

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You are advised to obtain a copy of California's Assessment of Need and/or the Amendment to the Assessment of Need. Both are available on the CDF's Web site or through CDF's Forest Legacy Coordinator.

There are numerous tax advantages and implications regarding Conservation Easements. It is suggested that anyone contemplating granting a conservation easement get advice from a professional with expertise in taxes, estate planning and/or real estate transactions.

Suggested Reading:

Forest Legacy Program Guidelines; USDA, Forest Service; 1996
Available through the Forest Legacy Program Coordinator

The Conservation Easement Handbook-Managing Land Conservation and Historic Easement Programs; J. Diehl and T. Barret; 1988; Land Trust Alliance, Washington, D.C.

Preserving Family Lands-Essential Tax Strategies for the Landowner; Stephen Small, Esq.; 1992 Landowner Planning Center, Boston, MS

Helpful Contacts:

US Forest Legacy website <http://www.na.fs.fed.us/legacy/>

California Department of Fish and Game
Natural Diversity Database
1807 13th Street, Suite 202
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 322-2493
<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/html/cnddb.html>

Land Trust Alliance
1331 H St. NW Suite 400
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 638-4725
website *: <http://www.lta.org/>

**This website provides important general information about Land Trusts and a list of many of the Land Trusts by state.*

**If you think you would be interested in participating in the
Forest Legacy Program contact the
State Forest Legacy Program Coordinator in Sacramento- 916-653-8286**