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Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2009, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable
☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION
 Doing Business As
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
P.O. BOX 1196
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
ARNOLD, CA 95223

D Employer identification number
23-7405964

E Telephone number
(209) 795-3840

G Gross receipts \$ 291,152

F Name and address of principal officer ANNE SAUNDERS Marcy Crawford
P.O. BOX 4384, DORRINGTON, CA 95223

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No
H(b) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number N/A

I Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c)(3) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: www.bigtrees.org

K Form of organization ☐ Corporation ☐ Trust ☒ Association ☐ Other ☐

L Year of formation 1975

M State of legal domicile CA

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: PROMOTE THE EDUCATION AND INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES OF THE CALAVERAS BIG TREES PARK.

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	<u>12</u>
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	<u>12</u>
5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	<u>3</u>
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	<u>150</u>
7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	<u>0</u>
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	<u>0</u>

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<u>26,509</u>	<u>23,673</u>
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<u>6,878</u>	<u>6,683</u>
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<u>13,593</u>	<u>6,742</u>
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<u>112,937</u>	<u>113,706</u>
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<u>159,917</u>	<u>150,804</u>
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	<u>49,729</u>	<u>47,696</u>
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11a)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	<u>80,262</u>	<u>78,212</u>
18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<u>130,991</u>	<u>126,908</u>
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	<u>28,926</u>	<u>23,896</u>

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<u>808,806</u>	<u>832,702</u>
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<u>808,806</u>	<u>832,702</u>

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here
 Signature of officer Marcy Crawford Date 5/14/10
 Type or print name and title MARCY CRAWFORD, PRESIDENT

Paid Preparer's Use Only
 Preparer's signature DAN AYALA, CPA Date 5.11.10
 Check if self-employed ☐ Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) P00025341
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 TRIBBLE & AYALA CPAS, INC.
BOX 400, ANGELS CAMP, CA 95222
 EIN 94-3411614
 Phone no 209-736-4631

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

- 1** Briefly describe the organization's mission.
PROMOTE THE EDUCATION AND INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES OF THE CALAVERAS BIG TREES PARK.
- 2** Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.
- 3** Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.
- 4** Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 116,990 including grants of \$ 1,000) (Revenue \$ 267,479)
PROMOTE THE EDUCATION AND INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES OF THE CALAVERAS BIG TREES PARK WITH PROGRAMS, FUNDRAISERS, INTERPRETIVE MATERIALS, SALES AND STUDIES.

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ► 116,990

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	X
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6 X	
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	X
11 Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	11 X	
• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		
• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		
• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		
• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		
12 Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.	12	X
12A Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional	12A Yes No X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I	14b	X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II.	15	X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.	19	X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25.</i>		X
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		X
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		X
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		X
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
25b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i> N/A		
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
28c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1.</i>		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	0
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	3
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)	2b	X
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	3a	X
	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	X
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	X
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	X
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	X
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: N/A		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: N/A		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	N/A
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	1a 12	
b Enter the number of voting members that are independent	1b 12	
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?	5	X
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6 X	
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a X	
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	7b	X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	8a X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9a	X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	X
b If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?	10b	
11 Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11	X
11A Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a X	
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X
c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	12c	X
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	X
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b X	
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	X
b If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► CA

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► DEBBIE MCGEE, P.O. BOX 1196, ARNOLD, CA 95223 209-795-3840

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees. See instructions for definition of "key employee"

