

**Southern California
Society of American Foresters
2002 Member Survey**

Over the last several years, the Executive Committee has made a concentrated effort to provide a variety of State Society meetings to meet the expressed needs of our members. The semi-annual Spring and Fall meetings have varied in topics, location, facilities, length, days of the week and cost. We usually hold a 1_ to 2 day meeting on Friday and Saturday, with a field tour comprising the Saturday portion of the meeting.

The Executive Committee would like your input to plan the meetings for the next few years. Please let us know what you want - take a few minutes to complete this short survey. If you received this survey via email, just fill out the survey and email it back to socalsaf@yahoo.com. If you received this survey via standard mail, complete the survey and mail to SoCal SAF, c/o County of Los Angeles Fire Department Forestry Division, 5823 Rickenbacker Road, Room #123, Commerce, CA 90040-3027. For extra copies, you can download the survey from the SoCal SAF website at www.socalsaf.org. Anonymity is expected, but add your name if you'd like a response.

I would be *more likely to attend* a State Society meeting...

1. if it included a topic I'm interested in such as

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Space |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Forestry | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy and Legislation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oak Trees/Woodlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban-Wildland Interface | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

2. if it was held in a location more accessible to me – within a drive of no more than

- 1 hour
- 2 hours
- 3 hours
- I like the idea of rotating locations – anywhere in southern California is fine with me

3. if the facility was a

- Campground
- Organized group camp (church camp, scout camp, etc.)
- Rustic lodge
- Nice resort
- I prefer a variety of facilities – it depends on the topic

4. as long as the cost is reasonable – no more than

- \$25
- \$50
- \$75
- \$100
- Cost is not my main concern, as long as it reflects the value received

5. if the meeting length does not exceed

- 1 day
- 1 _ days
- 2 days
- Other _____
- Meeting length is not my main concern

6. if the meeting days were

- Thursday and Friday
- Friday and Saturday
- Saturday and Sunday
- Any days during the work week are fine
- Other

7. if Continuing Education Units were available to benefit

- SAF Certified Forester
- ISA Certified Arborist
- Pesticide Applicator
- Other _____
- CEU's are not my main concern

I would prefer the following State Society meeting schedule

- Semi-annual Fall and Spring State Society meetings (as is the current practice)
- Annual (i.e. winter) State Society meeting only
- Annual State Society meeting with quarterly one-day regional "workshops" co-hosted by local Chapters
- Other

Did you attend any of these past meetings from 1998-2002?

Yes	Meeting	Date	Days	Location	Topic	If not, why?
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring 2002	April 12-13	1.5	Palm Springs	Desert-Mountain Interface	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fall 2001	October 18-19	2	Julian	Forest Planning	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring 2001	May	2	Malibu	Vegetation Management	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fall 2000	October 27-28	1.5	Lake Arrowhead	Forest History	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring 2000	May 19-20	2	Camarillo	Prescribed Fire	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fall 1999	October	1.5	Riverside	USFS Research	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fall 1998	October	1.5	Frazier Park	Fire Use	