

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
October 4, 2016

“For all items *NOT* on the agenda”

(Each Speaker Limited to 3 Minutes)

Voluntary Sign-In Sheet
(Public Appearances – 9:00 am)

1. Charles L. Ciancio
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Date: 10/1/16
To: Anyone
Subject: Real World Realities

Forestry in California is not leading to good things.

On a recent hunting trip to Modoc, I finally found some so-called big trees. As in other hunting trips in the West, I saw a lot of dead big and small trees ready to burn. I have seen those in control (protectionists, fourth branch of governmental regulators, and populous minority vote) trained and educated to like what I saw. I learned a lot of burnt wood is made into products out of California and brought back into California. Locally, less and less working folks are involved making big tree redwood products only the well-to-do can afford. World is waking-up, making wood products from thousands of currently grown smaller trees, and I see California being left behind.

It is sad to see local area economy built around timber and somewhat from fishing industry going to pot. I see it as a pipe dream to think taxes, marijuana, tourism, and other sideline products will save the day. With preservationist thinking in play and resulting in a lot of fire, I see many critters, plants, species, and replacement young trees going to hell that used to thrive on past created disturbance. Water, sunlight, and nutrients (needed for plants, critters, and some wanted species to live and multiply) are prevented from happening.

Vague definitions by those in control of running things are often erroneously interpreted. It is a chore to cut a tree done and stay out of trouble. Many landowners are forced to maximize harvest of trees and to sell to developers and taxpayers.

I had to work with a lot of SOBs. O'Reilly, Beck, Limbaugh, Trump, and especially Hillary do a lot of talking, but they and others will never experience what I have experienced.

I have to give up thinking humans will ever change. Being rewarded with money (or something like money, feeding a family, feeling you have done a good job, etc.) will always be in play, and we live under the laws we have created where the well-to-do have learned to thrive and innocents doing no harm will be punished. There will always be those who have and those who want to have; where things old fogies like me have learned is ignored; where tax laws and other laws are all over the place and are made by a controlling voting democratic minority; where some get paid taxpayer dollars and around half pay no taxes; world is in a mess; law and order is breaking down; basis for World War III is being put in place; and humans and many species are in for a world of hurt. My dad was right when he said a revolution was coming.

Why aren't those in charge learning from the older field experience folks?

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