

Robert Burroughs, District 1
Tom Walker, District 2, Chairman
Steve Zane, District 3
Matt Hansen, District 4
Greg Jones, District 5, Vice Chair



Gabriel Hydrick
Chief Administrator

Margaret Long
County Counsel

Sean Houghtby
Clerk of the Board
(530) 527-3287

Present: Supervisor Matt Hansen, Supervisor Steve Zane, Vice Chair Greg Jones, and Chairperson Tom Walker
Absent: Supervisor Rob Burroughs

9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Walker presided. Present in the chambers were Clerk of the Board Sean Houghtby by Deputy Jillian Kelly, County Counsel Margaret Long by Senior Deputy County Counsel Daniel Klausner, and Chief Administrator Gabriel Hydrick.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A resident said a prayer and invited the public to the National Day of Prayer on May 7th.

A resident a Bible passage.

A resident gave an update on their small homestead and business.

A resident spoke about past crimes and issues a local school is facing.

A resident presented the final report from the Small Community Drought Relief Program, Glenn & Tehama County Emergency Water Hauling Project.

A resident from Lake California came to ask the Board for support in getting their road fixed and widened.

A resident welcomed the new Director of Public Works and echoed the need for attention on Lake California Drive.

A resident spoke about their mobile home park being up for sale.

A resident asked about Department Heads being able to use their budgets.

A resident commented on the current Chair of the Board.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CORRECTIONS

None

PREVIOUS REPORTABLE ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

- 22. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0463**
a) PERSONNEL / PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957)
Title: Part One of the Chief Administrator Annual Performance Evaluation Process
Reportable Action: Part One of the Evaluation completed
- 23. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0468**
a) PERSONNEL / PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957)
Title: Senior Deputy County Counsel
Reportable Action: Evaluation completed
- 24. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0505**
a) EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Negotiators: Che Johnson & Coral Ferrin
Employee Organization: Joint Council of IUOE, Local 39
Reportable Action: Direction given to negotiators
- 25. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0506**
a) EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Negotiators: Che Johnson & Coral Ferrin
Employee Organization: Deputy Sheriffs Association
Reportable Action: Direction given to negotiators
- 26. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0507**
a) EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Negotiators: Che Johnson & Coral Ferrin
Employee Organization: Probation Officers Association
Reportable Action: Direction given to negotiators
- 27. CLOSED SESSION** **26-0508**
a) EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
Agency Negotiators: Che Johnson & Coral Ferrin
Employee Organization: Management Employees Association
Reportable Action: Direction given to negotiators

28. CLOSED SESSION

26-0585

a) EXISTING LITIGATION - Conference with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9, subdivision (d)(1) concerning litigation that has been formally initiated. The case name is National Prescription Opiate Litigation, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Case No. 1:17-md-02804-DAP

Reportable Action: Direction given to staff

29. CLOSED SESSION

26-0606

a) ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Government Code Section 54956.9 subdivision (d)(2)) (one case)

Reportable Action: Direction given to staff / No reportable action

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEE

Personal Procedures & Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee- Has not met.

City of Red Bluff/Tehama County Ad Hoc Committee- Has not met.

REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED INCLUDING AB1234

Supervisor Hansen- Glenn County Groundbreaking Ceremony, Candidates Meet & Greet in Corning; Met with Chief Administrator Gabriel Hydrick, Assessor Burley Phillips, Planning Director Jessica Martinez, and The Rolling Hills Tribe; met with Chief Administrator Gabriel Hydrick and Air Pollution Control Officer Joe Tona, Candidates Night in Red Bluff.

Supervisor Zane- Candidates Nights in Corning and Red Bluff, Tehama Junior Livestock Auction, Tehama County Cattlemen's Association Awards & Exhibitor.

Vice Chair Jones- None.

Chair Walker- Candidates Night in Red Bluff, Tehama District Fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

Ag Commissioner Thomas Moss spoke about developing a pilot project for Tehama County to safely dispose of ag pesticides and chemicals. Mr. Moss attended two meetings last week regarding a wolf liaison possibility for several counties in the North State. Lastly, Mr. Moss presented facts about an upcoming senate bill, SB 1327. The bill has to do with electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and changing the jurisdiction under which they fall; Mr. Moss asked for a letter of opposition from the Board on this matter.

County Librarian Alicia Meyer presented an award the library was given by the Delta Kappa Gamma Society and spoke about their success at the Tehama County Fair with multiple science projects and hands on STEAM activities.

Health Services Agency Executive Director Jayme Bottke thanked Supervisor Hansen for his support and involvement with an ongoing project and grant funding amendment issues.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jones, seconded by Supervisor Zane, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

RESULT: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA
MOVER: Greg Jones
SECONDER: Steve Zane
AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker
ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

1. **GENERAL WARRANT REGISTER - 4/12/26 - 4/18/26** **26-0638**
2. **AUDITOR'S CLAIMS** **26-0635**
 - a) Court Operations, 2026-53221, Benjamin E. Magid, \$736.00
 - b) Court Operations, 2026-53221, Benjamin E. Magid, \$2,992.00
 - c) Court Operations, 2017-53230, Kent Caruso, Ph. D., \$1,250.00
 - d) Court Operations, 2026-53221, Shannon Bowlin, \$2,800.00
3. **FIRE** **26-0632**
 - a) Request to award the bid for thirty (30) new KNG M150 mobile radios and thirty (30) BKR 5000 portable radios including accessories and components to Leavitt Communications, LLC as the low responsive bidder in the amount of \$179,720.90; and to further authorize the Purchasing Agent to sign a purchase order for the acquisition
5. **HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY / PERSONNEL** **26-0648**
 - a) OTHER THAN "A" STEP - Request approval to appoint the applicant as a Behavioral Health Clinician I, Range 39, Step B, effective 5/17/26, or upon successful completion of all pre-employment requirements
6. **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** **26-0646**
 - a) Determine that there is a need to continue the Emergency Proclamation, proclaiming the existence of the local emergency in Tehama County that caused conditions of peril
7. **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** **26-0649**
 - a) LETTER - Request approval and authorization for the Chair to sign the revised letter of opposition to the Vehicle Mileage Tax (VMT)
8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **26-0665**
 - a) Waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meetings held:
 - 1) 3/17/26
 - 2) 3/24/26
 - 3) 4/7/26

REGULAR AGENDA

9. **BUILDING DEPARTMENT - Building Official Patrick Ewald** **26-0614**

a) PROCLAMATION - Request adoption of a Proclamation proclaiming May 2026 as Building & Safety Month in Tehama County

Office Manager Angela Ford presented the Proclamation.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Matt Hansen

SECONDER: Greg Jones

AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker

ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

10. **HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY - Executive Director Jayme Bottke** **26-0651**

a) PROCLAMATION - Request adoption of a Proclamation proclaiming May 2026 as Mental Health Month in Tehama County

Health Services Agency Executive Director Jayme Bottke introduced NAMI Club Advisor, Darbie Andrews, and Red Bluff High School Mental Health Advocates & NAMI Club Members, Tait Calzada, Jeremiah Staton, and Trinity Ponce, who then read the Proclamation.

Fernando Villegas invited the public to a Mental Health and Wellness Fair taking place on Saturday, May 8th, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mrs. Bottke introduced Natalie Shepard, Mental Health Director, and Travis Lyon, Mental Health Services Act Coordinator, and offered them congratulations on submitting a plan to the state that will open up many additional services to the area.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Matt Hansen

SECONDER: Steve Zane

AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker

ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

11. **PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRICAL COMPANY - Local Government** **26-0631**

Affairs Representative David Maung

a) INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION - Overview of PG&E's available affordability programs and cost saving efforts

PG&E Local Government Affairs Representative David Maung answered a variety of questions from the Board in response to his presentation.

12. FACILITIES MAINTENANCE - Director Levi A. Conner 26-0636

a) INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION - Overview and proposal regarding the potential installation of electrical service to support lighting for the flagpole at the Old Courthouse

Mr. Conner answered various questions from the Board, followed by a discussion on possible steps forward.

