



# BUTTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## REGULAR AGENDA FEBRUARY 24, 2026 9:00 AM

### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

BILL CONNELLY, DISTRICT 1  
PETER DURFEE, DISTRICT 2  
TAMI RITTER, DISTRICT 3  
TOD KIMMELSHUE, DISTRICT 4  
DOUG TEETER, DISTRICT 5

ANDY PICKETT  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS  
25 COUNTY CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 205  
OROVILLE, CALIFORNIA

BRAD STEPHENS  
COUNTY COUNSEL

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

Observation of a Moment of Silence

### 2. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

Rules of Decorum

The Board of Supervisors welcomes the public to its meetings and encourages and appreciates public engagement. The Board of Supervisors expects members of the public to act in a courteous, civil, and respectful manner, and not make personal, impertinent, slanderous, or profane remarks to any member of the Board, staff, or the general public. The Board of Supervisors will not tolerate loud, threatening, personal, or abusive language, or disorderly conduct, which disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of Board meetings. Violation of these rules of decorum will result in the meeting being recessed.

2.1 Corrections and/or Changes to the Agenda

2.2 Announcement(s) of Recusal

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda will begin with any Supervisor Comments on the Consent Agenda Items, then proceed with the Adoption of the Consent Agenda. Items can be removed for further discussion at the request of a Supervisor.

#### 3.1. Clerk-Recorder's Office

##### 3.1.a Budget Amendment for Congressional District 1 Special Primary Election

On January 16, 2026, the Governor ordered a special election to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Congressman Doug LaMalfa. The Primary Election to fill that vacancy will be held on June 2, 2026, and will be conducted concurrently with the regularly scheduled June Primary. The costs of this special election will be paid by the affected counties.

The Clerk-Recorder's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a budget

amendment utilizing General Fund Appropriations for Contingencies in the amount of \$500,000 to cover the costs of the Special Election, including ballot costs, election equipment, outreach efforts, and additional temporary election staffing. Approval of the budget amendment will reduce the available General Fund Appropriation for Contingencies \$500,000 to \$10,658,016. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT USING GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENCIES (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

3.1.b Budget Amendment for November 4, 2025 Special Election

On November 4, 2025, the Clerk-Recorder's Office conducted the Proposition 50 Special Election. The total cost incurred by the Department to conduct this election was \$922,000. The Department was reimbursed \$843,000 from the State of California for election expenses incurred, and the remaining costs were absorbed by the Department's budget, as they were preexisting operational costs.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a budget amendment for \$843,000 including the offsetting revenue reimbursement for the November 4, 2025 Special Election. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

**3.2. County Administration**

3.2.a Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Submitted for approval are the February 10, 2026 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 10, 2026 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES.

3.2.b Letter of Support for Federal Permitting Reform

Federal congressional leaders have been discussing a variety of permitting reforms, including the Fix Our Forests Act (H.R. 471/S. 1462) and the SPEED Act (H.R. 4776), which propose changes to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related permitting processes. Current federal processes can take years and delay critical projects. For example, prior to the Park Fire, the Butte County Fire Safe Council was approved for federal funding to complete a hazardous fuels reduction project. The project was stalled for years awaiting NEPA and Historic Review and homeowners that had signed up to participate in the program lost their homes in the Park Fire. Staff recommend approval of a letter to Senators Padilla and Schiff urging support for balanced reforms that eliminate redundant processes and establish reasonable timelines for federal agency review and decision-making. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.c MOU with Golden State Finance Authority for Test Claims for State-Mandated Cost Reimbursement

