



# BUTTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## REGULAR AGENDA JUNE 23, 2026 9:00 AM

### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

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### 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. Assessor's Office

##### 3.1.a Resolution Increasing the Low-Value Property Tax Exemption Limit to \$5,000

Revenue & Taxation Code section 155.20 authorizes counties to exempt property when the assessed value does not justify the administrative cost of assessment and tax collection. The State Board of Equalization refers to this as the low-value exemption.

The County's current low-value exemption amount is \$2,000, established by Resolution in 1993. Based on a recent review and cost-benefit analysis, the cost of assessing and

collecting taxes on property valued below \$5,000 exceeds the revenue generated. Increasing the exemption would reduce administrative workload and allow staff to focus on higher-value assessments.

The Assessor's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution increasing the low-value property tax exemption pursuant to Revenue & Taxation Code section 155.20, setting the new exemption threshold at \$5,000. (ASSESSOR'S OFFICE)

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

### **3.2. Clerk-Recorder's Office**

#### **3.2.a Certification of Statement of Votes Cast June 2, 2026 Congressional District 1 Special Election**

Pursuant to California Elections Code section 15372, the County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters submits the certified statement of the results of the election to the Board of Supervisors. The certified statement of votes cast for Butte County for the June 2, 2026 Congressional District 1 Special Election is hereby submitted to the Board. (CLERK-RECORDER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - ACCEPT CERTIFICATION OF THE STATEMENT OF VOTES CAST FOR THE JUNE 2, 2026 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1 SPECIAL ELECTION.

### **3.3. County Administration**

#### **3.3.a Approval of Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes**

Submitted for approval are the June 9, 2026, Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE THE JUNE 9, 2026 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES.

#### **3.3.b Resolution Exempting the County of Butte from Small Claims Advisory Requirements**

California law requires that small claims advisory services be provided by counties without charge to litigants. Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 116.940(c), in a county where the number of small claims actions filed annually is 1,000 or less as averaged over the immediately preceding two fiscal years, the county may elect to exempt itself from the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 116.940(b), and instead provide small claims advisory services through a recorded phone message and small claims booklets.

On June 27, 2023, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution exempting the County from the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 116.940(b) during fiscal years 2023-24, 2024-25, and 2025-26, and provided small claims advisory services through a recorded phone message, and small claims information booklets.

The number of small claims filings in the County in FY 2023-24 was 320 and FY 2024-25 was 288, for a two-year average of 304, which is below the 1,000 annual filing threshold that would require the County to provide individual personal advisory services. The average annual claims filings over the last fifteen years is 432. County Administration recommends the Board adopt a resolution exempting the County from small claims

advisory requirements for the next three years (FY 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29). (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3.c MOU with the Butte County Law Library (BCLL) for Small Claims Advisory Services

California law requires that small claims advisory services be provided by counties without charge to litigants. Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 116.940(c), in a county where the number of small claims actions filed annually is 1,000 or less as averaged over the immediately preceding two fiscal years, the county may elect to exempt itself from the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 116.940(b), and instead provide small claims advisory services through a recorded phone message and small claims booklets. The recorded message advises litigants of the resources available at BCLL. The County provides funding to BCLL to compensate for small claims services through an MOU. The current MOU with BCLL expires on June 30, 2026. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a new MOU with BCLL to maintain the existing arrangement for small claims advisory services. The term of the MOU is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$15,000 (\$5,000 per year). (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3.d Contract between Butte County and BCAG for Federal Advocacy with The Ferguson Group (TFG)

Butte County has utilized TFG for federal legislative advocacy since 2009. Beginning in 2014, these services have been provided through a piggyback agreement with BCAGs' contract with TFG. The current contract expires June 30, 2026. Staff recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with BCAG that continues the County's relationship with both BCAG and TFG. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$63,000. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3.e Ratify Letter of Opposition for ACA 9 (Boerner) Public Utilities Commission

ACA 9 (Boerner) proposed a significant restructuring of California's utility regulatory framework by removing telecommunications from the California Constitution's definition of a public utility and eliminating the California Public Utilities Commission's constitutional authority to initiate investigations, hearings, policies, and procedures without creating a replacement system. Staff submitted a letter of opposition for inclusion in the Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee analysis for the scheduled hearing on June 8, 2026. The author has since pulled the measure. Staff recommend ratification of the letter of opposition. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - RATIFY LETTER OF OPPOSITION.

3.3.f Compensation Agreements with City of Gridley for Sale of City of Gridley Redevelopment Agency Property

The City of Gridley serves as the Successor Agency for the City of Gridley Redevelopment Agency (RDA). The Butte County Consolidated Oversight Board and the California Department of Finance approved a Long-Range Property Management Plan (LRPMP)

including the transfer of certain RDA properties to the City for future development of municipal facilities. Approval of the LRPMP required development of a new parcel map for the property and development of compensation agreements with the affected taxing entities, including County of Butte, CSA 34 - Gridley Swimming Pool, and CSA 37 - Gridley-Biggs Ambulance. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve compensation agreements allowing retention of the RDA properties by the City and agreeing to receive a pro-rata share of net proceeds if the City sells the properties.

Also pursuant to the LRPMP for the former Redevelopment Agency, in 2024, the City received approval from the Butte County Consolidated Oversight Board to sell a former RDA property in the Industrial Park area, Parcel 8 - APN 021-270-048 for \$307,620. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve compensation agreements with the City of Gridley for the Taxing Agency pro-rata shares of the sale proceeds for the County, CSA 34 - Gridley Swimming Pool, and CSA 37 - Gridley-Biggs Ambulance as determined by the Auditor-Controller's Office. The pro-rata shares include \$55,863 for the County, \$3,503 for CSA 34 and \$4,645 for CSA 37. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE COMPENSATION AGREEMENTS (6) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.3.g Amendment to Contract With MGT Impact Solutions, LLC (MGT) for State Mandated Cost Reimbursement Services

The Tax Relief Act of 1972 (SB 90) provides a process for local governments to seek State reimbursement for certain State-mandated costs. The County entered into a contract with MGT in September 2021 for the preparation of SB 90 reimbursement claims. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract amendment with MGT to extend the term by an additional year through June 30, 2027, increase the maximum payable amount by \$13,500, not-to-exceed \$77,000, and update contractor and County contact information. All other terms remain the same. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

3.3.h Letter of Support for Tort Reform

A broad coalition of organizations, including RCRC, the League of California Cities, and organizations representing school districts have prepared a coalition letter to urge the Legislature to enact meaningful tort reform for civil actions against public entities. New data released by the California Association of Joint Powers Authorities shows that public-entity liability costs have tripled in the last seven years, now exceeding \$7 billion in known exposure. Costs are on pace to grow another 70% by 2027-28. The trajectory is unsustainable with billions of dollars diverted away from public services across the state. The letter advocates for the legislature to approve comprehensive tort reform that includes defined benefits, proportional liability for economic damages and heightened evidentiary and procedural standards. Staff recommend approval of the letter which will allow Butte County to be added to the coalition letter. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE LETTER OF SUPPORT.

