

# TEHAMA COUNTY GROUNDWATER COMMISSION



Board Chambers  
Tehama County Board of Supervisors Chambers  
727 Oak Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080  
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## AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2024

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**8:30 AM**

Commissioners: Martin Spannaus, City of Corning; Clay Parker, City of Red Bluff;  
Hal Crain, City of Tehama; Kris Lamkin, El Camino Irrigation District;  
Todd Hamer, Los Molinos Community Services District; Martha Slack, Rio Alto Water District;  
Bart Fleharty District 1; Andrew Grady, District 2;  
Seth Lawrence, District 3; Michael Ward, District 4; David Lester, District 5

Jim Simon, Executive Director; Justin Jenson, Flood Control/Water Resources Manager

This meeting conforms to the Brown Act Open Meeting Requirements, in that actions and deliberations of the Groundwater Commission, created to conduct the people's business are taken openly; and that the people remain fully informed about the conduct of its business. Any written materials related to an open session item on this agenda that are submitted to the Clerk less than 72 hours prior to this meeting, and that are not exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act, will promptly be made available for public inspection at Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 1509 Schwab Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080 during normal business hours.

### 1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Introductions**

**2. Public Comment**

This time is set aside for citizens to address this Board on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of this Board provided the matter is not on the agenda or pending before this Board. Each agenda item will have an opportunity for public comment at the time the item is called. Persons wishing to provide public comment are asked to address the Board from the podium. The Chair reserves the right to limit each speaker to three (3) minutes. Disclosure of the speaker’s identity is purely voluntary during the public comment period.

For audio and real-time commenting via phone:  
(530) 212-8376, conference code 142001. Press 5\* on your phone keypad to raise your hand to comment.

For live audio of the meeting:  
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- 3. Updates For Demand Management and Well Mitigation Ad-Hocs 24-2222**
- 4. Appeal Request for Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regulations Governing New and Replacement Wells 24-2223**
- 5. Review Resolution 8-2024 24-2225**
- 6. Commission Matters**

**Adjourn**

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### Updates For Demand Management and Well Mitigation Ad-Hocs

**Requested Action(s)**

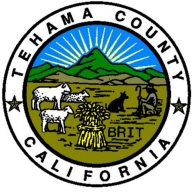
Informational Update

**Financial Impact:**

none

**Background Information:**

Standing Item for Ad-Hoc members and staff to provide updates.



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### **Appeal Request for Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regulations Governing New and Replacement Wells**

#### **Requested Action(s)**

Upon Review of E-log and applicant desire to replace a well “in-kind” determine if an exemption is warranted. Staff recommendation is if a well is of the same diameter and depth along with a permitted destruction of the existing well, that is the requirement for determination of replacement “in-kind”.

#### **Financial Impact:**

None

#### **Background Information:**

On September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 The district approved GSA regulations Governing New and Replacement Wells. During the approval process the Commission indicated that proven direct “in-kind” replacements for failed or failing wells would be a valid exception and that such a replacement was not subject to CEQA by statute. The GSA Executive does not have the authority to approve an exception.



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### Review Resolution 8-2024

#### **Requested Action(s)**

Give guidance to staff regarding how to proceed.

#### **Financial Impact:**

Unknown

#### **Background Information:**

In September of this year the Board passed resolution 8-2024 in light of the newly adopted GSP's. The resolution was intended to comply with Executive order N-7-22 paragraph 9 modified by N-3-23 paragraph 4 giving GSA's authority to act unilaterally in setting requirements for an approval letter for the installation of new agricultural wells. Also, in September of this year Governor Newsom issued executive order N-3-24. Paragraph 6 of the order modified the previous orders and removed the authority of the GSA to act unilaterally in regard to well permit issuance. Because of this modification, Environmental Health is not required to request approval from the GSA for new installations and is no longer required to determine if an installation will interfere with existing wells or cause subsidence. This action makes the requirement and intent of the resolution moot. The GSA does still have the authority to request Environmental Health to add conditions to the issuance of permits or restrict installations in specific areas via regulation such as the existing screening and sealing depths. The Board of Supervisors with recommendations from EH staff could resolve to allow this cooperation.