4. PROBATION 26-0620

a) AGREEMENT - Request approval and authorization for the Chief Probation Officer to sign the Agreement with Inmate Phone Services (ITS), to provide secure and reliable local and long-distance telephone service to inmates at the County's Juvenile Detention Facility, in which ITS will pay the County a 30% commission of the gross revenues received each month, maximum compensation shall not exceed \$30,000, effective 1/1/26 and shall terminate 12/31/26

Pastor Scott asked about the current system for inmates to make calls and who pays the revenue to generate the commission.

Michael Keough echoed Pastor Scott's question and further questioned the retroactive agreement dates.

Item #4 was moved to a later spot in the Agenda, pending a response from the Probation Department.

Deputy Chief Probation Officer Clayton Bennet arrived to help clarify information about the item and explained the regulations and what the Department is required to provide the Juveniles in order to comply.

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Matt Hansen
SECONDER: Greg Jones
AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker
ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs
Enactment No: MISC. AGR 2026-099

13. SOCIAL SERVICES - Director Bekkie F. Emery 26-0647

a) AGREEMENT - Request approval and authorization for the Social Services Director or Designee to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Partnership Health Plan of California (MCP) and County of Tehama, for the coordination of services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries effective as of the date of last signature for a term of three years

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Greg Jones
SECONDER: Steve Zane
AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker
ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs
Enactment No: MISC. AGR 2026-100

14. TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR - Treasurer/Tax Collector Parker R. 26-0583

Hunt

a) ORDINANCE - Request the adoption of an ordinance adding Section 2.07.050 to Chapter 2.07 of the Tehama County Code, delegating administrative responsibilities of the Tehama County Employee Deferred Compensation Plan

- 1) Waive the first reading
- 2) Accept the introduction

Treasurer/Tax Collector Parker Hunt answered Supervisor Jones' question regarding SB 707 and Brown Act regulations.

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Greg Jones

SECONDER: Steve Zane

AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker

ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

15. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - Chief Administrative Officer Gabriel 26-0576

Hydrick

a) ORDINANCE- Request the adoption of an ordinance amending Ordinance No.1922 under Tehama County Code §2.02.020(C) - Compensation to replace the existing \$500 monthly automobile allowance with a flat monthly allowance equal to the value of one thousand (1,000) miles at the County's adopted Internal Revenue Service (IRS) standard mileage reimbursement rate

- 1) Waive the first reading
- 2) Accept the introduction

RESULT: APPROVE

MOVER: Greg Jones

SECONDER: Steve Zane

AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker

ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Walker- Submit a letter of opposition on behalf of the Board regarding SB 1327, which affects the Ag Department (consensus)

RECESS 10:51 A.M.

CLOSED SESSION

17. CLOSED SESSION

26-0254

a) PERSONNEL / PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957)

Title: Part Two of the Chief Administrator Annual Performance Evaluation Process

RECONVENE 1:30 P.M.

1:30 P.M.

16. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT / CODE ENFORCEMENT

26-0611

- Code Enforcement Officers Clint Weston and Ron Robbins

a) Request that the Board of Supervisors adopt the recommended decision of the Planning Commission declaring the existence of a public nuisance on the property, ordering the abatement thereof; and directing an itemized accounting of the costs incurred in abating the public nuisance without further notice of hearing

Owner: Frank Johnson
Site Address: 5639 Hwy 99W, Corning
APN: 069-040-019 (District 4)
Case No: CE-26-6, Abatement Notice

b) In the event that such nuisance is not abated by the owner or occupant as set forth above, the enforcing officer shall abate, or cause to be abated, the public nuisance(s) in the manner set forth in Tehama County Code section 10.16.130, and shall keep an itemized account of the costs incurred by the County to abate the nuisance, to be charged against the Premises and against each person who causes, permits, suffers, or maintains the public nuisance to exist, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 10.16 of the Tehama County Code

Mr. Robbins answered a variety questions from the Board in regard to the property and current owner.

RESULT: APPROVE
MOVER: Matt Hansen
SECONDER: Greg Jones
AYES: Supervisor Hansen, Supervisor Zane, Vice Chair Jones, and Chairperson Walker
ABSENT: Supervisor Burroughs

REPORTABLE ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

17. CLOSED SESSION 26-0254

a) PERSONNEL / PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957)

Title: Part Two of the Chief Administrator Annual Performance Evaluation Process

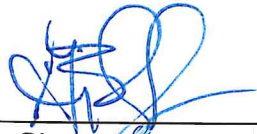
Reportable Action: Evaluation Completed

ADJOURN

1:37 P.M. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

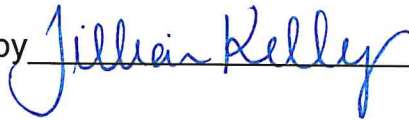
ATTEST:

APPROVED



Vice Chairman of the
Board of Supervisors

SEAN HOUGHTBY, Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

by  Deputy



MENTAL HEALTH AND **WELLNESS FAIR**

Presented by Tehama County Behavioral
Health

- ✓ Free Event Open to All Ages!
 - ✓ Music and Games for Everyone!
 - ✓ Free Hotdogs While Supplies Last!
 - ✓ County and Community
Resource Booths !
 - ✓ Free Mental Health & Wellness
Resources !
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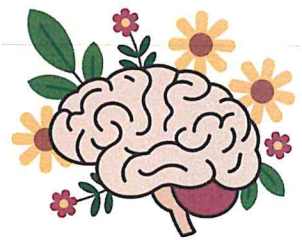
Saturday, May 9, 2026



10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



**Location: Clinic Front Lawn Area
1860 Walnut St.
Red Bluff, CA 96080**



CONTACT US

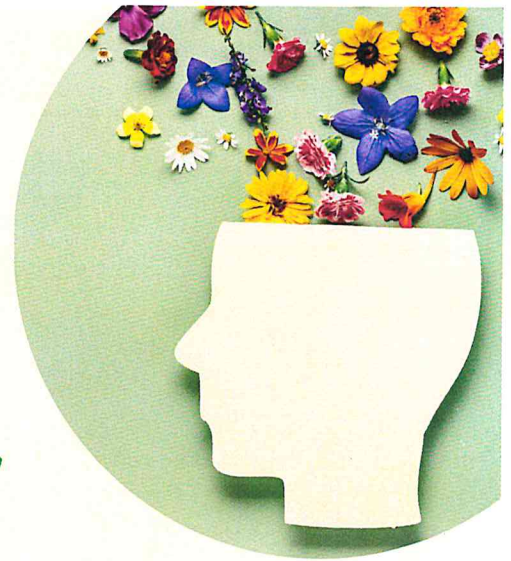
Questions or want to reserve a **FREE** booth space? Contact:
Fernando Villegas at 530-840-1418 or Fernando.Villegas@tchsa.net
Almaris Meza at 530-567-5279 or Almaris.Meza@tchsa.net





MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH TRAININGS

BREAK DOWN THE STIGMA



Free Trainings Offered:

Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)

- Date: May 18th, 2026, Time: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
- Location: Day Reporting Center: 780 Antelope Blvd, Red Bluff, CA. 96080
- About: Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) is a training that teaches participants how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges in youth ages 12-18. Adult MHFA provides similar skills focused on supporting adults

Adult Mental Health First Aid (AMHFA)

- Date: May 29th, 2026, Time: 8:30 am- 5:00 PM
- Location: Day Reporting Center: 780 Antelope Blvd, Red Bluff, CA. 96080
- Note: YMHFA and Adult MHFA can be offered in Spanish upon request.

ASIST Training (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training)

- Duration: 2-day program
- Dates: May 20th, 21 st Time: 8:30 AM- 5:00 PM
- Location: Day Reporting Center: 780 Antelope Blvd, Red Bluff, CA. 96080
- About: ASIST is a 2-day program that teaches how to assist those at risk for suicide. It is for anyone 16 years or older, regardless of professional background.

Know the Signs of Suicide Training

- Date: May 21st, 2026, Time: 9:00 AM-10:00 AM
- Location: STANS Wellness Center 1900 Walnut St. Building J Red Bluff, CA. 96080
- About: This training focuses on identifying signs of suicide, learning about local resources, and how to approach someone experiencing thoughts of suicide.
- Note: This training can be offered in Spanish upon request.

Who Should Attend?