### **3.3.i Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization**

The Secure Rural Schools program provides funding for schools, roads, and other municipal services to rural counties across the country. Payments are divided into three distinct categories, or Titles: Title I for roads and schools, Title II for special projects, and Title III for county projects. The County has utilized Title I funds in Public Works, while Title II funds are allocated to the Resources Advisory Committee managed by the Plumas National Forest. Title III funds have been allocated to support the Butte County Fire Safe Council. In years when the Secure Rural Schools Act is reauthorized by Congress, payments are made from the US Forest Service to states, and further distributed to eligible counties.

A participating county receiving more than \$350,000 must allocate 15-20% of its share to Title II, Title III, or a combination of both, except the allocation for Title III may not exceed 7%. The estimated FFY2026 allocation for the County is \$436,860. County Administration recommends the Board of Supervisors authorize the same election percentages previously used for the County's share of the funding: 80% to Title I, 13% to Title II, and 7% to Title III. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - APPROVE SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS ELECTION PERCENTAGES.

### **3.4. County Library**

#### **3.4.a Amendment to Contract With Armed Guard Private Security, Inc**

The County Library entered into a contract with Armed Guard Private Security, Inc. in July 2024 to provide security services at Library facilities. The contract provides for unarmed standing security guard services, mobile patrols, after-hours alarm response, and immediate need security services on an as-needed basis, with the frequency and location of services determined by the operational needs of the Library. The current contract expires on June 30, 2026. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the contract amendment to extend the term by an additional three years through June 30, 2029, and increase the maximum payable amount by \$90,000, not-to-exceed \$211,556. The amendment also expands the locations eligible to receive services under the contract to include the Library's satellite locations. All other terms remain the same. (LIBRARY)

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

### **3.5. Department of Behavioral Health**

#### **3.5.a Agreement with SJBH LLC dba San Jose Behavioral Health for Managed Care Inpatient Hospitalization Services**

San Jose Behavioral Health operates a licensed 133-bed acute psychiatric hospital. Services provided by this psychiatric hospital include diagnostic assessment; psychiatric treatment; rapid stabilization and maintenance of mental health conditions; coordinated discharge planning; and transitional planning with referrals to appropriate post-hospitalization settings for clients of Butte County.

Managed care agreements are state-mandated. The State requires agreements to be fully

executed by the governing board of each psychiatric hospital before notification to the State of the contracted rates. Once an agreement is executed, all other counties contracting with the facility utilize those rates. Due to these requirements, managed care agreements are approved retroactively.

The Department of Behavioral Health recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with San Jose Behavioral Health for inpatient hospitalization services. The term of the agreement is October 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$417,000. The agreement is not specifically measured in terms of the number of clients served, as the length of stay varies based on each client's specific needs. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

3.5.b Amendments to Sacramento Behavioral Healthcare Hospital and BHC Sierra Vista Hospital, Inc. dba Sierra Vista Hospital for Managed Care Inpatient Hospitalization Services

Sacramento Behavioral Healthcare Hospital operates a licensed 117-bed acute psychiatric hospital. Sierra Vista Hospital operates a licensed 171-bed acute psychiatric hospital. Services provided by these psychiatric hospitals include diagnostic assessment; psychiatric treatment; rapid stabilization and maintenance of mental health conditions; coordinated discharge planning; and transitional planning with referrals to appropriate post-hospitalization settings for clients of Butte County.

On November 12, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with Sacramento Behavioral Healthcare Hospital. The term of this agreement is July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, not-to-exceed \$180,906. On August 13, 2025, the Department of General Services approved an amendment to extend the term by one year, through June 30, 2026. The Department recommends the Board approve an amendment with Sacramento Behavioral Healthcare Hospital to increase the maximum amount payable by \$135,000, not-to-exceed \$315,906. All other terms remain the same.

On September 30, 2025, the Board approved an agreement with Sierra Vista Hospital. The term of this agreement is September 30, 2025, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$252,632. The Department recommends the Board approve an amendment with Sierra Vista Hospital to increase the maximum amount payable by \$210,000, not-to-exceed \$462,632. All other terms remain the same. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - APPROVE (2) AMENDMENTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.5.c Amendment to MOU with the City of Chico for Opioid Settlement Funding for Sobering Center Services

In 2021, nationwide settlements were reached to resolve opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against three of the largest pharmaceutical distributors and against manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its parent company, Johnson & Johnson. Settlements to states and counties are structured to ensure restricted use for the remediation of opioid addiction, with oversight by the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Butte County expects to receive an estimated \$18 million over the 18-year period of the settlement.

On August 8, 2023, the Board of Supervisors approved an Opioid Spend Plan for submission to the DHCS. The Opioid Spend Plan included the development and operation of a low-barrier and accessible sobering center. Sobering centers serve as alternative destinations for individuals who are found to be publicly intoxicated (due to alcohol and/or other drugs) and would otherwise be transported to an emergency department or jail. Sobering centers reduce harm and provide treatment facilitation opportunities for those under the effects of acute intoxication of substances.

On June 25, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved an MOU with the City of Chico to facilitate a contribution from the City's opioid settlement funds to the County for the opening and operating of a sobering center. The term of the MOU is July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027. The City of Chico desires to extend the term of the MOU by three years, through June 30, 2030, and increase the contribution to the County by \$357,000, not-to-exceed \$714,000. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

**3.5.d Modification to Match Requirements for Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) Grant for 254 Cohasset Road**

On November 30, 2022, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) through its agent, Advocates for Human Potential (AHP), awarded a grant to Butte County in the amount of \$5,201,740 with a County match of \$469,211, to build capacity for children and youth services as well as perinatal and parenting women within the County. The grant provides a new facility for the expansion and relocation of Chico Stepping Stones and Community Counseling Center.

On April 9, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the Purchase Funding Agreement (PFA) reflecting the grant allocation and a \$469,211 cash match and adopted a resolution authorizing the Director of Behavioral Health to execute the application and program documents.

On December 5, 2025, under the technical guidance of AHP, the PFA was amended to change the match from cash to property equity, as the Department had already expended funds to purchase the building. Upon submission for reimbursement of the building purchase, AHP notified the County that a property equity match would limit the amount of the reimbursement and the full cost of the building would not be reimbursed. In order to fully reimburse the County for the building purchase, AHP requires a cash match. The Department recommends the Board approve an amendment to the PFA to revert the match back to cash. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

**3.6. Department of Employment & Social Services**

**3.6.a Contract with Disability Action Center for Adult Protective Services Prevention and Support Services**

Disability Action Center is a private, nonprofit organization founded to meet specific needs of individuals with disabilities in Northern California. The organization coordinates a variety

of prevention and support services for older and dependent adults with disabilities, designed to achieve and/or maintain independence. These services include transition services back to an individual's home or into an assisted living facility, disaster readiness and recovery services, and programs for independent living, older individuals who are blind, and individuals with traumatic brain injury. Provision of these services helps support vulnerable adults and may reduce or prevent the need for Adult Protective Services intervention.