RCRC through its affiliate, the Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA), is working with member Counties to provide State Mandate Test Claim preparation services for newly

enacted State laws that result in unfunded State mandates. Successful test claims result in annual State reimbursement to all counties unless the State suspends the mandate. Historically, rural counties have lacked the resources to submit test claims. The GSFA program supports counties by providing experienced professionals to prepare the test claims at no cost unless the claim is successful. If successful, the County would pay GSFA for their consultant costs plus 10%, which is reinvested in the program, so more test claims can be submitted. If approved, GSFA will work with County Administration and the Sheriff's Office to prepare a test claim related to AB 2842 recently enacted by the State, which prohibits the Sheriff's Office from using no cost, third-party vendors to destroy firearms because those vendors sold parts of the firearm for profit. This has resulted in new costs for the County, including the purchase of an industrial shredder to destroy firearms. County Administration and the Sheriff's Office recommend approval of a MOU with GSFA for a term effective upon execution through three years or final disposition of the test claim. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE MOU AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.d Resolution Authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer to Execute Documents, Including a Facility Sublease, Required for the State's Financing of the Jail Project

In 2014, California enacted SB 863, providing lease-revenue bond funding for the construction and renovation of county jails. On August 11, 2015, the Board of Supervisors authorized submission of the County's \$40 million funding application under SB 863 which was approved by the State. The Jail Expansion Project ribbon cutting was held on January 16th and the State is preparing to issue the bonds used to finance the project. The State issuance of the bonds requires a lease arrangement at no cost to the County. Staff recommend approval of a Resolution authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer to sign a facility sublease with the State for the Jail Expansion and related documents. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.e Letters of Concern Regarding 2026-27 State Budget

Governor Newsom proposed a budget in January and state legislative leaders have begun deliberations. If adopted as proposed, the State Budget continues to task counties with the delivery of services to our residents, but neglects to provide the funding necessary to deliver the services. For example, in 2024, voters overwhelmingly approved Proposition 36, sending a clear directive to make our communities safer, yet no new funds are included in the proposed state budget. Similarly, state changes to Mental Health funding eliminate support for proven, locally directed programs that serve our most vulnerable residents.

Additionally, counties are facing a mounting fiscal crisis due to federal H.R. 1, which could shift an estimated \$6-\$9.5 billion in new Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and indigent health care costs to counties. Without the resources or flexibility to address these significant cost shifts, Butte County will be required to divert resources from other critical local services to address these new unfunded mandates. Staff recommend approval of letters to the state Senate, Assembly and Governor addressing these concerns. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTERS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.f Letter of Support for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026 FEMA Community Project Funding (CPF) Requests

The CPF process, formerly known as earmarks, provides direct federal funding for local priority projects through annual appropriations bills. Since its inception, the County has successfully secured funding for several projects, including \$130,000 for the County's EOC Technology Refresh project in FFY 2026. This funding is currently included in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) appropriations bill pending in the House. The bill must pass and be signed into law before the County can receive these funds. However, this funding is at risk if Congress adopts a year-long Continuing Resolution (CR) or another funding measure that does not provide full-year appropriations for DHS. Staff recommend approving a letter to Senators Padilla and Schiff urging them to support inclusion of FEMA CPF projects in any CR or alternative funding vehicle. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.2.g Letter of Support for AB 442 (Hadwick) – Working Forest Management Plans

Supervisors Connelly and Teeter request Board consideration of a letter of support for AB 442 (Hadwick). This measure would allow management of private timberlands across multiple watersheds. Currently the Forest Practice Act mandates that a forest management plan must be contained within a single watershed, or hydrologic area. This requirement acts as a barrier to holistic forest resilience management because forest systems often cross multiple watersheds. AB 442 would enable landowners to manage continuous forest systems under one forest management plan, regardless of watershed boundaries. AB 442 passed the Assembly in January and is pending committee referral in the Senate. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.3. Department of Agriculture**

3.3.a Resolution Recognizing the Week of March 1 through March 7, 2026, as Weights and Measures Week

March 1, 2026 through March 7, 2026, is Weights and Measures Week, highlighting the essential role of accurate weights and measures in ensuring fair commerce, consumer protection, and public trust. It honors the work of Weights and Measures professionals in supporting equity and confidence in the marketplace. (DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.4. Department of General Services**

3.4.a Lot Line Adjustment and Parcel Creation by Deed for County-Owned Properties in Gridley for Construction of a Behavioral Health Facility

On October 25, 2022, the Butte County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution accepting Community Development Block Grant–Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Allocation and Project Selection. On December 10, 2024, the Board approved an agreement with 19six Architects to provide construction documents and parcel merger services for construction of a new behavioral health facility on existing