- Students
- Parents
- Educators
- Community Workers
- Community Members



Resolution-Number 2026-01
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF

THE RANCHO TEHAMA ASSOCIATION
ASSESSMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT-OWNED PARCELS

The following action was taken at the duly held meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") of The Rancho Tehama Association ("Association") on April 8, 2026, at which a quorum of the Directors was present:

RECITALS

WHEREAS, The Association is a California nonprofit mutual benefit corporation responsible for the administration and operation of the Rancho Tehama development ("Development"); and

WHEREAS, the Development is governed by the Amended Combined Declaration of Restrictions Rancho Tehama Units No. I and No. II ("CC&Rs"), which is recorded in the Official Records of Tehama County; and

WHEREAS, the CC&Rs establish covenants and assessment obligations that run with the land and are binding upon each owner of a separate interest within the Development; and

WHEREAS, the Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act, Civil Code sections 4000 *et seq.*, governs the operation of common interest developments and confirms the enforceability of recorded CC&Rs; and

WHEREAS, Civil Code sections 5600 and 5650 provide that regular and special assessments are a debt of the owner of a separate interest at the time the assessment is levied; and

WHEREAS, the Corning Union Elementary School District ("District") currently holds fee title to certain parcels located within the Development; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed the recorded deeds and is not aware of any recorded instrument exempting the District's parcels from the CC&Rs or from the assessment provisions contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Association maintains common area infrastructure within the Development, including private roads and related improvements, the costs of which are funded in part through regular assessments levied against all lots within the Development; and

WHEREAS, the Board has obtained legal advice regarding the applicability of the CC&Rs and the Davis-Stirling Act to parcels owned by the District.

BOARD FINDINGS

NOW, THEREFORE, after review and consideration of the governing documents and applicable law, the Board of Directors makes the following findings:

1. The CC&Rs constitute equitable servitudes that run with the land and bind all owners of separate interests within the Development.

2. The District holds fee title to parcels located within the Development that constitute separate interests subject to the CC&Rs.
3. The governing documents do not contain any exemption relieving parcels owned by the District from the obligation to pay regular or special assessments.
4. Neither the Davis-Stirling Act nor other applicable California law provides a general exemption from community association assessments based solely on the governmental status of a property owner.
5. Parcels owned by the District receive the benefit of services funded by Association assessments, including access to and maintenance of private roads and related infrastructure within the Development.
6. The Board has reviewed the governing documents and obtained legal advice regarding the applicability of the CC&Rs and applicable law to parcels owned by public entities within the Development.
7. The Board further finds that the uniform application of assessment obligations to all separate interests within the Development is necessary to ensure the fair allocation of the costs of maintaining and operating the common area and infrastructure that benefit all parcels within the community.

RESOLUTION

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, the Board of Directors hereby resolves as follows:

1. All parcels located within the Rancho Tehama development that constitute separate interests under the CC&Rs are subject to regular and special assessments levied by the Association in accordance with the governing documents and applicable law.
2. This obligation includes parcels owned by the Corning Union Elementary School District to the same extent as other parcels within the Development.
3. Beginning with the next assessment period following adoption of this Resolution, the Association shall include the District-owned parcels in the Association's assessment roll and shall levy assessments against those parcels in the same manner as other lots within the Development, consistent with the governing documents and applicable law.
4. Management is directed to provide written notice to the District advising it of this determination and inviting discussion regarding compliance with the Association's assessment requirements.
5. Nothing in this Resolution constitutes a determination regarding the recovery of any unpaid assessments that may have accrued in prior years. Any decision regarding the pursuit of past amounts shall be considered separately by the Board.

Certificate of Consent and Adoption

The undersigned declare they are duly elected Secretary of The Rancho Tehama Association, and the foregoing Resolution of the Board of Directors was duly approved by a majority of the Board at which a quorum of the Directors was present at the meeting of the Board on the date stated above, and said Resolution remains in full force and effect.

Resolution Action Record

Resolution Type: _____ No.: _____

Pertaining To: _____

Duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors held: _____

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

	Vote: Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
_____ President	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____ Secretary	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____ Treasurer	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____ Member – At – Large	_____	_____	_____	_____

ATTEST:

Secretary:

Date:

Resolution effective date: _____

Final Report

Small Community Drought Relief Program

Glenn County & Tehama County Emergency Water Hauling Project

**North Valley Community Foundation
Agreement Number 4600014903**

**Project Completion Final Report
September 21, 2021 – February 28, 2026**

Glenn County and Tehama County Emergency Hauled Water Project



Project Description

The purpose of this project was to respond to drought and assist individuals who lost or are threatened with loss of their domestic water supply. The project was intended to address human health and safety concerns. The project included delivery of potable water for consumption and nonpotable water for household use with the installation of 1,550-gallon or 2,500-gallon tanks and booster pumps.

Over the course of more than four years, the grant allowed us to serve 413 households – 257 in Glenn County and 156 in Tehama County.

Glenn County

The project started in Glenn County. Residents of this area requested assistance to help meet short-term water needs until new wells were drilled, adequate rainfall provided drought relief or the City of Orland Water Expansion Project was completed. The Orland city project took longer than expected and, early in the project, there were significant wait times for new wells.

The main supplies for this project included 1,550-gallon or 2,500-gallon bulk water tanks, ¾-hp or 1-hp booster pumps, miscellaneous valves and plumbing parts. Bottled potable water was delivered by a contracted provider.

The first community meeting announcing the program in Glenn County was held in mid-October 2021 and installations continued through the spring of 2023 under the initial grant. Total program participants during the initial grant period peaked at 243 and was at 206 participants at the end of funding for the first agreement in May 2023.

Tehama County Addition

On Nov. 15, 2022, we received a "SCDRP Commitment Letter" from DWR to start a program in Tehama County, and continue our program in Glenn County with this additional funding. The total amount of the grant was \$5,049,240.

\$2,350,600 was allocated to Tehama, while \$2,698,640 was allocated to Glenn.

The purpose of this project was similar to the original Glenn grant: to respond to drought and assist individuals that lost or were threatened with loss of their water supply.