The Department of Employment and Social Services recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the contract with Disability Action Center for Adult Protective Services Client Prevention and Support Services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028, not-to-exceed \$332,000. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

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

### **3.7. Department of General Services**

#### **3.7.a Notice of Completion and Change Order Ratification with Rock Creek Construction, Inc. (Rock Creek) for Oroville Veterans Memorial Park for All of Butte County (OVMP)**

On July 30, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with Rock Creek in the amount of \$974,411 for completion of the remaining substantial construction of the OVMP funded by a Housing and Urban Development Community Project Funding Grant and additional ARPA-related funding. The Department of General Services previously issued seventeen change orders to Rock Creek totaling \$287,514 to resolve issues with the existing construction and add improvements to OVMP, including landscape lights, camera pathways, a fence, a gate, six flag poles, bugler pedestal and statue install, security camera poles, guardrails, Merchant Marine monument install, park address sign and the military service dog pedestal and statue installation, increasing the total contract amount to \$1,261,925. Rock Creek completed all contract work, and the Department inspected and approved the project. The Department recommends ratifying the Change Orders, 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; 2) ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WORK AS COMPLETE; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

#### **3.7.b Lease Amendment with Guillon, Inc. for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Facility Space at 205 Mira Loma Drive, Suite 30, Oroville**

The EOC occupies approximately 8,035 square feet of leased office space at 205 Mira Loma Drive, Suite 30, Oroville, owned by Guillon, Inc. The current lease term expires on June 30, 2026. The proposed lease amendment exercises one of two available extension options and extends the lease term six years from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031. Monthly rent will be \$7,125 during the first year of the extension term, with annual increases of 2.5 percent beginning in year two. The Department of General Services and County Administration recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the lease amendment with Guillon, Inc. for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$452,403. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)



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

### **3.8. District Attorney's Office**

#### **3.8.a Contract with Valley Toxicology Service, Inc. (Valley Toxicology) for Forensic Toxicology Services**

Valley Toxicology is a provider of forensic alcohol and drug toxicology specimen collection, testing, reporting, and court testimony. Forensic toxicology testing for criminal evidence purposes must meet the requirements of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations. Valley Toxicology meets the licensing requirements of the State regulations. The District Attorney's Office contracts with Valley Toxicology to pick up evidence specimens directly from law enforcement agencies in the County; calibrate testing equipment including Intoxilyzers and preliminary alcohol sensor devices; provide specimen testing analysis and results for breath, blood, and solid dosage controlled substances; and provide expert witness testimony associated with the test results.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Valley Toxicology for forensic toxicology services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$634,200. (DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE)

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

### **3.9. Fire Department**

#### **3.9.a Contract with Blue Flamingo Marketing for the CDBG Butte County Fire Protection and Prevention: Community Education Expansion Project**

On May 14, 2024, the Board of Supervisors authorized submission of an application for CDBG Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Mitigation funds for the Butte County Fire Protection and Prevention: Community Education Expansion Project. The mitigation funds are available to the County as a result of the 2018 Camp Fire. The County was awarded \$1,000,000 to expand the countywide education and outreach campaign, "Be Ready, Butte!" to engage property owners on how to prevent the spread of fire by clearing defensible spaces on their property.

On December 16, 2025, the Board directed the Butte County Fire Department to revise the grant's scope and budget to add a Fire Education Specialist position to support residential visits, in addition to a marketing firm for the outreach campaign. The State approved the changes. On April 14, 2026, the Board approved the Fire Education Specialist position and recruitment is in progress.

In March 2026, the Department released an RFP for a marketing firm for the outreach campaign and received four proposals: Bodewell Group of Fresno, CA; JHB Group of Richmond, IL; Watson Creative of Bend, OR; and Blue Flamingo Group of Chico, CA. A selection committee including the Butte County Fire Department, Public Health Department, and North Valley Animal Disaster Group, selected Blue Flamingo Group as the most qualified respondent. Butte County Fire Department recommends the Board approves a contract with Blue Flamingo Group for outreach services. The term of the contract is June 23, 2026, through June 22, 2028, not-to-exceed \$458,841. (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

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

### **3.10. Probation Department**

- 3.10.a Agreement with CognisenseAI, Inc. dba Cognisen for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Software  
Cognisen provides specialized and evidence-based automation platforms designed specifically for probation and community corrections agencies. The automation platform integrates the use of AI with case management systems to streamline narrative-driven documentation, improve efficiency, and increase consistency in case records. Cognisen is currently utilized by several county probation departments and is the only identified and available vendor that provides an automation platform that will integrate with the case management system of the Probation Department and AI enhancements for report writing and record of arrests and prosecution sheet creation. Cognisen's integration with caseload management systems is fully compliant with the Criminal Justice Information Services Security Policy and includes encryption, access control and data handling auditing. The Department recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with Cognisen for AI software. The term of the agreement is upon date of execution through June 22, 2031, not-to-exceed \$464,731. The agreement is funded with Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and AB 109 funding. (PROBATION DEPARTMENT)

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

- 3.10.b Agreement with Chico State Enterprises (CSE) for Program Evaluation of the Commitment to Success Program (CSP)  
The Probation Department developed the CSP in response to California Senate Bill 823, which realigned California's juvenile justice system by ending state-level youth incarceration and transferring responsibility to counties. CSP provides individualized rehabilitative treatment and supervision for youth housed at Butte County Juvenile Hall. The goal of CSP is to improve youth outcomes, reduce institutional misconduct, and support successful community reintegration. SB 823 requires data collection and outcome-monitoring objectives.