County-owned properties in the City of Gridley. The subject properties include the Gridley Veterans Memorial Hall, County office facilities, and the former Gridley Courthouse, which currently houses the Department of Agriculture; the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program; and the District 4 Office. The four subject properties are identified as APN 010-170-001, 010-170-003, 010-170-019, and 010-170-020. Parcel 010-170-001 contains the Gridley Veterans Memorial Hall and is addressed at 249 Sycamore Street. Parcel 010-170-020 previously served as the Gridley Superior Courthouse and is addressed at 239 Sycamore Street. This action will remove and combine parcel lines for APNs 010-170-003, 010-170-019, and 010-170-020, and adjust the easterly parcel line of APN 010-170-001. The lot line adjustment resolves a setback issue associated with the former courthouse and brings all existing structures into compliance with City of Gridley zoning requirements. The resulting configuration will create two parcels, identified as Lot A and Lot B. Lot B will be utilized for construction of the new behavioral health facility. The Department recommends approving a lot line adjustment and parcel creation by deed. The action includes one grant deed for Lot A (APN 010-170-001) and one grant deed for Lot B (APNs 010-170-003, 010-170-019, and 010-170-020). (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT AND PARCEL CREATION BY DEED; 2) ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL SERVICES DIRECTOR, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECT THE PARCEL CREATION AND LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT, INCLUDING CERTIFICATES OF ACCEPTANCE.

3.4.b Budget Amendment for Public Health Facility Improvements at 202 Mira Loma Drive, Oroville

The Environmental Health (EH) Division and the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program of the Department of Public Health operate at 202 Mira Loma Drive in Oroville. As part of the FY 2025-26 budget, the Board of Supervisors approved a project to replace carpet and paint within the Environmental Health space, with an approved project budget of \$201,000. The original intent was to also include the carpet and paint within the WIC program area because they have reached the end of their useful life and require replacement to maintain safe, reliable, and clean working conditions. The approved project budget only included the cost for the EH Division, so this item would expand the existing project to include the WIC program area. The expansion would increase the total project cost by \$86,200 to \$287,200. The Departments of Public Health and General Services recommend approval of a budget amendment to expand the project funded by Public Health. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

3.4.c Capital Project and Budget Amendment for Generator Replacement at 479 E. Park Avenue, Chico

The County-owned facility located at 479 E. Park Avenue in Chico houses critical vault equipment operated by the Department of Information Systems, including equipment for the Butte Regional Interoperable Communications System. The existing generator at this location can no longer reliably support current power demands and is experiencing electrical surging, which places critical equipment at risk of damage and threatens Public Safety Communications. Continued operation of the existing generator increases the

likelihood of power interruptions, equipment failure, and service disruptions. The Departments of General Services and Information Systems recommend approval of a capital project to replace the current generator at a cost of \$460,300 and a budget amendment utilizing General Fund Appropriation for Contingencies to finance the project. Approval of the budget amendment will reduce the available General Fund Appropriation for Contingencies \$460,300 to \$10,197,716. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT AND BUDGET AMENDMENT USING GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENCIES (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

3.4.d Ratification of Change Orders 12–15 and Approval of Change Order 16 to the Contract with Rock Creek Construction, Inc. for Oroville Veterans Memorial Park

On July 30, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with Rock Creek Construction, Inc. to complete the remaining substantial construction of the Oroville Veterans Memorial Park (OVMP) for an amount not to exceed \$974,411. The Board subsequently ratified Change Orders 1 through 3 and approved Change Orders 4 and 5, totaling \$143,545, and ratified Change Orders 6 through 11 in the amount of \$56,818.

Since that time, the Department of General Services has issued Change Orders 12 through 15, totaling \$48,751. These change orders included adjustments to site grading and flag height elevations, installation of safety posts and guardrails to separate pedestrians and vehicles, addition of thickened concrete for a future Merchant Marine monument, epoxy coating, and metal lettering, with extensions to the contract schedule as needed.