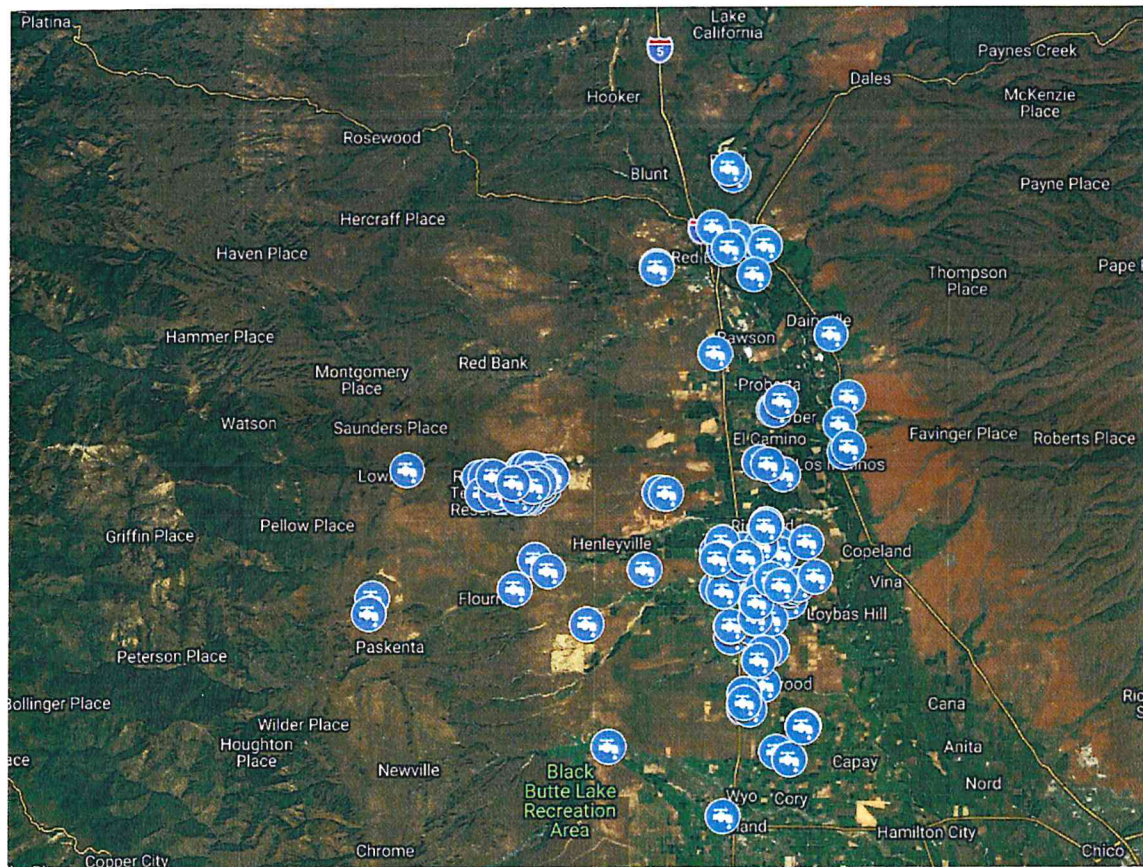
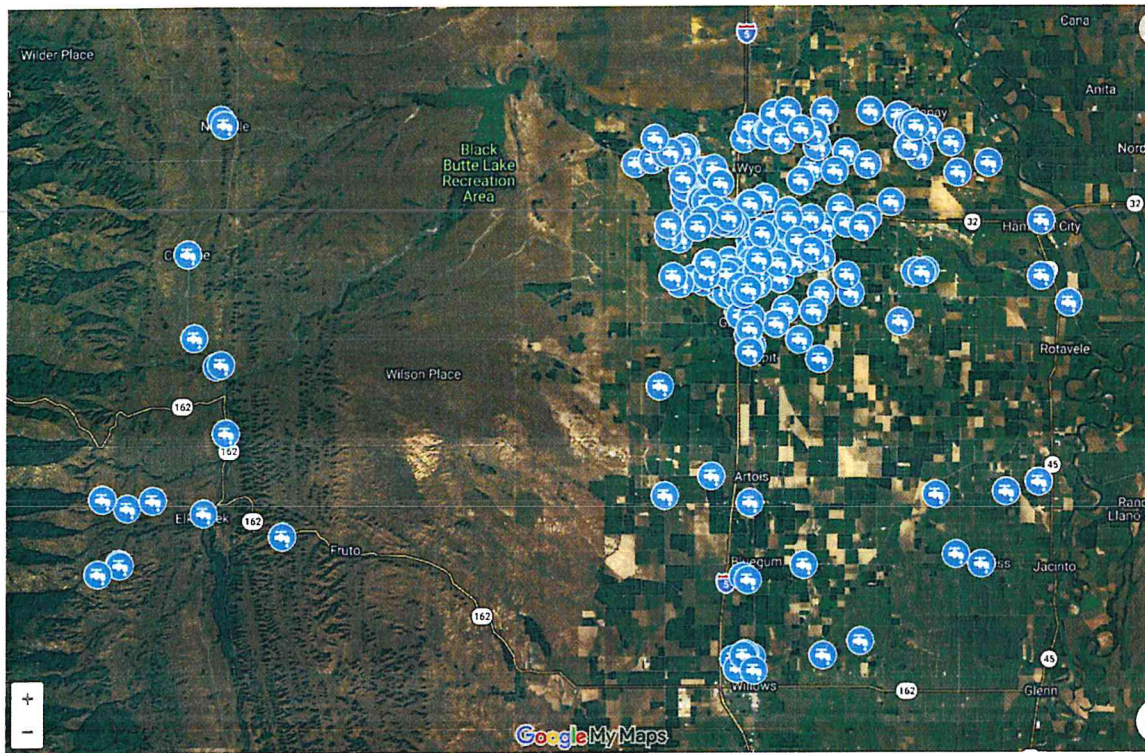
The project included delivery of potable water and bulk nonpotable water with the installation of 2,500-gallon tanks and booster pumps.

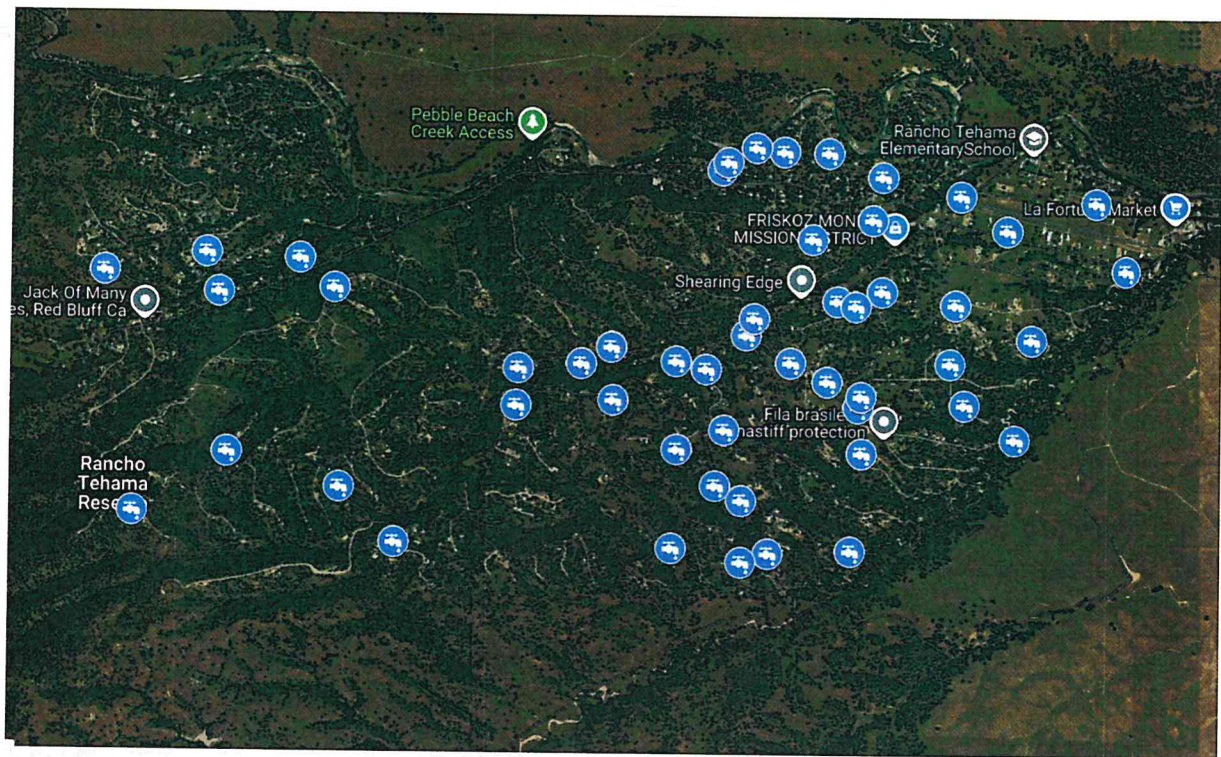
In the new region for this project, serving Tehama County, residents requested assistance to help meet short-term water needs until new wells were drilled or adequate rainfall provided drought relief.

Contracting with vendors was completed in January 2023. The NVCF website was updated and forms were available there or in person at the Tehama County Environmental Health Office. In-person meetings were held in Tehama County at program start up.

The main supplies for this project included 2,500-gallon bulk water tanks, ¾-hp or 1-hp booster pumps, miscellaneous valves and plumbing parts. Tanks for the Tehama portion of this project were supplied through the state tank program (Tank Depot) and were funded and purchased by DWR directly as needed.

Below, we have included Google maps showing the properties served by this program. The first shows Glenn County, the second Tehama County and the third shows the concentration of homes in Rancho Tehama, which was the most problematic area to serve and to find permanent solutions for.





Activities:

Task 1 – Project Administration

This task includes project administration, invoicing, reporting and community outreach for the project.

We can't emphasize enough how vital it was to have a project manager like Jody Samons, who knew the area, the issues and the needs. She guided the on-the-ground work like a community service project and attracted vendors who had the same mindset. When somebody reported a dry well, they often had service the day after filling out the forms. They never took a day off if someone needed help.

The NVCF accounting software suite provided a great framework for uploading invoices and backup documentation for timely payments and accurate program accounting. Vendors were usually paid within a week of submitting their invoice. Vendors appreciated the good communication and timely payment.