To assess the effectiveness of the CSP data collection and outcomes, CSE will conduct an independent outcome evaluation. The evaluation will include interviews with participating youth; analysis of engagement in treatment and rehabilitative services; examination of institutional behavior and misconduct during confinement; and post-release outcomes, including recidivism where data is available. Findings will be presented in a final report. The report will provide evidence-based conclusions and recommendations to inform program improvement and future service delivery for justice-involved youth in Butte County.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with CSE for the CSP data evaluation. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$32,815. The agreement is funded with the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant. (PROBATION DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.10.c Contract with the Boys and Girls Club of the North Valley (BGC) for Juvenile Hall Services

The Probation Department contracts with BGC to provide essential programs designed to rehabilitate youth and support community reintegration. Programs include after-school activities designed to enhance academic success, workforce readiness, and promote healthy lifestyles among youth; rehabilitative services to divert youth from traditional legal pathways; and mental health and substance abuse supports to reduce recidivism. BGC facilitates restorative justice practices, resolving conflicts through mediation and community involvement to promote accountability and positive behavioral change. BGC is recognized by the Office of Youth and Community Restoration under the Probation Department's Juvenile Justice Plan, and approved for continued funding through the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act of 2000. The Department recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with BGC. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$267,046. The contract is funded by the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act. (PROBATION DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

3.10.d Contract with Northern Valley Catholic Social Service (NVCSS) for Youth Services at Juvenile Hall

The Probation Department contracts with NVCSS to provide a comprehensive range of youth services at Juvenile Hall designed to support and rehabilitate youth. Services include group sessions that incorporate cognitive-behavioral techniques to address anger management, skill development, and moral reasoning; specialized curriculum that focuses on self-awareness, trust-building, independence, and the cultivation of healthy relationships; mentorship focused on positive social interactions and pro-social development; and Hobby Hour and Book Club sessions. NVCSS programs have a shared goal to reduce recidivism and support the successful reintegration of youth into their communities. NVCSS is recognized by the Office of Youth and Community Restoration under the Probation Department's Juvenile Justice Plan, and approved for continued funding through the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act of 2000. The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with NVCSS for youth services at Juvenile Hall. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$189,069. The contract is funded by the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act. (PROBATION DEPARTMENT)

Action Requested - APPROVE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**3.11. Department of Public Works**

3.11.a Contract with St. Francis Electric, LLC for On-Call Traffic Signal Maintenance and Repair Services

The Department of Public Works issued a RFP on April 23, 2026 to establish a contract for on-call traffic signal maintenance and repair services for County-owned traffic control devices. The County currently owns and maintains 10 traffic signals, 20 driver feedback signs, 13 rectangular rapid flashing beacons, and various other flashing beacon systems throughout the unincorporated area of the County.

The RFP closed on May 14, 2026, and two proposals were received. Following an evaluation of the proposals, the Department determined that St. Francis Electric, LLC of San Leandro, California, is the most qualified firm with the experience, personnel, and

technical expertise to perform traffic signal maintenance and repair services.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with St. Francis Electric, LLC for on-call traffic signal maintenance and repair services. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through July 1, 2031, not-to-exceed \$650,000. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

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

**3.11.b Contract with Franklin Construction, Inc. for the Construction of the Dogtown Road Rehabilitation Project**

On October 28, 2025, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Department of Public Works to advertise and solicit bids for projects included in the Public Works IMP, including the Dogtown Road Rehabilitation Project. This project is located within the unincorporated community of Magalia and consists of roadway rehabilitation improvements intended to enhance public safety and extend pavement service life. The work includes clearing and grubbing, traffic control, grading, paving, Full-Depth Reclamation with Cement, storm drain facilities, striping, and signage, all in conformance with the plans, specifications, and special provisions.

This project was advertised on May 12, 2026, and six bids were received on June 2, 2026, from All-American Construction, Inc. of Sutter, Knife River Construction of Chico, Franklin Construction, Inc. of Chico, R&R Horn Contractors, Inc. of Chico, Martin Brothers Construction of Sacramento, and S.T. Rhodes Construction, Inc. of Redding. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder was Franklin Construction, Inc. of Chico, CA, with a bid of \$772,957.

The Department recommends that the Board approve the project plans and specifications, award the contract to Franklin Construction, Inc., and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the contract and order changes or additions in work performed per Public Contract Code section 20142. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; AND 2) AWARD THE CONTRACT TO FRANKLIN CONSTRUCTION, INC.; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ORDER CHANGES PER PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 20142.

**3.12. Sheriff-Coroner's Office**

**3.12.a Donation from Butte County Search and Rescue**

Butte County Search and Rescue acquired two 2026 small personal water crafts that they desire to donate to the Sheriff's Office. The personal water crafts are valued at approximately \$16,300 each (\$32,600). Search and Rescue will use the donated personal water crafts to assist the Sheriff's Office when responding to calls for service. The Sheriff's Office will assume the cost to register, maintain, and insure the personal water crafts. The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the capital asset donation. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - 1) ACCEPT CAPITAL ASSETS (2) DONATION; AND 2) ADD CAPITAL ASSETS TO CAPITAL ASSET LEDGER.

- 3.12.b Contract with LEHR Upfitters OpCo LLC (Lehr) for Law Enforcement Vehicle Upfitting  
The Sheriff's Office budgets for the replacement or purchase of law enforcement vehicles each year. Before a vehicle can be placed into service, it must be upfitted with parts and equipment, such as radios, lights, sirens, and protective barriers for prisoner transport, all of which are necessary to perform law enforcement duties. In February 2026, the Sheriff's Office released an RFP for vehicle upfitting services and Lehr was selected. The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Lehr for law enforcement vehicle upfitting. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031, not-to-exceed \$3,000,000. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

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

- 3.12.c Agreement with Chico State Enterprises for Student Legal Research Assistants (LRAs)  
The Butte County Jail is required to offer inmates LRAs to assist with legal research via computer and library book searches in the Jail Law Library. LRAs are made available at the Jail Law Library an average of 56 hours per week, conducting an inventory of Jail law books and research materials as well as material updates as appropriate. Chico State Enterprises is able to provide student LRAs, under the supervision of California State University, Chico. The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement with Chico State Enterprises for LRAs. The term of the contract is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$73,815. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

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

- 3.12.d Donation from Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC)  
In 2020, BCFSC acquired a chipper that they desire to donate to the Sheriff's Office. The chippers current value is approximately \$55,000. The Sheriff's Office Alternative Custody Supervision program participants work in the community to support wildfire mitigation efforts in coordination with BCFSC and will use the chipper to perform vegetation mitigation and fuel reduction activities. The Sheriff's Office will assume the cost to maintain and insure the chipper. The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the capital asset donation of the chipper. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - 1) ACCEPT CAPITAL ASSET DONATION; AND 2) ADD CAPITAL ASSET TO CAPITAL ASSET LEDGER.

- 3.12.e Agreements with State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for Participation in Medi-Cal County Inmate Program (MCIP)  
When an inmate requires medical care outside the jail facility, the Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the contracted medical services provider, Wellpath/California Forensics Medical Group (Wellpath), pay for the inmate's hospital stay. DHCS administers a MCIP for eligible inmates housed in county jail facilities. A MCIP allows hospitals to directly invoice the State for medical services provided to inmates who are admitted to the hospital and MCIP pays the hospital directly at Medi-Cal rates. MCIP then invoices the County for the required match funds, which varies based on treatment. DHCS requires a participation agreement and administrative services agreement for participation in MCIP.