At the request of the Oroville Veterans Memorial Park Committee, the contractor submitted Change Order 16 for \$17,088 to install a black granite slab for a bugler monument, a metal address sign, a service dog monument, and the pickup, delivery, and sealing of the Merchant Marine monument. The total cost of all 16 change orders is \$266,203, resulting in a revised total contract amount of \$1,240,614.

The Department of General Services recommends ratifying Change Orders 12 through 15 and approving Change Order 16. All other terms and conditions of the contract remain unchanged, and the total project budget remains the same. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS 12 THROUGH 15; AND 2) APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 16 AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.4.e Notice of Completion and Change Order Ratifications with D.H. Slater & Son, Inc. for Butte County SB 863 Jail Project at 9 Gillick Way, Oroville

On May 23, 2023, the Board of Supervisors awarded a contract to D.H. Slater & Son, Inc. in the amount of \$32,999,000 to construct a 35,706-square-foot stand-alone detention facility at 9 Gillick Way, Oroville.

On September 24, 2024, the Board ratified Change Orders 1 through 44, issued through July 31, 2024, totaling \$611,303. On December 16, 2025, the Board approved Change Order 94 in the amount of \$413,365 to remove and replace pavement and install site lighting in the parking lot east of 5 Gillick Way.

During the remainder of construction, the Department of General Services executed Change Orders 45 through 110, totaling \$1,231,228, to complete the project. The total value of all change orders is \$2,362,294, which remains within the approved budget for the project.

All contract work has been completed, inspected, and approved by the Department of Development Services, the Department of General Services, special inspectors, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The Department of General Services recommends ratifying Change Orders 45 through 110, accepting the contract work as complete, and authorizing the Chair to sign the Notice of Completion. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS 45 THROUGH 110; 2) ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WORK AS COMPLETE; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

3.4.f Contract Amendment with Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto for Jail Kitchen Plumbing Design at 7 Gillick Way, Oroville

On March 12, 2024, the Department of General Services entered into a contract with Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto for a fixed price of \$3,600 to investigate a compromised drain line in the Jail Kitchen located at 7 Gillick Way in Oroville. Based on the findings of that investigation, the Board approved Amendment 1 on December 3, 2024, in the amount of \$35,600 to expand the scope of work to include preparation of construction drawings for removal and replacement of the damaged waste line.

On March 5, 2025, Amendment 2 was approved to extend the contract term from March 12, 2025, through March 12, 2026, with no change to the contract amount. On September 23, 2025, the Department, in coordination with the Sheriff's Office, determined that replacement of all under-slab plumbing throughout the Jail Kitchen was necessary, and Amendment 3 was approved in the amount of \$54,630, increasing the total contract amount to \$90,230.

On January 29, 2026, Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto submitted a fixed-price proposal in the amount of \$27,000 to evaluate existing gas lines and electrical requirements for current Jail Kitchen appliances and incorporate those findings into the design. This action amends the contract to extend the term through March 12, 2027, and increases the total contract amount to \$117,230.

The Department recommends amending the contract with Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto for jail kitchen plumbing design services. The amendment extends the term of the contract through March 12, 2027, and increases the maximum payable amount by \$27,000, not-to-exceed \$117,230. All other terms remain the same. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.5. Department of Human Resources**

3.5.a Side Letter Agreement with Probation Peace Officers Association (PPOA)—Canine Compensation

The Department of Human Resources, in coordination with the Probation Department, has met and conferred with the PPOA to add a Canine Compensation provision to the PPOA MOU. Currently, the Probation Department has one employee assigned a canine that is currently being compensated by overtime hours to care for the canine. This Side Letter Agreement creates a Canine Compensation provision that mirrors the existing language used by the Deputy Sheriff's Association for their Canine Compensation. This new provision will create consistency throughout these units and reduce overtime costs for the Department. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - APPROVE SIDE LETTER AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.5.b Resolution Extending Temporary Deputy Probation Officer Hiring Bonus Program through June 30, 2026

