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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR AIR AND STREAM IMPROVEMENT, INC. ("NCASI") HOSTED BY GREEN DIAMOND RESOURCE COMPANY FOR FIELD TOUR ON CALIFORNIA TIMBERLANDS

NCASI Forestry Program's spring meeting with its Members featured four tour stops to offer insights into forest management in Northern California and highlight environmental aspects of operational forestry.

KORBEL, CA and CARY, NC (May 20, 2025) – Green Diamond Resource Company hosted 41 attendees for NCASI's annual spring forestry meeting held in Blue Lake, CA, on April 22-24. The meeting included four tour stops on forestlands owned and managed sustainably by Green Diamond, providing attendees valuable insights into forest management in Northern California and highlighting the environmental aspects of operational forestry.

The field tour was designed in collaboration with NCASI to spotlight the intersection of environmental science and forest operations. "NCASI's mission is to advance environmental science and provide our Member Companies with objective, actionable information to support sustainable forest management," said Darren Miller, Vice President of Forestry Programs at NCASI. "This annual meeting allows us to bring together our Members and forest sector partners to exchange knowledge, explore collaborative research, and directly observe the application of science-based practices in sustainable forest management."

"We are always pleased to host tours where we can demonstrate contemporary forestry practices and Green Diamond's holistic, long-term approach to forestland management that includes improving, monitoring, and conserving habitat critical to native fish and wildlife," said Elicia Goldsworthy, Green Diamond's Forest Policy and Communications Manager. "We hope the group gained a better understanding of the complex work Green Diamond employees do every day. NCASI is a valuable resource, providing applied research that helps us with our ongoing commitment to sustainability and stewardship."

The group convened in Blue Lake for the meeting, which included a field tour with stops along the Little River and the North Fork Mad River to facilitate discussions on Green Diamond's Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan and ongoing stream restoration efforts. Additional topics addressed during the tour included working forest operations under the California Forest Practice Rules; terrestrial programmatic permits such as the Forest Habitat Conservation Plan and Humboldt Marten Safe Harbor Agreement; wildlife monitoring initiatives; collaborative projects with NCASI; and northern spotted owl habitat conservation and research.

"Our collaboration with science-based organizations like NCASI allows us to build on the good work we're already doing to ensure a healthy, sustainable forest products sector, and the local families it supports, as well as the work we do to maintain and improve the health of our waterways and landscapes and the biotic communities they support," said Keith Hamm, Green Diamond's Conservation Planning Department Manager. "Green Diamond, over the six generations it has operated, always welcomes the newest science and insights to improve our operations to ensure we're at the cutting-edge of innovation in forestland management."

The goals of the tour and meeting included:

- Becoming more familiar with NCASI-supported research on a variety of forest sustainability issues;
- Gaining insights into stream restoration efforts by Green Diamond and understanding programmatic conservation programs and their beneficial outcomes, including the northern spotted owl and Humboldt marten;
- Observing forestry operations and discussing integration of operations with Green Diamond's environmental objectives.

"Understanding how our Members are applying the science provided by NCASI helps us frame future research questions and provide effective technical support to our Members to ensure sustainable forest management. Being able to witness this firsthand and interact with our Members on a field tour is invaluable for our staff. Green Diamond hosted a wonderful tour, and we are very grateful to them for sharing their insights with us," said Dr. Miller.

ABOUT GREEN DIAMOND RESOURCE COMPANY

Green Diamond Resource Company is a sixth-generation forestland owner and manager, founded in 1890 and deeply rooted in safety and stewardship. Headquartered in Seattle, Green Diamond owns or manages ~2.2 million acres of forestland across the United States, primarily in the Northwest (WA, OR, CA, MT) and Southeast (AL, FL, GA, MS, SC). All Green Diamond timberlands are certified by either the Forest Stewardship Council ® (FSC®) or Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI) - third-party standards for sustainable working forests. Nearly half of our owned lands are also enrolled in forest carbon projects that generate high-quality carbon credits. Learn more about our business and our values: <u>www.greendiamond.com</u>.

ABOUT NCASI

National Council for Air and Stream Improvement, Inc. (NCASI) is a 501(c)(6) tax-exempt association organized to serve the forest products sector as a center of excellence providing unbiased, scientific research and technical information necessary to achieve the industry's environmental and sustainability goals. NCASI's mission is to help its Members cost-effectively meet their environmental and sustainability goals through basic and applied research, technical support, and education. Learn more about NCASI here: <u>https://www.ncasi.org</u>.