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

Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

Location: Chico City Council Chamber, Conference Room #1, 421 Main Street, Chico, CA.

MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2026

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call** - the meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM

SHAC Committee Members Present: Greg Sohnrey, Anne Dawson, Holly Swan, Patrick Riley, Evan Markey, Todd Greene (arrived late), Susan Schrader (arrived late)

SHAC Committee Members Absent: Joanne Parsley and Samantha Lewis

RCRD Representative Present: Hal Crain (arrived late)

Staff Present: Dillon McGregor, GSA Program Manager; Becky Fairbanks, SGM Grant Project Manager; Kamie Loeser, Director of Butte County Water Resource & Conservation; Christina Buck, Assistant Director of Butte County Water Resource & Conservation; Brandon Mortimer, City of Chico

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 were relevant to the SHAC. Committee members and Management Committee staff are not required to respond to any issues raised during the public comment period. Commenters are asked to respect differing perspectives and to keep remarks within three minutes.

3. ***Review and Approval of 3/25/2026 SHAC Meeting Minutes**

Public Comment(s): None

Motion: Anne Dawson made a motion to approve the 3/25/26 meeting minutes. That motion was seconded by Evan Markey.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Greg Sohnrey, Anne Dawson, Holly Swan, Patrick Riley, and Evan Markey

ABSENT: Todd Greene, Susan Schrader, Joanne Parsley and Samantha Lewis

4. **Update on the Status and Anticipated Timeline for the Vina Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Periodic Evaluation**

Staff provided an update on the anticipated topics and timelines over the next several months related to the Periodic Evaluation. **(Verbal Report – Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation)**

Public Comment: None

Action: Accepted as information.

5. Review of Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant-Funded Projects - Status and Next Steps

Staff provided an overview of the status of each SGM grant-funded project and the process for public to submit comments on any of the reports produced by the grant-funded work. **(Verbal Report – Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation and Becky Fairbanks, GSA Project Manager)**

Public Comment(s): None

Action: Accepted as information.

6. *Consideration of a Well Mitigation Program in the Vina Subbasin

Presentation and discussion of options, considerations, and SHAC input to inform the Vina GSA's approach and timing for a Well Mitigation Program, including whether to describe an active program or a trigger-based standby framework as part of the Periodic Evaluation. **(Report – Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation)**

Public Comment(s):

- Greg Brislain
- Ted Sandrawski
- Claudia Rawlins
- Tovey Giezentanner
- Cheetah Tchudi

Motion: Todd Greene made a motion recommending the Periodic Evaluation describe the following regarding the Domestic Well Mitigation management action: during the next implementation period, the GSA will develop a Well Mitigation Program that fits the needs of the subbasin. The motion was seconded by Anne Dawson.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Greg Sohnrey, Anne Dawson, Susan Schrader, Holly Swan, Patrick Riley, Todd Greene and Evan Markey

ABSENT: Joanne Parsley and Samantha Lewis

A second recommendation was made, as follows:

Motion: Evan Markey made a motion to recommend that the GSA Board dedicate funding in the FY 2026–27 Annual Budget to initiate the development of a Well Mitigation Program in early 2027. The motion was seconded by Todd Greene.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Greg Sohnrey, Anne Dawson, Susan Schrader, Holly Swan, Patrick Riley, Todd Greene and Evan Markey

ABSENT: Joanne Parsley and Samantha Lewis

7. GSA Program Manager Update (Verbal Report – Dillon McGregor, GSA Program Manager)

The program manager provided an update on the following topics:

1. Proposed FY26-27 Budget and fees coming to Board in May
2. RFP for Vina GSA Ongoing SGMA Implementation Support Services
3. Board Alternate for the Non-Agricultural Domestic Well Stakeholder Representative Vacancy

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 requests were made.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 10:45 AM to their next meeting, **Wednesday, May 27, 2026.**