

## BUTTE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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## NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Public Agencies, Affected Landowners, Owners of property and Registered

Voters located within 300 feet of proposed project, and Interested Persons

**FROM:** Butte Local Agency Formation Commission

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – August 3, 2023

NOTICE MAILED: July 13, 2023

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a hearing will be held by the Butte Local Agency Formation Commission to consider the proposed reorganization initiated by the Butte Water District for the project described below.

## LAFCo File 23-15 – Butte Water District – Biggs-West Gridley Reorganization

The Commission will consider a proposal from the Butte Water District Board of Directors that includes 1) A request to amend the Sphere of Influence for the Butte Water District and 2) The annexation of five parcels to the Butte Water District. Staff recommends that the proposal be modified to include 3) Amend the Sphere of Influence for the Biggs-West Gridley Water District and 4) Detach three parcels from the Biggs-West Gridley Water District. The proposed reorganization would support the efficient delivery of irrigation water to the parcels to maintain ongoing agricultural uses. The parcels involved are generally located on the west side of Butte County, near the cities of Biggs and Gridley. This project is exempt from environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15319.

At this hearing, the Commission may either approve or disapprove this proposal or continue it to a future meeting. The Commission has the authority to amend the boundaries either to include additional parcels within proximity to the project site or to exclude properties if supported by reasonable and substantial evidence that the modification is consistent with state law and Commission policies. The Commission may also impose conditions upon the project. Unless written opposition of the proposal is received before the conclusion of the commission proceedings on the proposal, Butte LAFCo intends to waive protest proceedings pursuant to California Government Code Section 56663. Previously authorized taxes, assessments, charges and fees of the Butte Water District could be extended to the properties subject to the proposed annexation.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, August 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Oroville City Council Chambers located at 1735 Montgomery Street, Oroville, CA. The proposal staff report may be examined five days before the hearing at 1453 Downer Street, Suite C, Oroville, CA, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or on the Butte LAFCo website located at www.buttelafco.org, or at your local branch of the Butte County Library. For more information, please contact Shannon Costa, Deputy Executive Officer, at (530) 538-7151.