In the last 8-9 months of the project, focus shifted to assessment and remediation in an effort to get people off the program before its expiration on Feb. 28, 2026. Deliveries continued to affected households.

In February 2025, California Waterboards helped us forge a partnership with RCAC to develop a program to get wells drilled for income-qualified program participants whose wells could not be remediated. A public joint meeting was held on Sept. 25, 2025, which was very well attended. RCAC provided information about its program and how it worked and we reviewed the role NVCF would play in assisting individuals in submitting the documentation, given the limited connectivity and technology in Tehama County.

As of this report, 11 wells have been drilled and approximately 10 more participants have been approved. We expect to have about 20 wells approved and drilled as part of this program. Unfortunately, there are roughly another 20 people who did not qualify for the RCAC program for various reasons. We have stopped water delivery to them, but we have concerns that they cannot afford delivery themselves and don't have the means to get wells or pumps repaired. Of course, this latter group was warned by us well in advance, but it's still a concern of ours that many don't have water.

Task 2 – Bottled Water Delivery

NVCF contracted with Bidwell Water Service after calling and emailing for cost estimates from local providers. Bidwell Water was the only respondent. Approval was sought to provide smaller containers to disabled and senior participants to facilitate ease of transfer into the household. The vendor provided a detailed water delivery record with each monthly invoice.



Bottled water delivery fell as participants were remediated. A few participants were restored to bottled water when their water quality deteriorated after remediation or they couldn't get a clean-water test. Some participants opted to privately pay for the service after they left the drought relief program. We continued to drop participants when we were sure they had adequate, safe drinking water.

The totals are remarkable. Over the course of the program, we delivered 379,323 gallons of bottled water – 125,203 in the first grant period from November 2021 through May 2023, and 254,120 gallons for the second grant from June 2023 through Feb. 2026. (See charts at end of this report.)

Task 3 – Water Tanks and Pumps

Tehama County: Tank deliveries through the state tank program began on Nov. 30, 2022. Tanks are being stored in a fenced county public works yard in Corning. We'll continue to keep tanks there after the RCAC well-drilling program is complete and will use the tanks for future emergencies. (We also have tanks stored at the Orland-Artois Water District in Glenn County.)

Coordination with the Tehama County Environmental Health Office continued to ensure program participants had correctly reported their dry wells on the state website.

There were a few installations of tanks and pumps in Tehama County by Callahan Electrical even after rainfall returned to normal. The community of Rancho Tehama, with no municipal water system, is particularly vulnerable and a long-term solution should be a priority for the county and state. The only option for many of our Rancho Tehama participants was a new well, and because it's an area with many financially struggling households, that's not a viable option for many.



Glenn County: After rainfall returned to normal levels and the city of Orland began hooking up unincorporated residents to the municipal water system, we had few new requests for assistance. Most of those were for wells that collapsed after the water returns. Focus turned to assessment and remediation for existing participants. In some cases, where there was a limited supply, we have left the tank and pump and installed slow flow pumps for the participants, filling the tank so they have access to supply at all times.

In both counties, we shifted to an assessment before placing a tank and pump. That worked well given the improving groundwater situation.

Task 4 – Water Hauling

Summary: NVCF contracted with Bambauer Towing, All American Emergency Services, Haynes and Holmes over the course of the program to provide bulk water. We delivered 13,683,215 gallons of bulk water – 3,903,750 in the first grant period from November 2021 through May 2023, and 9,779,465 gallons for the second grant from June 2023 through Feb. 2026. (See charts at end of this report.)

Tehama County: Primarily three vendors hauled water to Tehama County residents, even though five were properly contracted. All American Emergency Services contracted with the Passages program for older residents, so Tehama County residents received the benefit of this program as well as those in Glenn County. The Passages program, which provided an extra tank of water each money for qualifying seniors, ended on Sept. 30, 2024.

One delivery of 2,500 gallons is covered by this grant each month.

Glenn County: Bulk water deliveries continued with no issues. Both vendors were more than competent and provided excellent service to program participants.



Task 5 - Well Assessment and Task 6 - Well Remediation

During the second quarter in 2023, an additional funding award was received in an effort to fix wells when possible, rather than simply delivering water. The funding totaled \$1,843,750 (\$1,562,500 for Task 5 and 6, and \$281,250 for Task 1) to rehabilitate existing wells and pumps, if adequate water supply was now available.

The maximum cost allowed for well remediation was \$12,500 per household (the approximate annual cost to provide short-term relief). That maximum was increased to \$15,000 in Tehama County because of the extreme depth of the wells there.

NVCF contracted with Callahan Electrical to do the well assessments and remediations.

Interest in the program gradually increased, especially as rainfall totals increased. If a reconnection was recommended and performed, we would pick up the tank once the water was flowing and tested as safe. The tanks would be returned to inventory, deploying it to those new participants needing service.

In the case of those drilling new wells, we assisted with installation of a new pump, power saver switch, etc. Those using this service have paid significant funds out of pocket to evaluate or "fix" their well before coming to the realization that the well was dry. The burden of drilling a new well precluded many of them from getting their pump installed and some of the new wells have sat unused for months or years due to the inability of the homeowner to finish the project. We worked in concert with RCAC and recommended RCAC to those that qualify to transition participants away from hauled water.

Glenn County remediations were more successful than Tehama. In Glenn County, normal rainfall and year-round flows in Stony Creek were a major contributor to groundwater levels rebounding. That wasn't the case in the foothills of Rancho Tehama. Fewer wells recovered. We appreciate DWR for its cooperation and an open mind. We stayed below budget and have realized great solutions by working cooperatively. It cannot be overstated the relief and appreciation that is expressed to DWR by participants for making this program available.

As the grant came to a close, we focused a great deal of time on remediation of Glenn County wells in the Elk Creek area and western hills of the county.

We spent significant time working with Tehama County program participants on their applications to RCAC for new wells, then the timeline was complicated by a wet winter. We anticipate there will be roughly 20 new wells completed. We continue to deliver water through a DWR extension in the hope these final wells are completed by the end of summer.

Project Cost

The total budget is \$6,892,990 and the total invoiced amount to DWR as of Feb. 28, 2026, was \$4,380,040.56 and can be seen in both an old and new format in Tables 1 and 2 seen below. The remaining/unused grant balance is \$2,512,949.44.

Table 1. Project Costs Billed to DWR as of February 28, 2026

Task	Description	Grant Amount, \$	Invoiced to date, \$	Amount Remaining, \$	Percent Invoiced to date
1	Project Administration (Tehama & Glenn)	\$761,250	\$658,265.79	\$102,984.21	86.47%
2	Bottled Water Delivery - Tehama	\$210,600	\$223,775.50	\$-13,175.50	106.26%
2	Bottled Water Delivery - Glenn	\$358,640	\$186,287.50	\$172,352.50	51.94%
3	Water Tanks and Pumps - Tehama	\$800,000	\$279,750.18	\$520,249.82	34.97%
3	Water Tanks and Pumps - Glenn	\$600,000	\$52,826.48	\$547,173.52	8.80%
4	Water Hauling - Tehama	\$1,100,000	\$979,120	\$120,880	89.01%
4	Water Hauling - Glenn	\$1,500,000	\$826,893.61	\$673,106.39	55.13%
5	Well Assessment (Tehama & Glenn)	\$400,000	\$188,700	\$211,300	47.18%
6	Well Remediation (Tehama & Glenn)	\$1,162,500	\$984,421.50	\$178,078.50	69.48%
Total		\$6,892,990	\$4,380,040.56	\$2,512,949.44	63.54%

Table 2. Project Costs Billed to DWR as of February 28, 2026 (Consolidated View with Updated Budget)

Task	Description	Grant Amount	Invoiced to date	Amount Remaining	Percent Invoiced
1	Project Administration	\$761,250	\$658,265.79	\$102,984.21	86.47%
2	Bottled Water Delivery	\$569,240	\$410,063	\$159,177	72.04%
3	Water Tanks and Pumps	\$500,000	\$332,576.66	\$167,423.34	66.52%
4	Water Hauling	\$1,800,000	\$1,806,013.61	\$-6,013.61	100.33%
5	Well Assessment	\$500,000	\$188,700	\$311,300	37.74%
6	Well Remediation	\$2,762,500	\$984,421.50	\$1,778,078.50	35.64%
Total		\$6,892,990	\$4,380,040.56	\$2,512,949.44	63.54%

Project Schedule

The project pertaining to Agreement #4600014903 received final billing by way of email on March 11, 2026. This final invoice represented expenses that had been paid as of Feb. 28, 2026.

