

**BUTTE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given by the Butte Local Agency Formation Commission that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., in the City of Oroville Council Chambers, located at 1735 Montgomery Street, Oroville, CA, regarding the following:

**ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS
OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 56000, et. seq.**

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.

The Commission will consider oral and written statements by any interested person or affected agency as well as the report of the Executive Officer. 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 to either include additional parcels contiguous to the project site or to exclude properties if supported by reasonable and substantial evidence that the modifications are consistent with state law and Commission policies. The Commission may also impose conditions upon the project. Objections to the regularity or sufficiency of the preliminary proceedings or the reasons why you are in opposition to the proposal must be in writing. Any objections must be filed with the Executive Officer or Commission prior to the conclusion of the hearing. Previously authorized taxes, assessments, charges and fees of the Butte Water District could be extended to the properties subject to the proposed annexation.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 56663, Butte LAFCo intends to waive protest hearing unless written opposition to the proposal from landowners or registered voters within the affected territory is received before the conclusion of the proceedings on the proposal.

Information regarding this project is on file and available for public viewing at the office of the Local Agency Formation Commission, 1453 Downer Street, Suite C, Oroville, CA 95965, or can be obtained by calling Shannon Costa, Deputy Executive Officer at (530) 538-7151, Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.