The Sheriff's Office recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the required agreements with DHCS for participation in the MCIP. The term of both agreements is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029. The estimated amount of match funds for the participation agreement is \$30,000 per year (based on payments made to the program since November 2023) and does not include a maximum payable as match is based on actual usage of medical services by inmates. The administrative services agreement is not-to-exceed \$17,181. (SHERIFF-CORONER'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE AGREEMENTS (2) AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

### **3.13. Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office**

#### **3.13.a Butte County Treasurer Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2026-27**

The Treasurer-Tax Collector recommends approval of the Butte County Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2026-27 (Investment Policy). The Investment Policy, in accordance with Government Code sections 53600-53686, guides investment of surplus funds and funds under the custodianship of the County Treasurer. The Treasurer-Tax Collector holds and invests funds for the County, School Districts, and Special Districts. The Butte County Investment Pool Oversight Committee (Committee) is composed of Peter Durfee, District 2 Supervisor, Butte County Board of Supervisors Representative (Chair); Travis Haskill, Butte County Office of Education Senior Director of Fiscal Services, Superintendent of Schools Representative (Vice Chair); Graciela Gutierrez, Butte County Auditor-Controller; Maritza Sandoval, Special Districts Representative; and Jaclyn Kruger, Deputy Superintendent, Business for CUSD, School Districts Representative. The Committee provides oversight to the Treasurer-Tax Collector and each year considers the annual renewal of the Investment Policy prior to its submission to the Board of Supervisors. The proposed Investment Policy, by recommendation of the Committee, includes Government Code updates, SB 827 financial training requirements, and updates language on interest allocation to investment pool participants for the new fiscal year. Approval of the Investment Policy also constitutes renewal of the investment authority delegated to the Treasurer-Tax Collector by the Board. The Investment Policy was reviewed and accepted on June 9, 2026, by the Committee. The Investment Policy for fiscal year 2026-27 will become effective on July 1, 2026. (TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE)

Action Requested - APPROVE BUTTE COUNTY TREASURER STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27.

### **3.14. Other**

#### **3.14.a District Priorities Fund Application - Stepping Stones**

Supervisor Ritter recommends approval of \$2,000 in District 3 Priorities Funds to Butte County Behavioral Health Stepping Stones Program. These funds will be used to help facilitate hands on learning and art therapy tools to help improve both mental and physical wellness for pregnant and/or parenting mothers. (DISTRICT 3 SUPERVISOR)

Action Requested - APPROVE DISTRICT PRIORITIES FUND APPLICATION.

- 3.14.b District Priorities Fund Application - First 5 County Children and Families Commission  
Supervisor Ritter recommends approval of \$8,000 in District 3 Priorities Funds to First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission. These funds will be used to contract with a subject matter expert to provide up to three trainings for a variety of county staff, community organizations, and service providers who support at-risk children and youth on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder. The trainings will help increase awareness of the risks associated with prenatal alcohol exposure, strengthen prevention efforts, and improve early identification and referral processes. (DISTRICT 3 SUPERVISOR)

Action Requested - APPROVE DISTRICT PRIORITIES FUND APPLICATION.

- 3.14.c District Priorities Fund Application - Ratify Butte County Fair Project  
The Butte County Fairgrounds was awarded two District 4 Priorities Funds, Application 2 on March 24, 2026 and Application 3 on June 9, 2026. Since approval, the Fairgrounds has identified improvements to the RV electrical infrastructure as a higher priority. Supervisor Kimmelshue recommended that these awards, totaling \$8,500, be redirected to RV electrical infrastructure. (DISTRICT 4 SUPERVISOR)

Action Requested - RATIFY REVISED DISTRICT PRIORITIES FUND APPLICATION.

#### 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 Change in Designation of Delegate and Alternate Representatives to the RCRC, Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA), and Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA) Boards  
RCRC is a 40-member county service organization that supports policies on behalf of California's rural counties, the Board of Directors is composed of a member of the Board of Supervisors from each of its member counties. Historically, the Delegate chosen to serve on the RCRC Board also represents Butte County on the GSFA and GSCA Boards.

The Delegate position is currently held by Chair Connelly and Supervisor Teeter is serving as Alternate Delegate. Chair Connelly requests to step down and serve as Alternate Member, and requests the Board appoint Supervisor Teeter as Delegate for the remainder of 2026. (OTHER)

Action Requested - REDESIGNATE SUPERVISOR TEETER AS DELEGATE AND CHAIR CONNELLY AS ALTERNATE TO THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS RCRC, GSFA, AND GSCA FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2026.

4.4 Appointment to the Library Advisory Board (LAB)

The LAB was created to maintain a strategic plan, oversee fundraising, advise the Board of Supervisors, monitor technology and encourage the development and advancement of

the public library system. The LAB is composed of two representatives from each supervisory district for terms that correspond with their district Supervisor. Due to a recent resignation, a District 5 Representative seat is vacant, and Supervisor Teeter has nominated Kathryn Coots to serve the remainder of a vacant unexpired term ending January 1, 2029. (OTHER)

Action Requested - APPOINT KATHRYN COOTS TO THE BUTTE COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD AS A DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVE, TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF A VACANT UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING JANUARY 1, 2029.

4.5 Appointment to the Butte County Wastewater Advisory Committee (Wastewater Advisory Committee)

The Wastewater Advisory Committee advises the local enforcement agency on matters pertaining to onsite wastewater systems and consists of ten members composed of 9 industry experts and a member of the public to each serve 4-year terms. Lauralyn Lambert has requested reappointment to continue serving on the Committee as the Board of Realtors Representative, and if appointed, would serve a 4-year term ending May 31, 2030. (OTHER)

Action Requested - REAPPOINT LAURALYN LAMBERT TO THE BUTTE COUNTY WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS THE BOARD OF REALTORS REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE A 4-YEAR TERM ENDING MAY 31, 2030.

4.6 Appointment to the Kimsheew Cemetery District

The Kimsheew Cemetery District (District) owns and maintains four active cemeteries and various inactive pioneer and historic cemeteries. There are currently two vacancies on the District Board and one application has been received requesting appointment. The District recommends the Board of Supervisors appoint Nirvana Haver as Trustee to serve a 3-year term ending June 22, 2029. (OTHER)

Action Requested - APPOINT NIRVANA HAVER TO THE KIMSHEW CEMETERY DISTRICT AS TRUSTEE FOR A 3-YEAR TERM ENDING JUNE 22, 2029.

4.7 Contracts with Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. and Youth for Change for Facilitation Services for Children's Services

Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. and Youth for Change provide comprehensive services, support, and treatment to individuals, families, and communities. Both agencies offer a neutral forum where families can identify needs, problem-solve, and make decisions that help prevent involvement with the child welfare system. Through collaborative facilitation, Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. and Youth for Change bring together families, youth, professional partners, and natural supports to assess needs and enhance child safety. The goal is to help children avoid entering the child welfare system, remain safely at home, return home, achieve permanency, or live in the least restrictive family setting possible. From July 1, 2025, through March 30, 2026, Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. and Youth for Change facilitated over 770 of these meetings.

