

Institutional Reform for Forest Management

California Forest Science Symposium Workshop

Thursday, February 19, 2026

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

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Introduction to the Workshop

Scott Stephens

Professor, UC Berkeley

8:35 am

Keynote Address

Presenter:

Brian Levine

Fire Planning Officer, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

Q&A Moderator:

Scott Stephens

Professor, UC Berkeley

9:15 am

Policy Perspective: Top-Down Approaches

Presenters:

Matthew Hurteau

Professor, University of New Mexico

Discussion Lead:

Christina Restaino

Associate Professor, UN Reno

Eric Horne

California Director, Megafire Action

10:25 am

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10:40 am

Place-Based Solutions: Bottom-Up Approaches

Presenters:

Jonathan Kusel

Executive Director, Sierra Institute

Discussion Lead:

Kristen Shive

Specialist, UC Cooperative Extension

Don Hankins

Professor, Chico State University

11:50 am

Closing Remarks

Scott Stephens

Professor, UC Berkeley

