



TAMI RITTER, CHAIR  
*Supervisor, District #3*

TOD KIMMELSHUE, VICE CHAIR  
*Supervisor, District #4*

BILL CONNELLY  
*Supervisor, District #1*

PETER DURFEE  
*Supervisor, District #2*

DOUG TEETER  
*Supervisor, District #5*

ZACH BROWN  
*Councilmember, Biggs*

BRYCE GOLDSTEIN  
*Councilmember, Chico*

BRUCE JOHNSON  
*Vice Mayor, Gridley*

ERIC SMITH  
*Vice Mayor, Oroville*

RON LASSONDE  
*Councilmember, Paradise*

STEPHEN ERTLE  
*Air Pollution Control Officer*

PATRICK LUCEY  
*Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer*

## ***Draft Minutes of the Butte County Air Quality Management District Governing Board of Directors Meeting of April 23, 2026***

### Members Present:

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| Bill Connelly   | Supervisor, District 1  |
| Peter Durfee    | Supervisor, District 2  |
| Tami Ritter     | Supervisor, District 3  |
| Bryce Goldstein | Councilmember, Chico    |
| Zach Brown      | Councilmember, Biggs    |
| Bruce Johnson   | Councilmember, Gridley  |
| Eric Smith      | Vice Mayor, Oroville    |
| Ron Lassonde    | Councilmember, Paradise |

### Members Absent:

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| Tod Kimmelshue | Supervisor, District 4 |
| Doug Teeter    | Supervisor, District 5 |

### Staff Present:

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| Stephen Ertle | Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO)            |
| Patrick Lucey | Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer (AAPCO) |
| Aleah Ing     | Administrative Services Officer                 |
| Kelly Towne   | Clerk of the Board                              |

### Staff Remote:

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| Jason Mandly  | Senior Air Quality Planner            |
| Samuel Nassie | Air Quality Compliance Specialist, II |

### Others Present:

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| Michelle Mittman | Chico State |
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### Others Remote:

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| Jeff Krisa       | Brighton Energy |
| Carrie Schroeder | Smith & Newell  |

Public comments are accepted before and during the meeting by emailing [ktowne@bcaqmd.org](mailto:ktowne@bcaqmd.org).

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Chair Tami Ritter called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, California.

## **Agenda Item 3.1**

**2. Additions and Deletions to the Consent or Regular Agenda.**

No additions or deletions.

**3. Consent Agenda.**

- 3.1** Minutes of the April 23, 2026, Meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 3.2** Activity Report on Butte County Air Quality Management District Activities.
- 3.3** Status Report on Calendar of Events.
- 3.4** Status Report on Communications.
- 3.5** Financial Status Report for Fiscal Year 2025-26.
- 3.6** 3rd Quarter Grant Revenue Report.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Approve Consent Agenda Items.**

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Connelly and seconded by Supervisor Durfee to approve the Consent Agenda Items.**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee(second), Supervisor Connelly(motion), Councilmember Goldstein, Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Johnson, Councilmember Lassonde and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue and Supervisor Teeter.

**ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**4. Items removed from the Consent Agenda for Board consideration and actions.**

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda.

**5. FY 2024-25 Fiscal Audit Report.**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Accept and file the FY2024-25 Fiscal Audit Report.

The Fiscal Audit Report was presented by Aleah Ing, Administrative Services Officer, and Carrie Schroeder from Smith & Newell.

Board comments: Discussion ensued.

Public comments: None.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Durfee and seconded by Vice Mayor Smith to accept the FY 2024-25 Fiscal Audit Report.**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee(motion), Supervisor Connelly, Councilmember Goldstein, Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Johnson, Councilmember Lassonde and Vice Mayor Smith(second).

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue and Supervisor Teeter.

**6. GASB 68, CalPERS Pension Valuation Report, & CEPPT Trust Balance.**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Receive report and approve CalPERS Annual Valuation reports for CLASSIC and PEPRA ending 6/30/2024 and the CalPERS CEPPT Account Summary Report as of 6/30/2024.

The GASB 68, CalPERS Pension Valuation Report, & CEPPT Trust Balance report was presented by Aleah Ing, Administrative Services Officer.

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Durfee and seconded by Councilmember Goldstein to accept the GASB 68, CalPERS Pension Valuation Report, & CEPPT Trust Balance.**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee(motion), Supervisor Connelly, Councilmember Goldstein(second), Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Johnson, Councilmember Lassonde and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue and Supervisor Teeter.

**7. GASB 75, ARC OPEB Valuation and Disclosure Reports.**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Accept and file the OPEB June 30, 2025, Valuation and June 30, 2026, Disclosure Reports and the CalPERS CERBT Account Summary Report for 12/31/2025.

The GASB 75, ARC OPEB Valuation and Disclosure Report was presented by Aleah Ing, Administrative Services Officer.

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Durfee and seconded by Councilmember Goldstein to accept and file the OPEB June 30, 2025, Valuation and June 30, 2026, Disclosure Reports and the CalPERS CERBT Account Summary Report for 12/31/2025.**

AYES: Supervisor Ritter, Supervisor Durfee(motion), Supervisor Connelly, Councilmember Goldstein(second), Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Johnson, Councilmember Lassonde and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue and Supervisor Teeter.

**8. CAP Incentive Project (2024-2025 Final Approval).**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve projects under Option 1 or Option 2.

The CAP Incentive Project (2024-2025 Final Approval) was presented by Jason Mandly, Senior Air Quality Planner. Jeff Krisa and Michelle Mittman spoke on behalf of Brighton Energy and their application for projects.

Board comments: Discussion ensued.

Public comments: None.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Connelly and seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson to approve Option #2, an amended motion was made by Supervisor Durfee prior to the vote to allocate 65% to Thermalito UESD and 35% to Chico Area Recreation and Park District instead of the even split listed in the report. Motion amendment was accepted by Supervisor Connelly and the vote was taken.**

AYES: Supervisor Durfee, Supervisor Connelly(motion), Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Johnson(second), and Vice Mayor Smith.

NOES: Supervisor Ritter, Councilmember Goldstein, and Councilmember Lassonde.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: Supervisor Kimmelshue and Supervisor Teeter.

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**9. Toxics Status Report (EICG/CTR/PCBTF/Acrolein).**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None. This Item is provided for information and discussion.

The Toxics Status Report (EICG/CTR/PCBTF/Acrolein) was presented by Patrick Lucey, APCO.

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

**10. PM2.5 Maintenance Plan Development Status Report.**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None. This Item is provided for information and discussion.

The PM2.5 Maintenance Plan Development Status Report was presented by Jason Mandly, Senior Air Quality Planner.

Board comments: None.

Public comments: None.

**11. Annual AQ Report.**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None. This Item is provided for information and discussion.

The Annual AQ Report was presented by Jason Mandly, Senior Air Quality Planner.

Board comments: Discussion ensued.

Public comments: None.

**12. Other Business.** No other business was presented.

**13. Public Comment Period.** Any person may address the Board of Directors on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Board that is not on the agenda for this meeting. Any person may address the Board on an agenda item when that time is called. The Chair requests that each person addressing the Board limits their presentation to five (5) minutes.

**14. Adjourn to Closed Session.** No closed session.

**15. The meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m. The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Butte County Association of Governments Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico, California.**



Stephen Ertle, Air Pollution Control Officer  
Butte County Air Quality Management District

I hereby attest that this is a true and correct copy of the action taken by the Butte County Air Quality Management District Board of Directors on April 23, 2026.

ATTEST:   
Kelly Towne, Clerk of the Governing Board