Table 2. Project Schedule as of Feb. 28, 2026

Task	Description	Planned Completion Date	Actual Completion Date
1	Project Administration	2/28/2026	Completed to date
2	Bottled Water Delivery	2/28/2026	Completed to date
3	Water Tanks and Pumps	2/28/2026	Completed to date
4	Water Hauling	2/28/2026	Completed to date
5	Well Assessment	2/28/2026	Completed to date
6	Well Remediation	2/28/2026	Completed to date

Project Summary

This project was very successful due to the following:

1. Having a project manager (Jody Samons) who lived in the county and actually had a well run dry herself was vital. Jody was responsive, sympathetic and an outstanding steward of taxpayer funding.
2. Competent and conscientious management by a nonprofit with capacity and mindset to serve and the ability to serve quickly.
3. Cooperation with local governmental agencies. For example, local government providing a loan to facilitate cash flow was critical.
4. Positive relationship and trust between knowledgeable granting agency staff and nonprofit team.
5. All involved were highly communicative.
6. Community-minded vendors that provided extraordinarily responsive service throughout the project period. Not coincidentally, vendors that provided the best service stuck with the program the longest because they had that community service mindset.
7. Thanks to those vendors, in most cases new program participants were connected to

temporary water within a 24-hour turnaround time.

8. Positive support and flexibility in working with DWR, particularly the outstanding responsiveness and support from Alena Misaghi and Austin Hall.
9. The program grew and reached its intended recipients through a combination of positive widespread publicity as well as word of mouth from program participants about their good experiences.

Suggested changes/improvements for future projects:

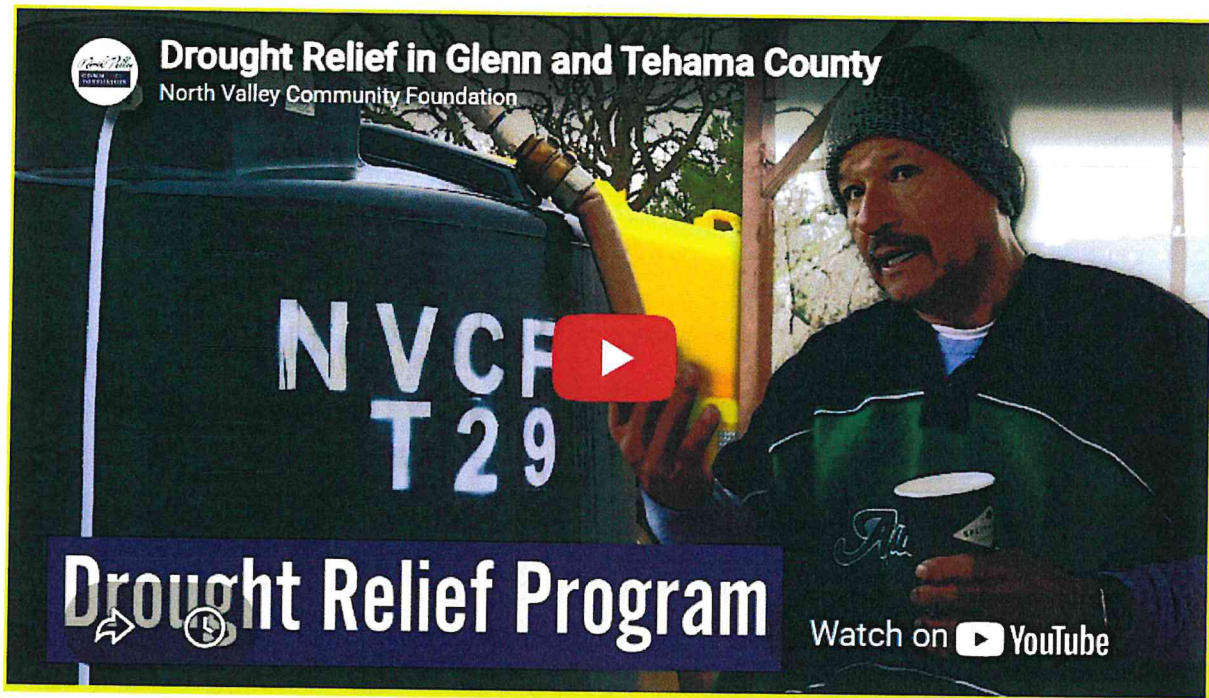
1. Install only 2,500-gallon tanks and provide one delivery per month. This will reduce paperwork and administration costs, as well as reducing truck traffic on roads.
2. Consider implementing a remediation program alongside the delivery program whenever possible. Remediation programs should include pressure tank replacement if necessary.
3. Finding an agency such as Passages that can operate alongside this grant effectively extends these funds.

Final notes:

1. Though we feel the work in Glenn County is complete, we don't feel the work in Tehama County is complete. There are still quite a few homes there suffering from water insecurity, especially in Rancho Tehama. It's worth noting too that we started the Tehama County efforts a year after Glenn County.
2. For the northern part of Glenn County, it is evident based on the locations of those served and the recovery of those wells that Stony Creek needs to flow year-round, even at a trickle, to maintain the groundwater supply.

Final numbers

	Glenn	Tehama	Total
Number served	257	156	413
Tank/pump installations	158	106	264
Assessments	109	112	221
Reconnections	39	6	45
Pumps replaced	50	50	100
Pump savers installed	75	47	122
Pressure tanks replaced	15	5	20
Collapsing wells remediated	4	10	14

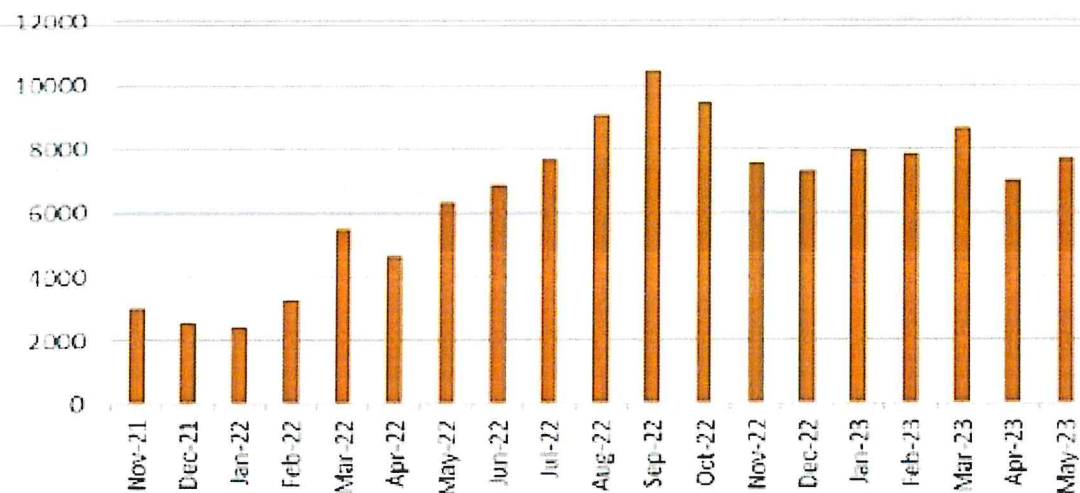


To watch a video about the Small Community Drought Relief Program, go to:

