Commission on Catastrophic Wildfire Cost and Recovery

Organization and Structure

Membership
- The Commission consists of five members. Three members have been appointed by the Governor, one by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one by the Speaker of the Assembly.
- The Chair of the Commission shall be selected by the members of the commission.
- The Chair will be responsible for presiding over the Commission in public meetings.
- No fewer than three Commissioners must be present for each official commission public meeting.
- The Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (OPR) serves as the executive office for the Commission.
- The Commissioners serve at the will of the Governor’s Office and Legislature, and may be replaced by the original appointing entities.

Meeting Format and Decision-making
- Meetings held to hear, discuss, or deliberate upon any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission will be conducted according to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Gov. Code, § 11120 et seq.).
- OPR staff and support will arrange presentations and expert testimony to the Commission.
- When it is necessary for the Commission to make decisions, it will seek consensus whenever possible. Otherwise, decisions will be approved by a majority of the full Commission, as determined by a roll call vote by the Chair. Each member will have one vote.
- The Commission will hold at least four public meetings at locations across the state to seek input regarding local, regional, and subject matter expertise to inform decisions and may schedule additional meetings and other fora as necessary.
- Public testimony will be accepted at all Commission meetings, and the Chair may establish specific time limits for testimony, depending on the number of individuals wishing to address the Commission. Written comments will be accepted throughout the Commission’s process.

Workgroups
- For assistance in conducting its business, OPR may establish committees or workgroups. Such groups may gather information, conduct research, analyze relevant issues and facts, and draft proposed position papers and/or recommendations for deliberation by the Commission.