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Re: <u>Commissioner Asks All Property and Casualty Insurers Doing Business In</u> <u>California To Increase Coverage For Prescribed Burns</u>

Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara has issued a notice, addressed to all property and casualty insurers doing business in California, to increase coverage available for prescribed burns.

In the notice, issued April 21, 2022, Commissioner Lara noted that prescribed burns are strategically timed to limit risk by reducing brush and small trees, resulting in reduced severity of future wildfires. He asked insurers to consider expanding their underwriting to include prescribed burn operations and also said he would welcome thoughts on how to make insurance for prescribed burns more available.

Questions pertaining to the commissioner's notice can be directed to Mike Peterson, the CDI's deputy commissioner on climate and sustainability, at <u>climatesmart@insurance.ca.gov</u>.

To read the notice in full, please <u>click here</u>.