



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE City of Chico/County of Butte

Agenda of August 27th, 2025

11:00am

421 Main Street - Chico – Council Conference Room 1

The purpose of the Local Government Committee is to provide a forum for elected representatives from Butte County and the City of Chico to meet and discuss items of mutual interest.

1. **Approve Minutes**

May 7, 2025

2. **Update of 5-Mile Flood Control**

Joshua Pack, Butte County Public Works Director

Brendan Ottoboni, Chico Public Works Director – Engineering

Erik Gustafson, Chico Public Works Director – Operations & Maintenance

3. **Public Access to Levees Maintained by Butte County**

Joshua Pack, Butte County Public Works Director

4. **Homelessness Update**

Mark Sorensen, City Manager

5. **Consideration of Future Meeting Dates and Time**

a. November 5, 2025

b. February 4, 2026

c. May 6, 2026

d. August 5, 2026

6. **Potential Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

7. **Public Comment**

8. **Adjournment**

Distribution:

Deborah Presson, City Clerk

Mark Sorensen, City Manager

Stina Cooley, Administrative Specialist

Andy Pickett, Chief Administrative Officer

Meegan Jessee, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer

Melissa Kitts, Assistant Clerk of the Board

Shannon Costa, Butte Local Agency Formation Commission

Annabel Grimm, CARD General Manager



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Minutes of May 7, 2025

11:00 a.m.

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The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chair Durfee. Supervisor Ritter, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember van Overbeek, Councilmember Winslow, and Chair Durfee were in attendance.

1. Approval of Minutes

- February 5, 2025

A motion by Supervisor Ritter was seconded by Councilmember O'Brien to approve the minutes of February 5, 2025. The motion passed (5-0).

2. Flood Discussion

City & County staff provided an update on the progress of the 5-mile project and next steps.

3. Behavioral Health Housing/Proposition 1 Update

Scott Kennelly, Behavioral Health Director provided an overview on Proposition 1 and how this will affect behavioral health programs and funding. He stated that approximately 30% of the current program funding will be diverted to Proposition 1 housing mandates. This will have significant impacts on the programs currently offered.

4. Continuum of Care (COC) Data Availability

Erin Murray, Housing and Homeless Program Manager with Butte County and Continuum of Care Coordinator provided an update on data availability. Ms. Murray stated that there is a variety of data available on their website and the links provided there.

5. Homelessness Update

Mark Sorensen, City Manager reported that the City's Rule 60 petition was denied so the City must still abide by the settlement agreement. He said the City is in discussions with Legal Services of Northern California regarding different notifications in high fire danger areas.

6. Purpose of the Local Government Committee

Supervisor Durfee requested a discussion of the Local Government Committee. Andy Pickett Chief Administrative Officer reported that the genesis of the committee originated around discussions regarding the nitrate project. The City and County then expanded the discussions to include additional projects and has evolved from there. The Committee agreed that there is value in continuing to meet and asked that staff include a statement on the website regarding the purpose of the Committee.

7. Consideration of Future Meeting Dates and Time

- Move August meeting to August 27, 2025

- b. November 5, 2025
- c. February 4, 2026
- d. May 6, 2026

8. Potential Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Discussion of County controlled levies allowing access for walking or bicycling recreation.

9. Public Comment - *None*

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:06 P.M. to the next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 11:00 A.M.