The Department of Employment and Social Services recommends the Board of Supervisors approve two contracts; one with Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, Inc. with a term of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$1,199,988; and one



with Youth for Change with a term of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, not-to-exceed \$1,199,988. (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - APPROVE (2) CONTRACTS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

4.8 Contract with RCI General Engineering for the Construction of the Module 5 Phase E Liner System

On October 28, 2025, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Department of Public Works to advertise and solicit bids for projects included in the Public Works IMP, including Phase Two of the Module 5 Phase E Expansion project. This project consists of subgrade preparation, landfill liner system installation, general fill placement, landfill gas collection piping, and electric leak location equipment. Work will include furnishing and installing landfill liner components and related accessories, including all labor, materials, equipment, and incidentals necessary to complete the project in accordance with the contract documents.

The project was advertised on May 26, 2026, and received three bids from Ford Construction Company, Inc of Lodi, RCI General Engineering of Oroville, and Stimpel-Wiebelhaus Associates, Inc of Redding. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder was RCI General Engineering of Oroville, CA, with a bid of \$10,989,760.

The Department recommends that the Board approve the project plans and specifications, award the contract to RCI General Engineering, and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the contract and order changes or additions in work performed per Public Contract Code section 20142. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

Action Requested - 1) AWARD THE CONTRACT; 2) APPROVE THE PROJECT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS; AND 3) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SIGN THE CONTRACT AND ORDER CHANGES PER PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 20142.

4.9 Contract Amendment with Nichols Consulting Engineers, CTHD (NCE) for On-Call Engineering Services

On December 10, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved five on-call engineering services agreements with Consor North America, Inc. of Rancho Cordova, CA; Dokken Engineering of Folsom, CA; GHD, Inc. of Roseville, CA; MAP Associates of Chico, CA; and Nichols Consulting Engineers, CTHD (NCE) of Sacramento, CA. Each agreement was issued with a term ending December 10, 2029, and a not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000. The Department subsequently issued a project-specific solicitation to the selected on-call engineering firms for engineering design and environmental review services associated with the Five-Mile Basin Project. NCE was determined to be the most qualified firm and demonstrated the strongest project approach, including an option to deliver an expedited, short-term emergency project to address immediate needs. To date, the Department has issued two task orders to NCE totaling \$475,309 for topographic surveying, engineering, and environmental services supporting the Five-Mile Basin Emergency Sediment Removal (SAFE Project), which was successfully completed in September 2025.

Following completion of the SAFE Project, the Board directed the Department to evaluate

long-term alternatives for a permanent solution at the Five-Mile Basin. To support this effort, NCE developed two additional proposed task orders totaling \$528,924. The first task order, in the amount of \$130,874, provides for ongoing performance monitoring of the SAFE Project, post-season sediment sampling, and site reconnaissance necessary to complete the anticipated summer maintenance of the basin. The second task order, in the amount of \$398,050, includes the engineering, environmental review, permitting support, and alternatives analysis necessary to develop three comprehensive project options for Board consideration. To complete this work, the Department recommends the Board amend the \$500,000 base contract with NCE to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$528,924, resulting in a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$1,028,924. This amendment will provide sufficient funding to complete the alternatives analysis, environmental review, and planning activities necessary to identify a permanent solution for the Five-Mile Basin. (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)

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

4.10 Butte County Groundwater Status Report for the 2025 Water Year

Pursuant to Chapter 33 of the Butte County Code, the Department of Water and Resource Conservation is required to collect data on groundwater levels and report to the Board of Supervisors each year on the status of groundwater conditions. The Department prepared the Butte County Groundwater Status Report (Report) for the 2025 water year, which contains an overview of the hydrologic conditions, a high-level description of conditions within each subbasin based on content in each subbasin's individual annual reports, conditions to track over the next year, and current efforts to improve groundwater resiliency throughout the County. The Report also includes GSAs subbasin reports that SGMA requires to be submitted annually to the California Department of Water Resources. The technical content of the subbasin-specific reports were reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee of the Water Commission on February 11, 2026. This is the fifth Report since the adoption of the Groundwater Sustainability Plans in the three subbasins in the County (Butte, Vina, and Wyandotte Creek). This Report meets the reporting requirements of Chapter 33. The complete Report and the appendices are available online at: <https://www.buttecounty.ca.gov/1212/Groundwater-Status-Report>. (DEPARTMENT OF WATER & RESOURCE CONSERVATION)

Action Requested - ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION.

4.11 Resolution Approving Additional CDBG Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Infrastructure Funds for Camp Fire Recovery

At the direction of the Board of Supervisors, County staff are implementing a number of projects using CDBG-DR funding as a result of the Camp Fire. In 2025, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) requested the County identify unmet needs within existing infrastructure projects that may qualify for additional funds. On December 16, 2025, the Board directed staff to request \$15,858,654 in additional funds; \$9,498,750 of which was prioritized for the consolidated Behavioral Health facilities in Paradise, Oroville, and Gridley, and Lakeridge Circle road repair in Magalia. The Board directed the balance of any additional funds to go toward the Sewerage Commission of Oroville's (SCOR) wastewater treatment plant upgrade. On May 26, 2026, HCD awarded the County \$10 million in additional funding. Staff recommend the Board adopt a resolution accepting the additional funds, allocating \$9,498,750 for County

facilities and roads, and \$501,250 for the SCOR project, and authorize the Chair to sign. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

4.12 Recommend Eligible Census Tracts For Opportunity Zones 2.0 (OZ 2.0) Designation

The Opportunity Zones program was originally established in 2017 to implement the Federal Tax Incentive. At that time, nine census tracts in Butte County were designated as Opportunity Zones. In July of 2025, Opportunity Zones 2.0 (OZ 2.0) was signed into federal law, permanently renewing and enhancing the tax incentive program. OZ 2.0 can support private investments such as commercial and industrial real estate, housing, infrastructure, and existing and start-up businesses. Corporations and individuals with realized capital gains may be eligible to invest.

On June 15, 2026, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development began accepting recommendations for OZ 2.0 designation. Local authorities, including cities and counties, may submit eligible census tracts to the State by July 25, 2026. Under OZ 2.0, there are approximately twenty likely eligible census tracts within Butte County, most of which are within incorporated jurisdictions. All nine tracts currently designated within the county are likely eligible for nomination again.

Rural tracts that are likely eligible within the unincorporated jurisdiction are tract 19 in Magalia, tract 23 in Butte Valley, and tract 24-02 from Berry Creek east to the County line. Staff recommend the Board of Supervisors consider recommending tracts 19, 23, and 24-02 for designation as Qualified Opportunity Zones, and direct staff to qualify and submit eligible tracts to the State. The Governor may then nominate up to 25% of eligible census tracts throughout California for designation as Qualified Opportunity Zones. New designations will take effect for investments made on or after January 1, 2027, and the nomination process will operate on a rolling 10-year basis. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - RECOMMEND ELIGIBLE CENSUS TRACTS FOR OZ 2.0 DESIGNATION.