On January 28, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved a Temporary Hiring Bonus Program for the Deputy Probation Officer classifications to assist with the staff recruitment and subsequent retention issues that have existed the last several years. Under the program, which expired January 31, 2026, the Department has attracted new candidates and hired 22 new employees. The Probation Department recommends extending the term of this Hiring Bonus Program until June 30, 2026. (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.6. Department of Public Health**

3.6.a Allocation Agreement with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Prevention and Collaboration

CDPH, Sexually Transmitted Diseases Control Branch provides funding to local agencies to support STI prevention and control activities. The funds are used for the implementation of public health activities related to monitoring, prevention, testing, and treatment for the most vulnerable and underserved individuals living with, or at high risk for STIs. For the purposes of this allocation, STIs are defined as chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, congenital syphilis and mpox. Activities may include integrated services for STIs, viral hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection and drug overdose, to the extent they improve health outcomes for people living with, or at risk for, STIs. A portion of the funds allocated must be used to support activities in partnership with community-based organizations (CBOs) or non-profit healthcare providers. The Department of Public Health recommends entering into an allocation agreement with CDPH to provide STI prevention and control activities. The term of the allocation agreement is July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2031 with an annual allocation of \$288,149 and maximum amount receivable of \$1,440,745. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE ALLOCATION AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.7. Department of Public Works**

3.7.a Resolution Vacating a Portion of Enterprise Road

On October 8, 2025, the California Department of Water Resources requested a vacation of a portion of Enterprise Road in the unincorporated area of the County which would relinquish the County easement. The road was deeded to the County by the State under a director's easement deed recorded on May 23, 1974, in Book 1912 of Official Records at page 115. This portion of the road has been used as a striped and maintained parking lot for several decades, which conflicts with its use as a road.

The purpose of this request is to restrict access in order to mitigate illegal dumping and Golden Mussel infestation in the short term and provide for future improvements to the State's launch ramp facilities. This request meets the requirements for a summary vacation under the provisions of Section 8334(b) of the California Streets and Highways Code. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

4. **REGULAR AGENDA**

4.1 Board Member/Committee Reports and Board Member Comment

4.2 Public Comment

Comments to the Board on issues and items not listed on the agenda. Pursuant to California State law, the Board of Supervisors is prohibited from taking action on any item not listed on the agenda. Please note that Public Comment is in two separate sections. One, at the beginning of the regular agenda, which will last a maximum of 15 minutes, with another to follow as the last item on the regular agenda with no time limits.

4.3 Appointment to the Butte County Planning Commission

The Planning Commission (Commission) is a five-member commission that acts on matters related to planning and development and advises the Board of Supervisors on various land use matters. Some of the Commission's objectives are to prepare and adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of Butte County; to develop a plan for the conservation, development, and economic utilization of the natural resources of this County; and generally to conserve and promote the public health, safety, and general welfare. Each member of the Board of Supervisors may nominate one member of the Commission to represent each District, and each Commissioner shall be appointed by the Board to serve a term that coincides with the appointing Supervisor. Supervisor Teeter has nominated Sean McCreary to be appointed as the District 5 Commissioner, to serve the remainder of a vacant unexpired term, ending January 1, 2029. (OTHER)

Action Requested - APPOINT SEAN MCCREARY TO SERVE ON THE BUTTE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AS DISTRICT 5 COMMISSIONER, TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF A VACANT UNEXPIRED TERM, ENDING JANUARY 1, 2029.

4.4 Appointment to the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Advisory Committee

The IHSS Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) provides recommendations, proposals, and presents information to the Board of Supervisors on the preferred modes of service to be utilized in the County for IHSS. Additionally, the Advisory Committee provides recommendations to any administrative body in the County related to the delivery

and administration of IHSS, including the governing body and administrative agency of the Public Authority, nonprofit consortium, contractor, and public employees. The Advisory Committee consists of 11 members composed of a combination of IHSS recipients, providers, community/agency members, and/or County staff, and there are currently three vacancies on the Board. An application has been received from Delcie Mills requesting reappointment as a Provider Representative, to serve a three-year term ending December 31, 2028. (OTHER)

Action Requested - REAPPOINT DELCIE MILLS TO THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS A PROVIDER REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2028.

