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Vina Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SHAC) Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

Location: Butte County Library, Chico Branch, 1108 Sherman Avenue, Chico, CA 95926

MEETING MINUTES

March 25, 2026

1. Call to Order and Roll Call - meeting called to order at 9:04 AM

Committee Members Present: Greg Sohnrey, Joanne Parsley, Anne Dawson, Susan Schrader, Patrick Riley, Evan Markey, and Todd Greene

RCRD Representative Present: Bruce McGowen

Committee Members Absent: Samantha Lewis and Holly Swan

Staff Present: Kamie Loeser - Director, Butte County Water & Resource Conservation, Christina Buck – Assistant Director, Butte County Water & Resource Conservation

a. Election of Chair and Vice Chair.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Greg Sohnrey made a motion to elect Samantha Lewis as Committee Chair. Joanne Parsley seconded that motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Anne Dawson made a motion to elect Greg Sohnrey as Vice Chair. Joanne Parsley seconded that motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Business from the Floor

The public and Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SHAC) members had an opportunity to comment on items not on the agenda and that are relevant to the SHAC.

Public Comment:

Jim Brobeck

3. *Review and Approval of 12/3/2025 SHAC Meeting Minutes

Public Comment: None

Motion: Evan Markey made a motion to approve the 12/3/25 SHAC meeting minutes. Todd Greene seconded that motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. ***Annual Status of the Vina Subbasin Brochure**

The SHAC received a presentation on the Annual Status of the Vina Subbasin brochure for the 2025 water year which highlights information contained in the 2025 Annual Report developed per Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGMA) requirements. **(Report – Eddy Teasdale, Luhdorff & Scalmanini, Consulting Engineers)**

Public Comment:

Greg Brislan

Jim Brobeck

Action: Accepted as information. Committee member Parsley requested additional SubStats to hand out to the community.

5 ***Consideration of Approach to Projects and Management Actions for the GSP Periodic Evaluation**

The SHAC received a presentation on Projects and Management Actions (PMAs) as part of the Vina Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Periodic Evaluation work. The presentation reviewed the PMAs identified in the 2022 Vina GSP and introduce a proposed approach for categorizing PMAs to improve tracking and reporting in future Annual Reports and the Periodic Evaluation. The discussion focused on identifying projects that represent the GSA's Plan Implementation strategy and distinguishing them from other projects that may provide ancillary groundwater benefits. **(Report – Christina Buck, Butte County; Ryan Fulton, Larry Walker Associates)**

Public Comment: None

Action: Accepted as information.

6. **Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program Project Recap Presentations**

6.1 *Feasibility of Enhanced Recharge in the Lindo Channel - Project Recap

The SHAC received a final project update on the Lindo Channel Groundwater Recharge Alternative Feasibility Analysis, including field results, modeling, recharge potential, flow thresholds, and potential infrastructure, permitting, and operational considerations for future implementation. The study concludes March 31, 2026. **(Report – Becky Fairbanks, GSA Project Manager; Joe Turner, Geosyntec; David Jaffee, West Yost Associates)**

Public Comment:

Jim Brobeck

Action: Accepted as information.

6.2 *Demand Reduction Strategies Project Recap

The SHAC received a presentation of the main outcomes from the Demand Reduction Strategies two pilot projects: Extended Orchard Replacement and Precision Irrigation. The study concludes March 31, 2026. **(Report – Tovey Giezentanner, AGUBC Project Manager; Joel Kimmelshue, Land IQ)**

Public Comment:

Greg Brislain

Action: Accepted as information.

6.3 *Surface Water Supplies Feasibility Analysis Recap

The SHAC received a presentation on the main outcomes from the feasibility analysis of two water supply projects: 1. South Vina Extension - would utilize Western Canal Water District or Table A water to irrigate parcels in south Vina, 2. Ridge to Valley – would utilize Paradise Irrigation District water to irrigate parcels along Comanche Creek south of Chico. The report is available on the project [webpage](#).
(Report – Christina Buck, Butte County; Maddie Munson, Water and Land Solutions)

Public Comment: None

Action: Accepted as information.

6.4 *Inter-Basin Coordination Analysis Recap

The SHAC received a presentation on highlights from the Joint Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Evaluation for the North Sacramento River Corridor as reported in the finalized Technical Memo and webinar available online: [Inter-Basin Coordination Analysis and Modeling Project - Implemented by Butte County - Vina Groundwater Sustainability Agency](#). **(Report – Christina Buck, Butte County)**

Public Comment:

Jim Brobeck

Action: Accepted as information.

7. **GSA Program Manager Update** *(Verbal Report – Kamie Loeser, Management Committee on behalf of the Program Manager)*
8. **SHAC Future Agenda Requests** – SHAC members may verbally request an item to be agendaized at a future meeting. After stating what the item would be, a majority vote of the SHAC is needed in order for the Management Committee to agendaize the item. SHAC members may also submit requests in writing to the GSA Program Manager to bring forward to the SHAC for consideration on a future agenda.

No SHAC Future Agenda Requests

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned to their next meeting, **Wednesday, April 22, 2026.**

*Materials included in agenda packet