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☒ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
MARGARET BELL, 1231 HEATHER DR., MURPHYS, CA 95247	5	X						0	0	0
MARCY CRAWFORD, P.O. BOX 107, ARNOLD, CA 95223	35	X		X				0	0	0
CHARLOTTE HUNT, P.O. BOX 2691, ARNOLD, CA 95223	5	X						0	0	0
BETTY ANN PRESCOTT, P.O. BOX 4296, CAMP CONNELL, CA 95223	5	X						0	0	0
MARILYN REGAN, P.O. BOX 2818, ARNOLD, CA 95223	5	X						0	0	0
STEVE STOCKING, P.O. BOX 1259, SAN ANDREAS, CA 95249	5	X						0	0	0
BRUCE THOMSEN, 23374 GOLD SPRINGS DR., COLUMBIA, CA 95310	5	X						0	0	0
JOHN WOODWARD, P.O. BOX 4247, CAMP CONNELL, CA 95223	5	X						0	0	0
ANNE SAUNDERS, P.O. BOX 4384, DORRINGTON, CA 95223	20			X				0	0	0
DICK WATSON, P.O. BOX 661, ARNOLD, CA 95223	5			X				0	0	0
RICHARD SZUKALSKI, P.O. BOX 3340, ARNOLD, CA 95223	10			X				0	0	0
BUNNY FIREBAUGH, P.O. BOX 3544, ARNOLD, CA 95223	5			X				0	0	0

Part VII **Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** *(continued)*

[illegible]

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ►

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	X
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	X
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NONE		
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ►		0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a Federated campaigns 1a				
	b Membership dues 1b	5,745			
	c Fundraising events 1c				
	d Related organizations 1d				
	e Government grants (contributions) 1e	11,308			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f	6,620			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶	23,673			
Program Service Revenue	2a GROUP TOURS Business Code	900099	3,038		
	b INTERPRETIVE	900099	3,645		
	c				
	d				
	e				
	f All other program service revenue				
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶	6,683			
	Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶	6,742		
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
5 Royalties ▶					
6a Gross Rents		(i) Real (ii) Personal			
b Less: rental expenses					
c Rental income or (loss) 0		0			
d Net rental income or (loss) ▶		0			
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(i) Securities (ii) Other			
b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
c Gain or (loss) 0		0			
d Net gain or (loss) ▶		0			
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 a		10,688			
b Less: direct expenses b		5,488			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶		5,200			
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 a					
b Less: direct expenses b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶		0			
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a		243,366			
b Less: cost of goods sold b	134,860				
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶	108,506				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code			
11a					
b					
c					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶	0				
12 Total Revenue. See instructions. ▶	150,804				

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.****All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).**

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	1,000	1,000		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	47,696	47,696		
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	1,100		1,100	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion	3,558	3,558		
13 Office expenses	474	474		
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	599	599		
17 Travel	1,081	1,081		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	700	700		
20 Interest	5,355	5,355		
21 Payments to affiliates	40,000	40,000		
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,042	2,042		
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a ADMIN. & HOSPITALITY	7,437	946	6,491	
b BANK CHARGES & COMPUTER	962		962	
c DUES & FEES	1,365		1,365	
d SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS	5,434	5,434		
e TELEPHONE	2,905	2,905		
f All other expenses	5,200	5,200		
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	126,908	116,990	9,918	
26 Joint Costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation	N/A			

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	1,626	1	5,369
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	476,209	2	509,752
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	56,138	8	44,790
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 306,170		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 33,379		
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	808,806	16	832,702	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0	26	0
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	164,736	27	170,920
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	526,132	28	541,813
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	117,938	29	119,969
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	808,806	33	832,702
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	808,806	34	832,702

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☐ Accrual ☒ Other HYBRID
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- d** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both.
☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b		X
2c		X
3a		X
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

23-7405964

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11 ☒ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III—Functionally integrated d ☒ Type III—Other
 - e ☒ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).**
 - f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box ☐
 - g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? ☐
 - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? ☐
 - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? ☐

	Yes	No
11g(i)		X
11g(ii)		X
11g(iii)		X

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
CA STATE DEPT OF PARKS & RECREATION	EXEMPT	STATE GOV'T UNIT	X		X		X		40,000
Total									40,000

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

Part II **Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** N/A
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

N/A

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . .	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

- 19a** **33 1/3% support tests—2009.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- b** **33 1/3% support tests—2008.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- 20** **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, N/A
Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions

[Area with horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information]

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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2009