4.5 Appointments to the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC)

The Board of Supervisors established the FAC to facilitate public involvement and assist the County in meeting the guiding principles of the Butte General Plan as it pertains to utilization and management of public lands. The FAC is comprised of five public members and five alternate members representing the following areas of interest: 1) Agriculture/Timber Management; 2) Recreation – Motorized; 3) Recreation – Non-Motorized; 4) Environmental/Watershed Management; and 5) Economic/Tourism, and each member serves a four-year term.

Robert Gage has requested reappointment to serve as the Recreation-Non-Motorized Alternate Member, Benjamin Raynal has requested appointment to serve as the Environmental/Watershed Management Member, and Courtney Ellington has requested appointment to serve as the Alternate Environmental/Watershed Management Member. If appointed, each would serve a four-year term ending December 31, 2029. (OTHER)

Action Requested - REAPPOINT ROBERT GAGE AS THE RECREATION-NON-MOTORIZED MEMBER, APPOINT BENJAMIN RAYNAL AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL/WATERSHED MEMBER, AND APPOINT COURTNEY ELLINGTON AS THE ALTERNATE ENVIRONMENTAL/WATERSHED MANAGEMENT MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE, EACH FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM, ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2029.

4.6 Appointment to the Butte County Fair Association (Fair Association)

The Fair Association advises the Board of Supervisors on matters concerning the conduct and management of the fairgrounds and the Butte County Fair. The Fair Association Board of Directors consists of eight members, five of which are appointed by each member of the Board of Supervisors to represent a supervisory district, and three additional District 4 representatives, who are appointed by the District 4 Supervisor. The term of office of each director shall coincide with the elected term of the nominating Supervisor, with the exception that two of the District 4 appointees shall serve a term which coincides with the elected terms of the District 2 and District 3 Supervisors. Supervisor Teeter has nominated Erin June-Dewell to be reappointed to the District 5 Fair Association Board, to serve a term ending January 1, 2029. (OTHER)

Action Requested - REAPPOINT ERIN JUNE-DEWELL TO THE BUTTE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD AS THE DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE A TERM ENDING JANUARY 1, 2029.

4.7 Budget Amendment and Notice to Proceed with Holt Construction, Inc. for Sheriff's Office Basement Renovation Project

The Sheriff's Office basement provides critical office space and operational functions for the Butte County Sheriff's Office. On Wednesday, April 23, 2025, a sewer line failure caused flooding that damaged interior finishes and building systems. Remediation has been completed, and the space is ready for reconstruction. The project will restore the basement to full operational use and includes targeted improvements to support current operational needs. Planned work includes construction of unisex single-occupant restrooms with showers, men's and women's locker rooms, modular meeting spaces, upgraded office areas, and new flooring. Insurance will reimburse the County for remediation and restoration of the basement to pre-flood conditions. Remediation costs to date total \$214,304. The Department of General Services selected Holt Construction, Inc. (Holt) through the FY 2025-26 Job Order Contract (JOC) program to complete the insurance-approved restorative construction in the amount of \$453,846 for a 180-day term. The Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) has approved \$500,000 in available funding to support the project which will be used by the Corrections Division including Alternative Custody Supervision and Sheriff's Work Alternative Program. The Department of General Services, in coordination with the Sheriff's Office, recommends approval of the Sheriff's Office Basement Renovation Project, a budget amendment totaling \$1,168,150, and a notice to proceed with Holt. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BASEMENT RENOVATION PROJECT; 2) APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT (4/5 REQUIRED); 3) APPROVE NOTICE TO PROCEED WITH HOLT CONSTRUCTION, INC.; AND 4) APPOINT THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES AS THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE PROJECT.