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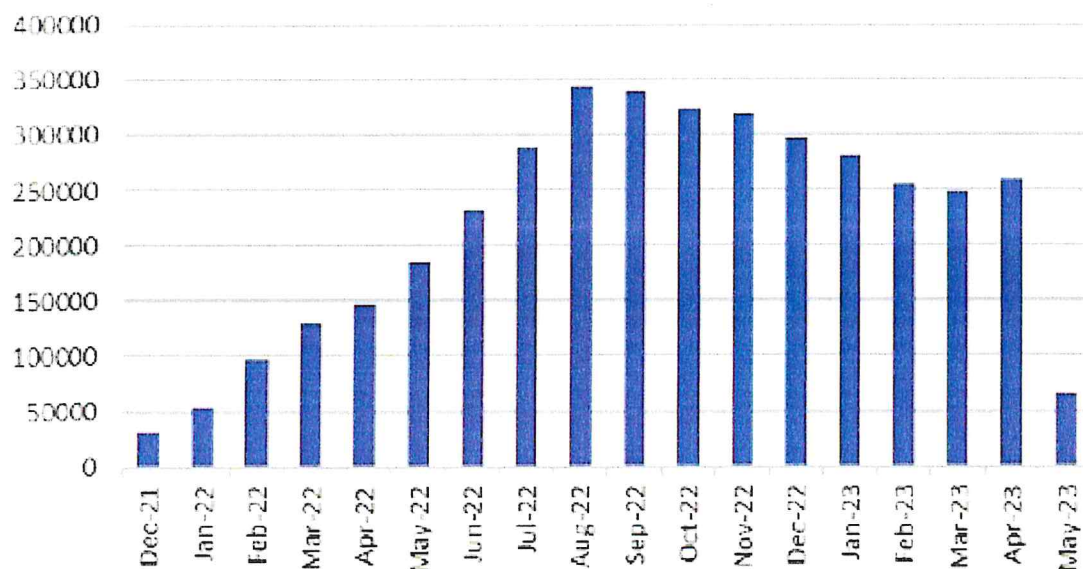
Original Grant

Glenn County Bottled Water Gallons Delivered



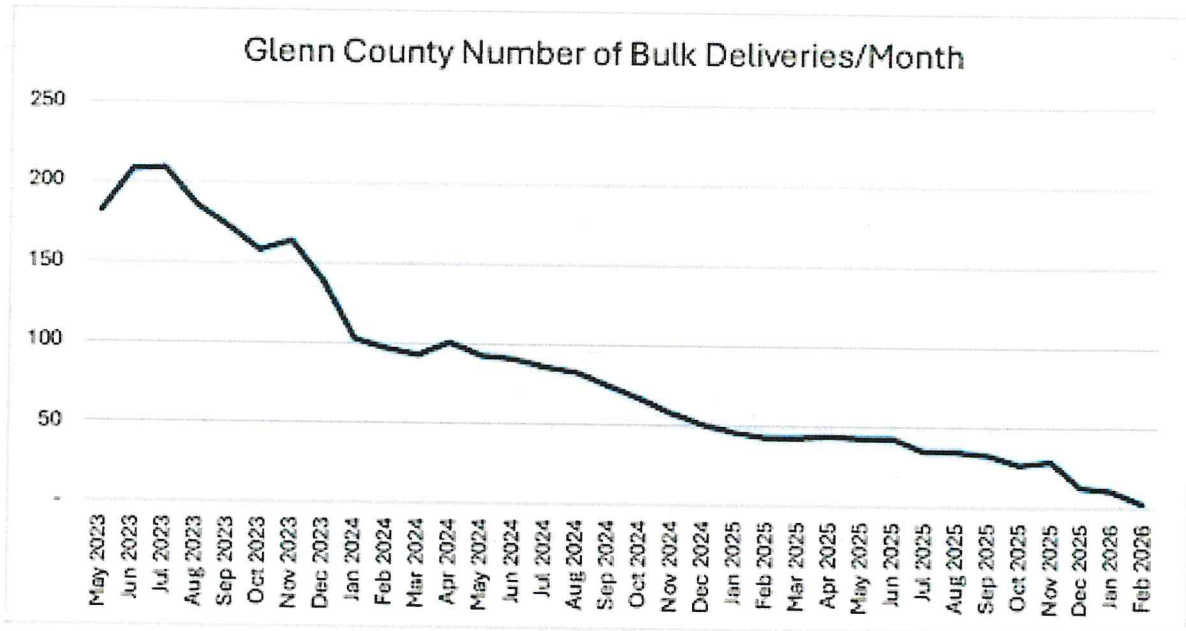
Total Glenn County Gallons Bottled Water Delivered = 125,203

Glenn County Bulk Water Delivery - Gallons

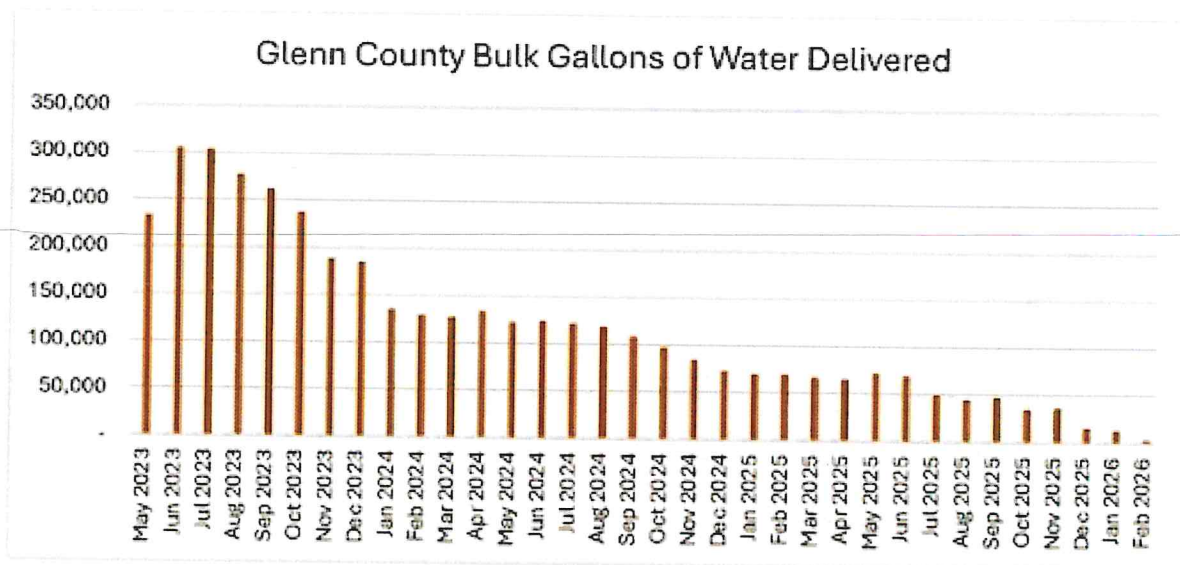


Total Glenn County Bulk Gallons Delivered = 3,903,750 **Bambauer May 2023 paid out of new grant was 221,350 gallons for a total of 4,125,100 gallons through May 2023.

