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

Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

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

Or via Zoom

MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2026

1. Call to Order and Roll Call, Called to order at 9:05 AM

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

Committee Members Absent: Samantha Lewis and Holly Swan

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

2. Business from the Floor

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

Public Comment(s): Jim Brobeck

3. *Review and Approval of 5/27/2026 SHAC Meeting Minutes

Public Comment(s): None

Action: Committee Member Markey made a motion to approve the 5/27/2026 meeting minutes. That motion was seconded by Committee Member Schrader.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Greg Sohnrey, Joanne Parsley, Susan Schrader, Patrick Riley, Evan Markey, and Todd Greene

NOES: None

ABSENT: Samantha Lewis and Holly Swan

ABSTAIN: Anne Dawson

4. *Recharge Feasibility Analysis Project Recap

The Committee received a presentation on the main outcomes from the Recharge Feasibility Analysis, a SGM grant funded effort to identify opportunities to enhance recharge in the Vina subbasin. The study's reports are

available on the project [webpage](#). (*Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation and Joe Turner, Geosyntec Consultants*)

Public Comment(s): Greg Brislain

Action: Accepted as information.

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

Staff provided an update on the anticipated topics and timelines over the next several months related to the Periodic Evaluation and Plan Amendments as well as a review of related webpages and interactive maps available to support the discussions. (*Report, Becky Fairbanks, GSA Project Manager*)

Public Comment(s): None

Action: Accepted as information.

6. ***North Sacramento River Corridor (NSRC) Interbasin Coordination Framework Update and Regional Interconnected Surface Water Initiative**

The Vina Subbasin participates in the North Sacramento River Corridor (NSRC) Interbasin Coordination (IBC) effort, a collaborative program among seven hydrologically connected subbasins in the Northern Sacramento Valley. Staff presented an update on the NSRC IBC Framework 5-Year Implementation Update, which guides regional coordination through the 2027 Periodic Evaluations and beyond. The presentation also covered a proposed regional approach to interconnected surface water management, the corridor's current top coordination priority and a shared regulatory obligation across all seven NSRC subbasins. (*Dillon McGregor, GSA Program Manager and Christina Buck, Assistant Director, Butte County Water & Resources Conservation*)

Public Comment(s): Jim Brobeck

Action: Accepted as information. Multiple committee members emphasized the importance of the NSRC IBC group adopting a conflict resolution policy.

7. ***Introduction to the Groundwater Level Strawman Proposal including discussion of the proposed 2027 Representative Monitoring Site (RMS) Network and recent analysis of Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDE) in the Vina Subbasin**

Staff presented an overview of the recently released Groundwater Level Sustainability Indicator strawman proposal (an initial draft created to jump-start discussion serving as a starting point for collaborative refinement). The presentation included relevant context including recent and historical groundwater level conditions, evaluation of the groundwater monitoring network, and recent analysis contributing to characterization of Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems in the Vina Subbasin. SHAC discussed and provided feedback on the monitoring network aspects of the strawman proposal. More in-depth discussion and input on Minimum Thresholds and Sustainable Management Criteria will occur in July. (*Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation*)

Public Comment(s): None

Action: The SHAC members present reached consensus expressing support for increasing the number of wells designated as RMS wells, as described in the strawman proposal. The SHAC all agreed that the GSA should further explore LMLs, with multiple members wanting to find ways to add more teeth to the LMLs.

8. ***Update and Discussion of Sustainable Yield, Groundwater Extraction and Change in Storage Calculations to Guide Periodic Evaluation Content Development**

The Committee received an overview of how sustainable yield, groundwater extraction, and change in groundwater storage have been estimated in the Vina Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan and recent Annual Reports. The discussion provided context for addressing Department of Water Resources comments through the upcoming Periodic Evaluation and provided an opportunity for questions and SHAC input on the proposed approach going forward. **(Christina Buck, Asst. Director Butte County Water and Resource Conservation)**

Public Comment(s): Greg Brislain

Action: Accepted as information.

9. GSA Program Manager and Management Committee Update (Verbal Report, Dillon McGregor, GSA Program Manager and Management Committee Staff)

- Butte County, Environmental Health Well ordinance and Septic survey
- Butte County Drought Resilience Plan
- Budget amendments going to the Board
- SGMA Fee
- Request for Proposals

10. SHAC Future Agenda Requests

SHAC members could verbally request an item to be agendized at a future meeting.

Requests: None

11. Adjournment:

The Committee adjourned at 11:05 AM to their next meeting, **Wednesday, July 22, 2026.**

*Materials included in agenda packet