



August 29, 2019

Via Email to cotb@arb.ca.gov

Mary Nichols, Chair
California Air Resources Board
1001 I St, Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Tropical Forest Standard – Request for Rescheduling

Dear Chair Nichols and members of the Air Resources Board:

I am writing on behalf of the Center for Biological Diversity to request that the Air Resources Board reschedule its consideration of the California Tropical Forest Standard to the October board meeting.

It is our understanding that the consideration of the California Tropical Forest Standard is currently scheduled for the September board meeting, September 19 and 20. Unfortunately, those dates happen to fall during “Climate Week,” a week of public events across the country and the world to advocate for government action to address climate change. Many of the organizations and individuals who would like to present to the Air Resources Board when the board considers the California Tropical Forest Standard—including staff and members of the Center for Biological Diversity—have substantial obligations in the Bay area and New York over the course of Climate Week and would therefore be unable to attend the September board meeting.

So that the input received by the board is not impeded by this inadvertent conflict, we request that the consideration of the California Tropical Forest Standard be postponed to the October board meeting. The opportunity to present to the board on this important matter should not come at the expense of demonstration of public support for climate action.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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