4.13 Employment Contract for Director of Behavioral Health

Approval is requested for an employment contract with Tony Hobson, Ph.D., for the position of Butte County Director of Behavioral Health. The term of the contract is August 10, 2026 through August 9, 2029. The proposed annual salary is \$191,777; increasing to \$201,366 effective July 1, 2027; and \$211,434 effective July 1, 2028 consistent with scheduled County pay adjustments. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

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

4.14 Contract with BCM Construction Company, Inc. of Chico (BCM) for Construction of the New Gridley Behavioral Health Center

On August 25, 2021, Butte County applied for Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding for the purchase and/or construction of three Behavioral Health Service Facilities as part of a multi-project application. The application included sixteen projects with a total allocation of \$72,722,679. Current grant funding allocated for construction of the facility is \$8,515,335. The proposed project, located at 185 Sycamore Street in Gridley, consists of construction of a new 9,823-square-foot

integrated Behavioral Health Center on existing County-owned property adjacent to the Gridley Veteran's Memorial Hall. The new one-story facility will provide Behavioral Health services and include offices, consultation rooms, restrooms, waiting areas, and related support spaces. Site improvements include a lot line merger, identification of existing utilities and installation of new utility connections, off-street parking, monument signage, sidewalks, landscaping, and exterior site lighting. The Department of General Services subsequently issued an Invitation for Bids for construction of the project. A total of four responsive bids were received, ranging from approximately \$7.2 million to \$8 million. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder, BCM, submitted a bid in the amount of \$7,167,175. The Department of General Services recommends the Board award the construction contract to BCM in the amount of \$7,167,175, authorize the Chair to sign the contract, and appoint the Director of General Services as Officer of the Project. The contract term is 14 months from issuance of the Notice to Proceed. (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 2) APPOINT THE DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES AS OFFICER OF THE PROJECT.

4.15 Amendment and Agreement with Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (Aegis) for Narcotic Replacement Therapy

Aegis provides evidence-based Narcotic Replacement Therapy to support the successful recovery of narcotic-dependent clients. Narcotic Replacement Therapy is provided as part of a comprehensive treatment program that includes a medical evaluation and screening for diseases that are overly represented in the narcotic-dependent population. Clients are evaluated and provided counseling for medical, alcohol, criminal, and psychological problems. Narcotic Replacement Therapy is a State-mandated service and the Department of Behavioral Health is required to contract with facilities providing these services to Butte County clients.

On June 24, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with Aegis to provide Narcotic Replacement Therapy services. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, not-to-exceed \$3,287,350. Due to an increased need for services in the current fiscal year, the Department recommends the Board approve an amendment to increase the maximum payable by \$225,000, not-to-exceed \$3,512,350.

The Department recommends the Board approve a new agreement with Aegis. The term of the new agreement is July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, not-to-exceed \$3,600,000. Aegis has licensed capacity to serve up to 580 clients at any given time. This agreement is not measured by the number of clients served, as client needs vary. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE AMENDMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN; AND 2) APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

4.16 Agreement amendment with Netsmart Technologies, Inc. (NTST)

On March 27, 2007, the Board of Supervisors approved a long-term system agreement with NTST to develop, implement, and maintain an Electronic Health Record (EHR) system for the Department of Behavioral Health. The term of the agreement is specified as "upon completion of services" and was meant to cover the life of the system. The EHR

system consists of practice management; electronic clinical record storage; service billing of appropriate payers, including Medi-Cal, managed care; eligibility verification; and report writing for mental health and substance use disorder services. The EHR system fully complies with the federal confidentiality standards required by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

Due to the long-term nature of the agreement, the Department has amended the agreement annually since 2007 to add licenses, subscription fees, and modify existing software to maintain state and federal requirements. With changing State requirements for EHR systems and the age of the current EHR system, the Department is actively researching available systems and plans to pursue implementation of a new EHR system.

The Department recommends the Board approve an amendment to include additional licenses, new subscriptions, maintenance fees for existing software, and add a three-year term, ending June 30, 2029. The amendment increases the maximum payable amount by \$1,468,508, not-to-exceed \$7,384,015. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

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

#### 4.17 Behavioral Health Services Act Integrated Plan 2026-2029

In March 2024, California voters passed Proposition 1, modifying the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to become the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA). BHSA reforms county behavioral health funding by modifying eligible treatment, shifting away from prevention and community services and explicitly including stand-alone Substance Use Disorders and local housing interventions.

BHSA restructures allowable county spending into three distinct buckets: Housing Interventions, Full Service Partnerships, and Behavioral Health Services and Supports. Beginning in 2024, the Department of Behavioral Health facilitated a comprehensive community and stakeholder engagement process. This included a series of 19 community meetings across Chico, Oroville, Gridley, and Paradise; targeted focus groups; quarterly meetings with providers (specifically targeting MHSA funded programs); community surveys; and specialized work groups designed to identify local mental health and substance-use treatment needs. All meetings were publicized through local television and radio stations. This collaborative engagement continued through the development of programmatic priorities, and will remain an ongoing mechanism for evaluating service delivery. On May 20, 2026, the Butte County Behavioral Health Advisory Board voted in support of the Draft Integrated Plan.

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) requires the submission of a three-year prospective spending and service delivery plan. The BHSA integrated Plan must be submitted in draft form, as DHCS may mandate revisions prior to formal approval. The County BHSA Integrated Plan follows the strict structural formulas of the BHSA, requiring a standard allocation of 30% for Housing Interventions, 35% for Full Service Partnerships, and 35% for Behavioral Health Services and Supports. The allocation of BHSA funding for FY 2026-27 is estimated at \$23,336,306. The State-mandated shift from MHSA to BHSA requires the County to redistribute \$3,482,228 locally, impacting 11 community provider programs and 11 Department programs that do not meet BHSA

eligibility.

To protect local system capacity, the Department continues to actively engage impacted community partners, encouraging them to pursue Medi-Cal reimbursement under CalAIM and applying directly for available State grants. Technical support is available to help impacted providers evolve existing programming to align with BHSA eligibility to pursue upcoming County BHSA-funded RFPs and State BHSA prevention grants.

The Department recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the Draft Integrated Plan and authorizes the Director of Behavioral Health to sign the accountability certificate. (DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE DRAFT INTEGRATED PLAN; AND 2) AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TO SIGN THE ACCOUNTABILITY CERTIFICATE FOR THE FINAL INTEGRATED PLAN.

