Registered Professional Forester (RPF #1894) and Partner, Heissenbittel Natural Resources Consulting. A graduate in Forestry from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1975, Anne has served as Executive Director of the National Association of State Foresters; Legislative Staff for the Committee on Resources, U.S. House of Representatives; forest policy staff at the American Forest & Paper Association in Washington, D.C.; and a field forester in Amador and Calaveras Counties. Anne is a Fellow of the Society of American Foresters, and she volunteers at Chaw’se Indian Grinding Rock State Historic Park and as a UCCE Master Gardener.



Paul Maben, West Point, CA – Registered Professional Forester (RPF # 2163), Certified Arborist (WE #4310) and graduate of the University of California, Berkeley in 1979. Paul has worked in the Forest Industry for over 40 years. He has managed Pacific Gas and Electric Company timberlands for 22 years; Vegetation Program Manager in charge of tree pruning and removal along Electric powerlines for 13 years, was Principal Land Consultant in charge of tree removal and pruning on PG&E gas transmission pipelines and now manages the Tree Mortality issues for PG&E in the Central Sierras. Paul is a member of the Amador Calaveras Consensus Group and a Director on the Amador Fire Safe Council and past Director/volunteer on three other Fire Safe Councils.



Gordon Long, San Andreas, CA - Professional Wildlife Biologist/Manager. Founder and Executive Officer of The CalFauna Foundation, a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation based in Calaveras County and President of Multiple Use Managers, Inc., a private wildlife management and outfitting firm established in 1977. Gordon has a BS degree in Environmental and Systematic Biology from Cal Poly, SLO in 1988. Gordon is a founding member of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District and currently serves on its Board. Gordon currently works with ACRT, conducting monitoring projects for PG&E’s vegetation management program in the Central Sierras. Gordon has worked extensively across the Western States, consulting with landowners for wildlife habitat improvement. Gordon is also proprietor of a photography business, Long Open Spaces Photography.

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