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Legal Constraints Affecting Forest Management Activities on the Project Area

- Z'Berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 (California Public Resources Code – Division 4, Chapter 8): Designed to protect, enhance & restore California's timberland.
- California Forest Practice Rules (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 4): Regulations used to implement the Forest Practice Act that govern timber operations.
- California Timberland Productivity Act of 1982 (Gov.C. 51100 et seq.): The intent of this Act is to *"encourage investment in timberlands based on reasonable expectation of harvest"*, and to *"discourage premature or unnecessary conversion of timberland to urban and other uses"*.
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub.Res.C. 21000 et seq.): statute that requires state and local agencies to identify the significant environmental impacts of their actions and to avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible.
- Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (California Water Code, Division 7. Water Quality): This is the primary vehicle for implementation of California's responsibilities under the federal 1972 Clean Water Act.
- Clean Water Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq.): The Act (CWA) establishes the basic structure for regulating discharges of pollutants into the waters of the United States and regulating quality standards for surface waters.
- California Endangered Species Act (Fish & G.C. 2050 et seq.): Protects and Preserves all native species of fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, invertebrates, and plants, and their habitats, that are threatened with extinction.
- Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, 87 Stat. 884): The Act provides for the conservation of ecosystems upon which threatened and endangered species of fish, wildlife, and plants depend.