

### ***Richard T. Thieriot, President***



Mr. Thieriot has served as chairman of the Parrott Investment Company since 1985. From 1977 to 1993, he served as president and chief executive officer of The Chronicle Publishing Company, as well as publisher and editor of the San Francisco Chronicle. Mr. Thieriot was instrumental in creating the 15,000-acre “Llano Seco Wildlife Area” outside Chico, California in 1990. This project involved an unprecedented joint effort by federal, state and non-profit agencies along with private landowners to create a unique wildlife-and-wetland complex in the Sacramento Valley. He also served as chairman of “Farms and Wetlands, Inc.,” a pioneer wetlands project which later was developed into The Nature Conservancy’s “Cosumnes Wildlife Area.”

### ***Ted Weggeland, Vice President***



Mr. Weggeland served in the California Legislature representing the 64th Assembly District from 1992 to 1996. While in the Assembly, he served as the Republican Whip and Chairman of the Banking and Finance Committee. He authored numerous bills signed into law including measures to deter frivolous lawsuits, reform California’s Greater Avenues for Independence program, and redevelop March Air Force Base. He also authored AB 2060 which created the nation’s first certification program for environmental technologies which was selected as a winner for the 1996 Innovations in American Government Award selected by the Ford Foundation and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

### ***Douglas B. McGeoghegan, Member***



Mr. McGeoghegan is a general partner in C-5 Leasing, an equipment leasing, land grading and wildlife habitat restoration firm; Vice President and General Manager of Gunnersfield Enterprises, Inc., specializing in rice and other crop production and related agribusiness including land and resource management, wildlife habitat restoration and consulting; and a partner in McGeoghegan Farming Venture, a rice production agribusiness firm. In 1989 he received a citation from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for “Appreciation for Outstanding Contributions to America’s Natural and Cultural Resources.” In 1990, he received the “Distinguished Service to Agriculture” award from the United States Department of Agriculture. He received national conservation honors in 1994 from the National Rice Foundation for his work with the conservation community in developing farming practices beneficial to wildlife and the environment.

### ***Frank D. Boren, Member***

Mr. Boren's primary interest is in defining the role that private business should play in solving our environmental problems. To that end he is involved in a number of public/private ventures. He is president of Sustainable Conservation, a project of Tides Center, a private non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the environment through business and the private sector. Since 1980, he has been a partner in McNeill Enterprises, a real estate development company in Sherman Oaks, California. In addition, he is a director of the Atlantic Richfield Corporation and chairman of the Board's Committee on the Environment, Health and Safety. He is a member of the Yosemite Concession Services Advisory Committee.



### ***Michael Chrisman, Member***

Mr. Chrisman is the owner/partner of Chrisman Ranches, a Visalia-based family ranching and farming operation in Tulare County. Mr. Chrisman is currently the Regional Manager for Southern California Edison Company managing all phases of company/customer business, political and civic activities in Edison's San Joaquin Valley service area. Previously, he served as Undersecretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture from 1994 to 1996 where he developed and implemented agricultural policy for the state's industry and consumers. Mr. Chrisman served as the Deputy Secretary for Operations/ Legislation in The Resources Agency from 1991 to 1994. He served as Staff Director of the Assembly Republican Caucus and Chief of Staff for former Assemblyman Bill Jones specializing in agriculture, water and environmental issues. Mr. Chrisman serves on the California Conservation Council of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the boards of directors of the Great Valley Center, Sequoia Kings Canyon National Parks Foundation, and Self Help Enterprises. He is affiliated with The Nature Conservancy, California Waterfowl Association, Ducks Unlimited, and the California Farm Bureau Federation.