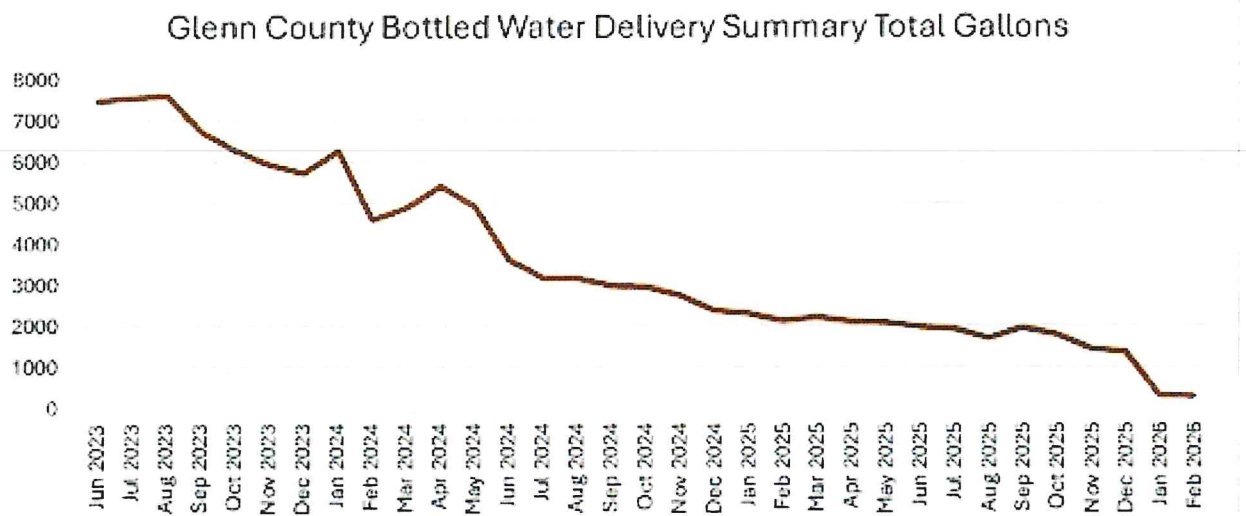
Second Grant – Glenn County



Total Number of Glenn County Bulk Deliveries = 2,865

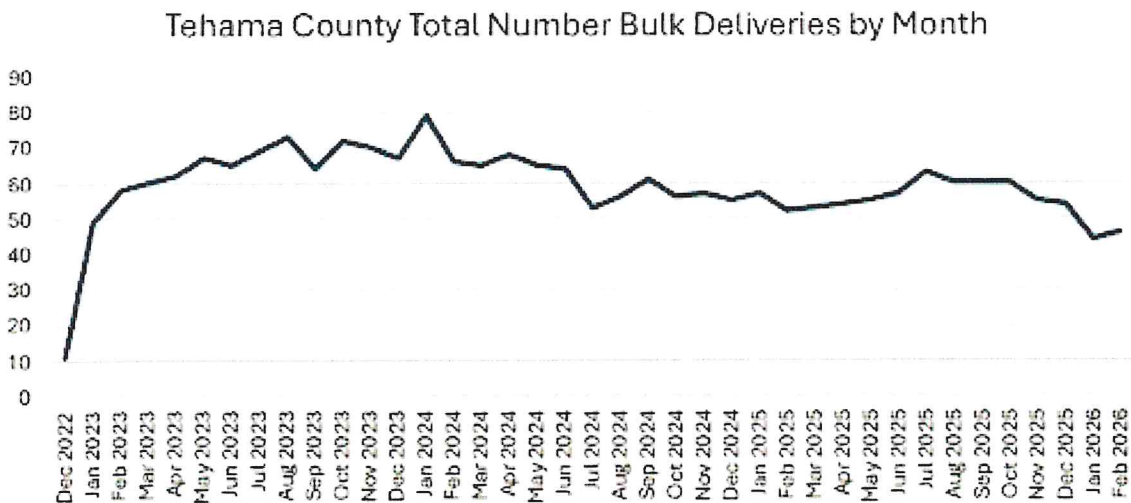


Total Glenn County Bulk Gallons Delivered = 4,030,115 **Bambauer May 2023 listed here as it was paid out of the second grant. Important not to duplicate that 221,350 gallons.

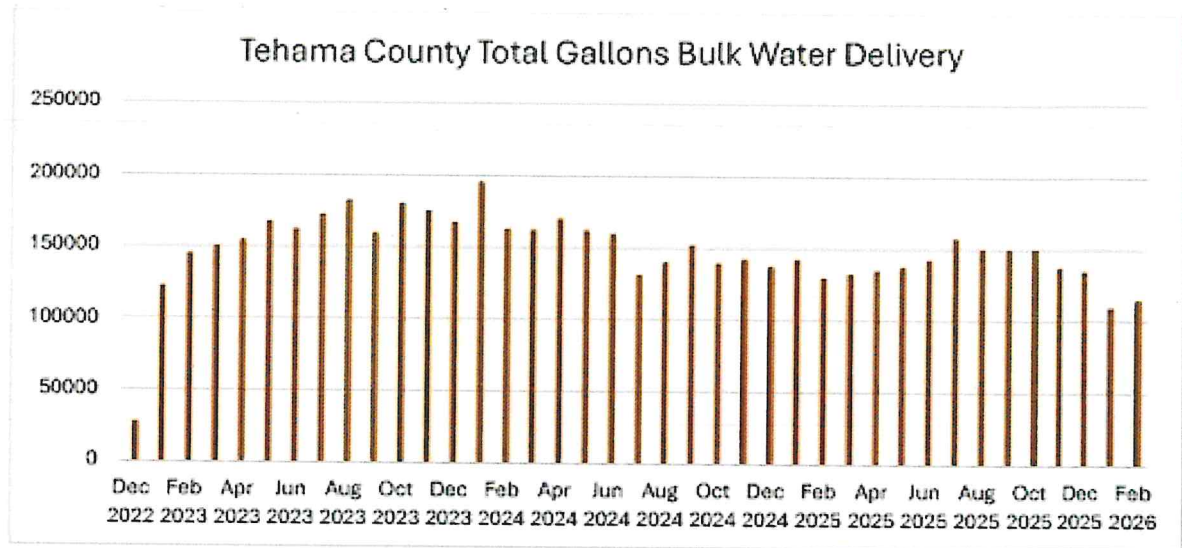


Total Glenn County Gallons Bottled Water Delivered = 117,672

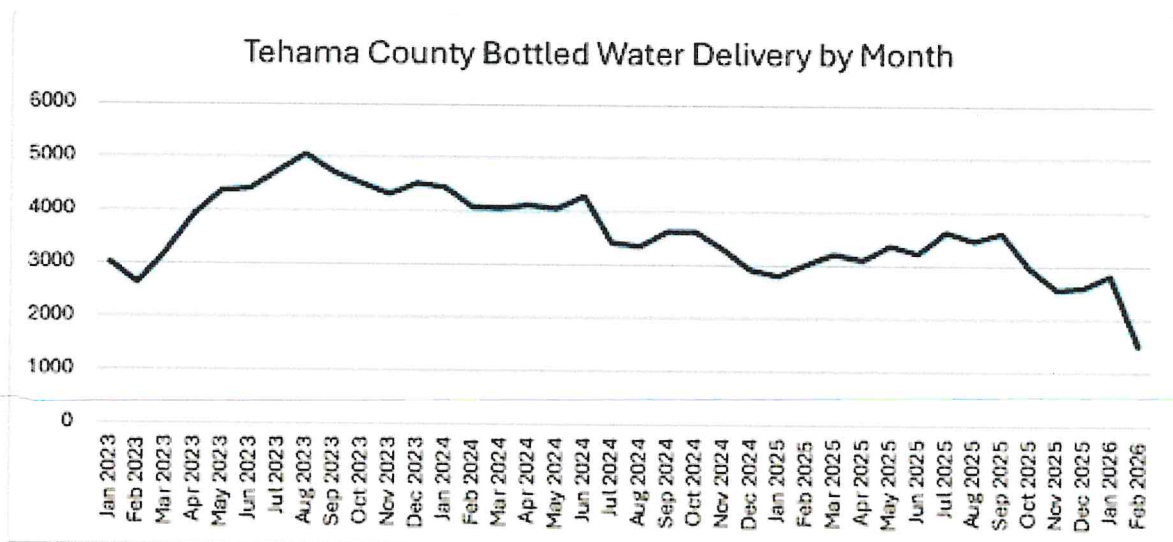
Second Grant – Tehama County



Total Number of Tehama County Bulk Deliveries = 2,302



Total Tehama County Bulk Water Gallons Delivered = 5,749,350



Total Tehama County Gallons Bottled Water Delivered = 136,448

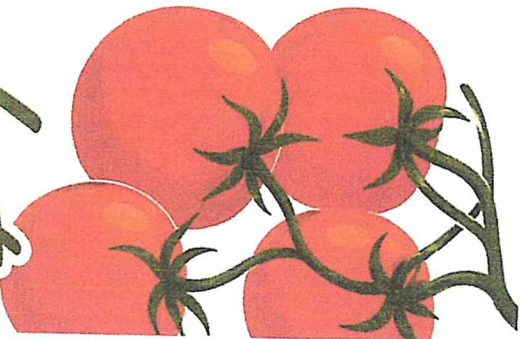
TOTAL GALLONS WATER DELIVERED (BOTH GRANTS)

Tehama Bottled = 136,448	Tehama Bulk = 5,749,350
Glenn Bottled = 242,875	Glenn Bulk = 7,933,865
Total Bottled = 379,323	Total Bulk = 13,683,215

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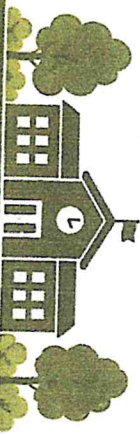


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