Update - Five Mile Basin

Agenda
Item #2



Joshua Pack

Butte County Director of Public Works

Local Government Committee

May 7, 2025



Background



- Met with Board of Supervisors and Chico City Council on January 28, 2025
- Board directed staff to move forward with project

Solicitation



- Prepared Request for Proposals (RFP) after BOS approval
- Issued RFP was issued on February 6
- Utilized existing on-call engineering list to expedite work
- Solicitation was closed on March 13 – 3 proposals
- Preliminary reviews moved two firms forward on March 26
- Final interviews with County and City staff on April 9
- Decision on preferred consultant on April 11

NCE Engineering and Environmental Services



- NCE selected as the preferred firm (April 11)
- Considerable expertise and experience with similar projects
- Currently developing a comprehensive scope of services, with anticipated Notice to Proceed by the end of May
- Interim task order approved to advance project (\$77k)
 - Updated topographic survey to reflect existing surface features following last winter's flows and sediment deposits
 - Project coordination with regulatory agencies to discuss project scope and permitting requirements
 - NCE already met with CDFW staff at the site on 4/23



Initial Scope and Focus



- Three elements to the scope of services
 - Work in 2025 under the existing Routine Maintenance Agreement
 - Work in 2025 under other procedures to maximize effectiveness
 - “Full Project” scenario – which would take 3-5 years
- Scope to include extensive public outreach and stakeholder engagement

Other Efforts



- Extensive coordination with elected representatives
 - Congressman LaMalfa
 - Senator Dahle
 - Assemblyman Gallagher
- AB 1000 efforts
- Several meetings with County/City leadership, CDFW, and USACE

Project Funding



- Still exploring funding options for the full project
 - County Service Area 24 Proposition 218 election
 - Federal earmark application
 - Other grant funds and opportunities

Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

Erin Murray Program Manager, Housing and Homeless & CoC Coordinator

Butte County Department of Employment and Social Services and Staff to the CoC

Continuum of Care (CoC)

The CoC is a multi-agency planning body with the common goal of ending homelessness.

Membership consists of:

- **Service providers**
- **Government entities**
- **Community members**

CoC Administration

The Department of Employment and Social Services (DESS) acts in the following capacity on behalf of the CoC:

- **Administrative Entity**
- **Collaborative Applicant**
- **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Lead**

Data Availability

Homeless Data Integration System

[Homeless Data Integration System - California Interagency Council on Homelessness](#)

HHAP Fiscal Data Dashboard

[HHAP Fiscal Data Dashboard and Downloads | California Department of Housing and Community Development](#)

Cal ICH System Performance Measures

[CA System Performance Measures, Statewide and by CoC - Dataset - California Open Data](#)

CoC Website

[ON A MISSION TO END HOMELESSNESS IN BUTTE COUNTY – Home](#)

HUD Website

[HUD Home | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

Funding Overview - Federal

CoC Program Grant

Funding to promote strategic use of resources to address homelessness.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

