Joint Legislative Healthy Forest Task Force

PURPOSE: To recommend policies based on sound scientific principles for the restoration and long-term health of Arizona's forests and to determine realistic approaches for implementing those policies.

MEMBERSHIP:

House
Three members of the House of Representatives, not more than two from the same political party and one designated as Co-Chair, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Jack Brown, Bill Konopnicki, Jerry Weiers (Co-Chair)

Senate
Three members of the Senate, not more than two from the same political party and one designated as Co-Chair, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Marsha Arzberger, Jake Flake (Co-Chair), Chuck Gray

Other
One member of the public appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. Michael E. Anable, Foray Land Consulting

One member who is an expert in forest health, appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Dr. Wally Covington, Regents' Professor School of Forestry, Ecological Restoration Inst., NAU

One member with expertise in watershed issues appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. Charlie Ester, Salt River Project, Manager, Water Resource Operations

One representative of the forest industry, appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. Scott Higginson, NZ Legacy, Executive Vice President

One member of the ranching community, appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. Jack Metzger

One representative who represents an Indian tribe, appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. Ben Nuvamsa, Kiva Institute, LLC

CONTACT: Jake Agron, Senate Research; Ralene Whitmer, House Research
REPORT DATE: None
EXPIRATION DATE: None
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STATUTORY CITE: Ad Hoc created by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.