4.8 Adoption of an Ordinance and Resolution Giving Notice of an Election to Separate the Offices of Road Commissioner and Director of Public Works by Amending the Butte County Charter

The proposed ordinance and resolution call for a consolidated election to place a measure on the June 2, 2026, Statewide Primary Election ballot. This measure would amend the Butte County Charter by separating the offices of Director of Public Works and Road Commissioner so they could be held by two distinct at-will positions. While the Department was originally focused primarily on roads and bridges, its scope has expanded over several decades to include the County Surveyor, solid waste management, fleet services, administration of County Service Areas and Permanent Road Divisions, the Grading Ordinance, and Flood Plain Administrator duties. This growth has made it increasingly unwieldy for a single position to manage both the diverse administrative requirements of the entire department and the specific technical engineering mandates required of a Road Commissioner under state law. Under the proposed structure, the Board of Supervisors could appoint a registered civil engineer as the Road Commissioner to focus specifically on the safety and integrity of County infrastructure, separate from a Director of Public Works to provide broad executive oversight and budget management for the remaining duties.

The proposed ordinance and resolution seek to amend Article X, Sections 2 and 8 of the County Charter. The current structure requires that one individual must fill both roles, and the proposed structure would allow, but not require, the offices to be held by two separate individuals. This would allow the County to hire a Director of Public Works that focuses on

broad departmental leadership and a separate Road Commissioner to meet the technical requirements of the Streets and Highways Code. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - 1) ADOPT ORDINANCE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 2) ADOPT RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

4.9 Update on Department of Water & Resource Conservation Activities and Projects

The Department of Water & Resource Conservation will provide the Board of Supervisors with an update on the following water resource activities: 1) Drought Resilience Plan; 2) Feather Ridge Estates Water System Improvement Project; 3) Water Supply and Recharge; 4) Inter-basin Coordination Analysis and Modeling; 5) County participation in Sustainable Groundwater Management; and 6) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) participation and grant management. (DEPARTMENT OF WATER & RESOURCE CONSERVATION)

Action Requested - ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION.

4.10 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Board Consideration and Action

4.11 Update of Budget, Legislative, and other Current Issues by the Chief Administrative Officer

4.12 Board of Supervisors Public Comment (Continuation as needed)

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND TIMED ITEMS**

5.1 10:00 am - Public Hearing - Applications for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for the 2025 Funding Year

On August 30, 2025, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) published a CDBG Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for eligible activities including housing rehabilitation, planning and public services. Applications are due to HCD by April 3, 2026. Under the 2025 NOFA, the County is eligible to apply for two planning or public service programs for up to \$300,000 each. Staff have prepared four proposed public service options as detailed in the staff report, all of which will require an RFP except for the case management services, and recommend the Board select two:

1) Housing and Homeless Connection Center: Expand funding for the Department of Employment and Social Services' case management program to support eligible clients in securing housing.

2) Mobile Hygiene Center: Expand funding for eligible clients in unincorporated communities to access showers, restroom facilities, laundry, and haircuts.

3) Mobile Food Bank Distribution: Expand funding for food delivery to eligible clients in unincorporated communities.

4) Older Adult Home Delivery Nutrition Program: Expand funding to deliver weekly meals to eligible older adult clients.

In addition to selecting two proposed public services for a combined total of \$600,000, staff recommend applying for \$42,000 in general administration funds for staff time. With

Board direction, staff will prepare the applications and return to the Board requesting authorization of a resolution for \$642,000 before submitting to HCD by the deadline. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - SELECT TWO PUBLIC SERVICES AND DIRECT STAFF TO PREPARE APPLICATIONS FOR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT.

**6. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSED SESSION**

6.1 Public Employee Employment, Appointment, Recruitment, Performance Evaluations, Including Goals, Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

- A. Agricultural Commissioner
- B. Behavioral Health Director
- C. Chief Administrative Officer
- D. Chief Probation Officer
- E. Child Support Services Director
- F. County Counsel
- G. Development Services Director
- H. Employment and Social Services Director
- I. General Services Director
- J. Human Resources Director
- K. Information Systems Director
- L. Library Director
- M. Public Health Director
- N. Public Works Director
- O. Water & Resource Conservation Director

6.2 Actual litigation pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(1) - Three Cases

- a. S.T. v. County of Butte, Butte County Superior Court Case No: 23CV01057
- b. Robert Hopper v. Butte County; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No. ADJ18137400 (Claim Number: 1997110079)
- c. Robert Hopper v. Butte County; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No. ADJ15318337 (Claim Number: 1997110082) (COUNTY COUNSEL)