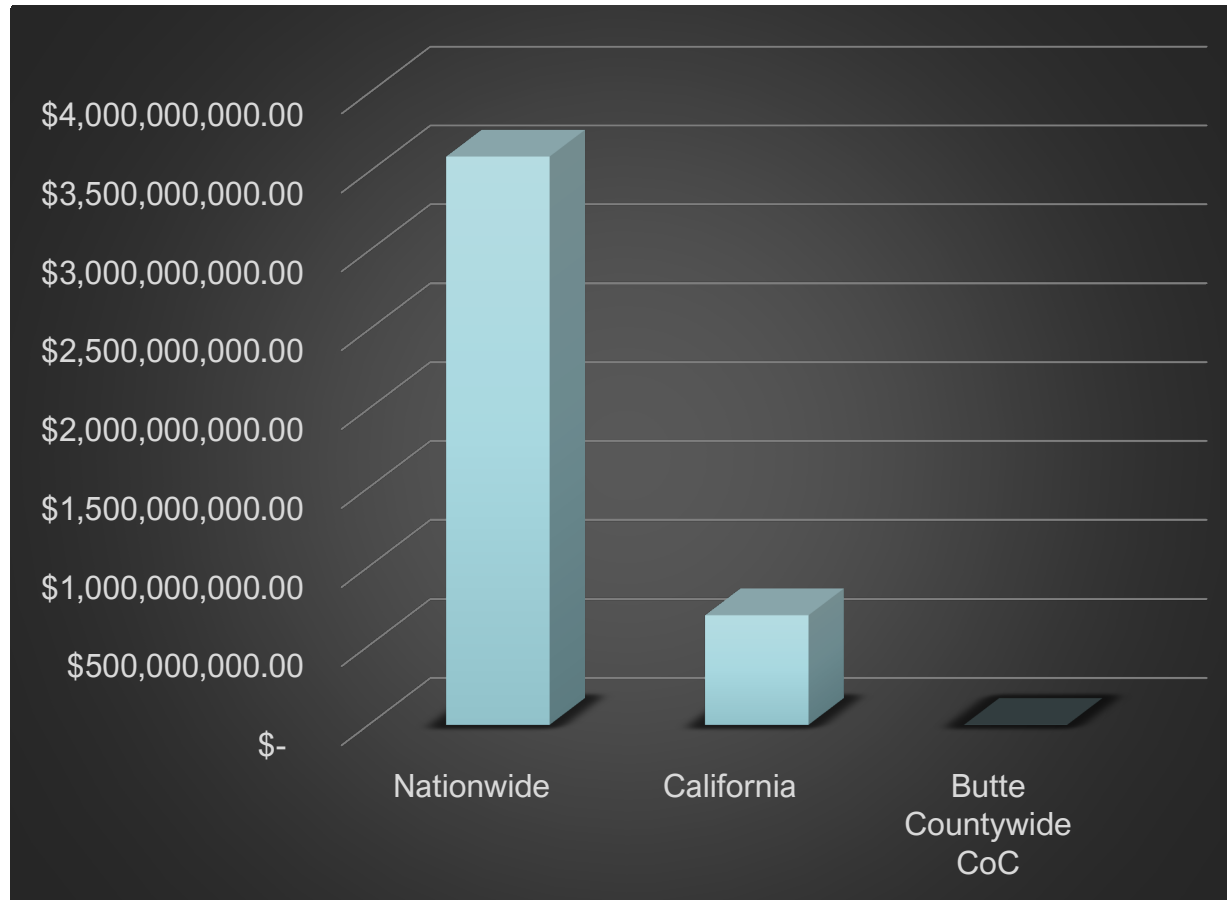
Funding to engage with and rehouse individuals and families experiencing homelessness, as well as to support preventing homelessness.

Federal Grant Funds FY 24

Nationwide: \$3.6 billion

California: \$694 million

CoC: \$991,295



CoC Program Grant FY 24

Program Name	Program Description	One Year Term
Caminar – Base Camp Village	Permanent Supportive Housing	\$96,166
Caminar – Avenida Apartments	Permanent Supportive Housing	\$108,042
Catalyst – Cottages	Transitional Housing & Rapid Rehousing	\$125,151
Butte County – Planning Grant	CoC Operations	\$50,000
Butte County – HMIS	Homeless Management Information System Operations	\$263,919
Butte County – CES	Coordinated Entry System Operations	\$36,241

ESG FY 24

Program Name	Program Description	One Year Term
Catalyst – Safe HAVEN Operations	Emergency Shelter and Rapid Rehousing	\$154,733.50
Oroville Rescue Mission – Mission Esperanza Pallet Shelter Program	Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, & Homelessness Prevention	\$154,733.50

Funding Overview - State

Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 1 - 5

- Funding to support regional coordination to expand local capacity to address homelessness challenges.
- CoC: \$7,207,874.04
- County: \$6,742,961.36

Performance Outcomes

Overall System Performance Outcomes	May 2020 – Sept 2024
Number of People Accessing Services While Experiencing Homelessness	161%
Number of People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness	(31%)
Number of People Experiencing Homelessness for the First Time	173%
Number of People Exiting Homelessness into Permanent Housing	234%
Average Length of Time Homeless	(17%)
Percent of People Who Return to Homelessness	(1.5%)
Number of People with Successful Placements from Street Outreach	867%