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Inspection**

Name of the organization

CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

23-7405964

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year	119,969	
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year	119,969	

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☒ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7 N/A

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8 N/A

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a ☐ Public exhibition

d ☐ Loan or exchange programs

b ☐ Scholarly research

e ☐ Other

c ☐ Preservation for future generations

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21 N/A

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10 N/A

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ %

b Permanent endowment ▶ %

c Term endowment ▶ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings	270,131			270,131
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	36,039		33,379	2,660
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				272,791

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value	N/A
Financial derivatives			
Closely-held equity interests			
Other			
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶			

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
		N/A
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

[illegible]

Part X **Other Liabilities.** See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
	Federal income taxes	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25) ▶		

2. FIN 48 Footnote In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements

N/A

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

N/A

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

N/A

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	

Part XIV Supplemental Information

N/A

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part XIV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

N/A

Area for supplemental information with horizontal dotted lines.

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Inspection**

Name of the organization

CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

23-7405964

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, 11A:

THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT PROVIDE A COPY OF ITS FORM 990 TO THE GOVERNING BODY
BEFORE THE FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, 15B:

EMPLOYEES ARE COMPENSATED AT A CERTAIN DOLLAR AMOUNT PER HOUR THAT IS AGREED
UPON BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. EMPLOYEES RECEIVE PAY INCREASES BASED UPON
THEIR ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS. INCREASES ARE AGREED UPON BY THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, 19:

THE ORGANIZATION ONLY ALLOWS THE PUBLIC TO VIEW THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT
OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XI, 1:

THE ORGANIZATION USES THE CASH BASIS METHOD OF ACCOUNTING THAT INCLUDES THE
TRACKING OF INVENTORY.

Form **4562**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)**Depreciation and Amortization**
(Including Information on Listed Property)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

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Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return

CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION

Business or activity to which this form relates

FORM 990

Identifying number

23-7405964

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179**Note:** If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1 Maximum amount. See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	\$250,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	\$800,000
4 Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6 (a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7 Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	0
9 Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	0
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2008 Form 4562	10	
11 Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	0
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2010 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 ▶	13	0

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	2,042

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)**Section A**

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2009	17	
18 If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here		<input type="checkbox"/>

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs.		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs.	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21 Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	2,042
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

Form **4562** (2009)

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES 2009
CALAVERAS BIG TREES ASSOCIATION
EIN 23-7405964 0729518

Form 990, Part VIII

Line 8a – Special Fundraising Events and Activities

<u>Description of Event</u>	<u>Gross Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Family Day in the Park	\$ 10,688	\$ 4,314
Fund Raising Events		1,174
Total	<u>\$ 10,688</u>	<u>\$ 5,488</u>

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 10a

Sales of inventory represents sales of educational publications, park related souvenirs, and other visitor center merchandise related to the educational and interpretive mission of the association. Also sales of firewood bundles for camper use in the park and sales of beverages from a vending machine for park users.

Sales

Visitor Center Sales	\$ 217,586
Wood Sales	22,584
Warming Hut	3,196
Total Sales	<u>\$ 243,366</u>

Cost of Goods Sold

Beginning Inventory 2008	\$ 56,138
Credit Card Fees	5,856
Visitor Center Purchases	116,191
Warming Hut	1,465
Less Ending Inventory 2009	-44,790
Total Cost of Goods	<u>\$ 134,860</u>

Form 990, Part IX, Line 21 – Payments to Affiliates

Name and Address	Amount	Purpose of Payment
State of California, Dept. of Parks and Recreation, Sacramento, CA	\$ 40,000	Share Cost Park Guide Training
Total	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	

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Form 990, Part IX,
Line 2 – Grants and Allocations – Cash

Class of Activity	Name	Amount	Relationship
Student Scholarship	Cristina Autry	\$1,000	None

Note #1

Calaveras Big Trees Association annual scholarship is awarded in response to applications from college level students enrolled in natural resource or interpretive programs.