6.3 Closed Session Public Comment

**Butte County  
Department Heads**

Agricultural  
Commissioner:  
Katharine Quist

Assessor\*:  
Alyssa Douglass

Auditor-Controller\*:  
Graciela Gutierrez

Behavioral Health:  
Scott Kennelly

Chief Administrative  
Officer:  
Andy Pickett

Chief Probation Officer:  
Melissa Romero

Child Support Services:  
Elisabeth Holloway

Clerk-Recorder/  
Registrar of Voters\*:  
Keaton Denlay

County Counsel:  
Brad Stephens

Development Services:  
Paula Daneluk

District Attorney\*:  
Mike Ramsey

Employment &  
Social Services:  
Tiffany Rowe

Fire Chief:  
Garrett Sjolund

General Services:  
Dennis Schmidt, Interim

Human Resources:  
Sheri Waters

Information Systems:  
Paul LaValley

Library:  
Misty Wright

Public Health:  
Monica Soderstrom

Public Works:  
Wendy Tyler, Interim

Sheriff-Coroner\*:  
Kory Honea

Treasurer-Tax Collector\*:  
Troy Kidd

UC Cooperative  
Extension

Advisor:  
Preet Ahluwalia

Water & Resource  
Conservation:  
Kamie Loeser

\*Elected Official

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**Meeting Information:**

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3. **Regular Agenda:** This is where presentations to the Board and items that require full discussion are heard. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are discussed under this section.
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## **Board of Supervisors Agenda – Commonly Used Acronyms:**

<b>AB</b> – Assembly Bill	<b>EOC</b> – Emergency Operations Center
<b>APN</b> – Assessor’s Parcel Number	<b>EPA</b> – Environmental Protection Agency
<b>AQMA</b> – Air Quality Management Act	<b>FEIR</b> – Final Environmental Impact Report
<b>ARPA</b> – American Rescue Plan Act	<b>FEMA</b> – Federal Emergency Management Agency
<b>BCAG</b> – Butte County Association of Governments	<b>FERC</b> – Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
<b>BLUF</b> – Bottom Line Up Front	<b>FY</b> – Fiscal Year
<b>BOE</b> – Board of Equalization	<b>GP</b> – General Plan
<b>BCFD</b> – Butte County Fire Department	<b>GSA</b> – Groundwater Sustainability Agency
<b>BCGP</b> – Butte County General Plan	<b>IMP</b> – Infrastructure Master Plan
<b>BCOE</b> – Butte County Office of Education	<b>JPA</b> – Joint Powers Authority
<b>BCSO</b> – Butte County Sheriff’s Office	<b>LAFCO</b> – Local Agency Formation Commission
<b>BINTF</b> – Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force	<b>MOU</b> – Memorandum of Understanding
<b>BRCP</b> – Butte Regional Conservation Plan	<b>MUP</b> – Minor Use Permit
<b>CAL FIRE</b> – California Department of Forestry and Fire	<b>NOC</b> – Notice of Completion
<b>Cal OES</b> – California Office of Emergency Services	<b>NOP</b> – Notice of Preparation
<b>CalTrans</b> – California Department of Transportation	<b>OEM</b> – Office of Emergency Management
<b>CDBG</b> – Community Development Block Grant	<b>RCRC</b> – Rural County Representatives of California
<b>CEQA</b> – California Environmental Quality Act	<b>RFP</b> – Request for Proposals
<b>CSA</b> – County Service Area	<b>SB</b> – Senate Bill
<b>CSAC</b> – The California State Association of Counties	<b>SBFCA</b> – Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency
<b>DEIR</b> – Draft Environmental Impact Report	<b>SGMA</b> – Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
<b>DID</b> – Durham Irrigation District	<b>SHARP</b> – Self-Help Assistance and Referral Program
<b>DOT</b> – Department of Transportation	<b>TAC</b> – Technical Advisory Committee
<b>DWR</b> – Department of Water Resources	<b>YTD</b> – Year-to-date
<b>EIR</b> – Environmental Impact Report	