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

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

4.20 Board of Supervisors Public Comment (Continuation as needed)

## **5. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND TIMED ITEMS**

5.1 11:00am - Public Hearing - Butte County Fiscal Year 2026-27 Recommended Budget  
On June 9, 2026, the Board of Supervisors directed a public hearing for consideration of the Recommended Budget to commence on June 23, 2026. The Recommended Budget can be found on the County website at: [www.buttecounty.ca.gov/1427/Budget](http://www.buttecounty.ca.gov/1427/Budget). At the public hearing, staff will provide an overview of the Recommended Budget and recommended adjustments (Schedule A). At the conclusion of the public hearing, staff will request Board direction establishing the Adopted Budget for FY 2026-27. (COUNTY ADMINISTRATION)

Action Requested - 1) APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET AS ADJUSTED FOR SPENDING AUTHORITY; INCLUDING THOSE RELATED TO CAPITAL ASSETS AS IDENTIFIED ON THE CAPITAL ASSET SCHEDULE (PAGE 637-639), AND SCHEDULE A INCLUDING THE REVISED ROAD FUND WORK PROGRAM;

2) PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PREPARE A BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION ON JULY 28, 2026;

3) PROVIDE DIRECTION THAT IF THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE EXCEEDS \$32.6 MILLION, THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT WILL BE USED TO INCREASE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCIES. IF THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE IS LESS THAN \$32.6 MILLION ANY SHORTFALL WILL BE ADDRESSED BY REDUCING GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCIES, AND ANY SHORTFALL GREATER THAN THE CONTINGENCIES AMOUNT WILL BE ADDRESSED BY REDUCING THE GENERAL FUND RESERVE;

4) ACCEPT THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP BUDGET OF \$16.3

MILLION, WHICH IS INCORPORATED INTO THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET;

5) HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A 10% TRANSFER OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH 1991 REALIGNMENT REVENUES TO SOCIAL SERVICES (ESTIMATED TO BE \$1,392,710 AND \$1,039,038, RESPECTIVELY), ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFERS, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN.

**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. Nicholas Moore v. Butte County; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No. ADJ16159146 (Claim Number: 1897110118)
- b. Nicholas Moore v. Butte County; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No. ADJ16159152 (Claim Number: 2297110135)
- c. Patrick Martin v. Butte County; Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No. ADJ10599064 (Claim Number: 1597110120) (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

6.3 Workers' Compensation Liability Claims Pursuant to Gov. Code sec. 54956.95 (a) - One Claim

Nicholas Moore; Workers' Compensation Claim, Claim Number: 1897110122 (DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES)

6.4 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:  
Colt Esenwein

Sheriff-Coroner\*:  
Kory Honea

Treasurer-Tax Collector\*:  
Troy Kidd

UC Cooperative  
Extension

Advisor:  
Preet Ahluwalia

Water & Resource  
Conservation:  
Kamie Loeser

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**Information and Procedures Concerning the Agenda and Board of Supervisors Meetings**

**Meeting Information:**

Meetings are generally held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings start at 9:00 a.m. and are held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administration Building, 25 County Center Drive, Oroville. At the end of each year the Board adopts a meeting schedule for the upcoming year. Meeting dates can be changed as a result of holidays or other events so please check the meeting calendar to be certain. Copies of the adopted meeting calendar for the year are available in the County Administrative Office or on the Clerk of the Board website page.

**Agenda Information:**

The agenda for every meeting of the Board is posted in front of the County Administration Building at least 72 hours before each meeting, and is available by mail subscription, e-mail subscription, or at the Clerk of the Board website. A copy of the agenda and supporting materials provided to the Board of Supervisors members to explain each agenda item (excluding documents that are not a public record within the meaning of the Public Records Act) are available for your review at the County Administrative Office, the Chico, Oroville, and Paradise libraries (please do not remove items from these files), and at the Clerk of the Board website. Copies of supporting materials can be made for you at a charge to cover costs. The list of communications included with the agenda packages is not comprehensive. Additional communications to the Board of Supervisors may have been received but not included in the agenda supporting material. Copies of all communications received by the Board of Supervisors (excluding documents that are not a public record within the meaning of the Public Records Act) are available at the County Administrative Office upon request.

**Agenda Format and Meeting Order:**

The agenda is usually organized into the following areas and meetings generally proceed in the following order:

1. **Consent Agenda:** These items are considered routine and are handled by one motion and vote of the Board. If you wish to discuss any item on the Consent Agenda you can either fill out a speaker card (located in the back of the board room) and give it to the Clerk of the Board (sitting to the right of the Board) or, when the Chair asks if there is anything anyone would like to remove from the Consent Agenda, stand and approach the podium and request the item be removed. The removed items are discussed at the end of the Regular Agenda.
2. **Public Comment:** This is the area of the agenda where members of the audience may address the Board on any matter not listed on the agenda. The Board, by law, cannot take action on any matter not listed on the agenda, but may respond to statements or questions and provide staff direction. Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes, and may be adjusted at the discretion of the Chair.
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.
4. **Public Hearing and Timed Items:** This is where items that are required by law to be heard as a public hearing are set. This is the section where appeals before the Board are usually discussed. Hearings may start after the time listed, but will never start before the time listed.
5. **Closed Session:** The Board is authorized, by law, to meet in a closed session in certain circumstances. This area of the agenda identifies those items that will be discussed during the Closed Session.

**Public Participation:**

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors, and a requirement of the California Open Meetings Law, to allow members of the public the opportunity to comment on all matters before the Board. Public participation is limited to matters within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3. The Board of Supervisors is also committed to making its proceedings accessible to all residents. Individuals with special needs should call the Clerk of the Board at 530.552.3300, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to request disability-related modifications/accommodations, or to request materials in alternate formats. All requests for special accommodations and/or alternative format documents must be made 48 hours prior to the meeting.

**Disclosure of Campaign Contributions**

Pursuant to Government Code section 84308, members of the Board of Supervisors are disqualified and not able to participate in any agenda item involving contracts (other than competitively bid, labor, or personal employment contracts), franchises, discretionary land use permits and other entitlements if the Board member received more than \$250 in campaign contributions from the applicant or contractor, an agent of the applicant or contractor, or any financially interested participant who actively supports or opposes the County's decision on the agenda item since January 1, 2023. Members of the Board of Supervisors who have received, and applicants, contractors or their agents who have made, campaign contributions totaling more than \$250 to a Board member since January 1, 2023, are required to disclose that fact for the official record of the subject proceeding. Disclosures must include the amount of the campaign contribution and identify the recipient Board member and may be made either in writing to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors prior to the subject hearing or by verbal disclosure at the time of the hearing.

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## **Board of Supervisors Agenda – Commonly Used Acronyms:**

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <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>USDA</b> – United States Department of Agriculture    |
| <b>EIR</b> – Environmental Impact Report                     | <b>YTD</b> – Year-to-date                                |