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Dear Mr. Nordberg,

On July 7, 2015, Glenn County elected to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for all the portions of the Colusa, Corning, and West Butte Subbasins of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin within the boundaries of Glenn County. A notification of such election was submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) on July 7, 2015. DWR posted the notice July 9, 2015.

Glenn County applied for, and received facilitation support services to advance discussions within Glenn County to resolve overlap and develop governance for the three subbasins located partially within Glenn County. Since that time, Glenn County has been actively engaged in this process.

Through this facilitated process, a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) was developed to form a multi-agency GSA (Glenn Groundwater Authority) covering the Glenn County portion of the Colusa Subbasin. On June 20, 2017, Glenn County approved the execution of the JPA. Each member agency has presented the JPA to its respective Board and all have approved the JPA. The Glenn Groundwater Authority is currently comprised of nine member agencies, many of which had previously submitted notifications to DWR. Each member agency that had previous notified DWR of its election to become a GSA is committed to withdrawing its posted notice for the portions of the Colusa Subbasin within Glenn County. The County will be acting as the administrator for the Glenn Groundwater Authority and will request withdrawal for the Glenn County areas of the Colusa Subbasin posted notices in a separate letter. A new notice will be created for the Glenn Groundwater Authority to serve as the GSA for the Glenn County portions of the Colusa Subbasin.

The Corning Subbasin is following a similar process in the creation of a multi-agency GSA. On June 27, 2017, Glenn County approved the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District. The Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District will be considering the MOA at their regular board meeting July 6, 2017. Once the MOA is approved by both parties, the posted notice for both agencies will be withdrawn and a new notice for the Corning Subbasin GSA will be submitted. There is a commitment by both parties to ensure coordinated sustainable management in the Glenn County portions of the Corning Subbasin with the intent to work collaboratively with the Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District which is the exclusive GSA for the Tehama County portion of the subbasin. The County has chosen to modify its shapefile and attached map (Exhibit A) to reflect the Glenn County GSA for the Glenn County portions of the Corning Subbasin until such time that the MOA takes effect and a new notice may be submitted.

In the West Butte Subbasin, several agencies have posted notices informing DWR of their election to become a GSA. The County has negotiated with the agencies within Glenn County and has worked collaboratively with neighboring counties to advance discussions to resolve overlap in the West Butte Subbasin. The agencies within Glenn County have committed to modify any posted notices to only include areas within their respective service areas. On June 27, 2017, Glenn County approved a modification to the County's posted notice to modify the County GSA boundary in the West Butte Subbasin to cover only the portions of the subbasin not within the service area of another GSA. This will be reflected in modified shapefiles and attached map, Exhibit B. Every agency within the West Butte Subbasin has committed to a collaborative approach for Groundwater Sustainability Plan(s) development and coordination. The agencies within the West Butte Subbasin include County of Glenn, County of Butte, County of Colusa, Western Canal Water District, Reclamation District 1004, Reclamation District 2106, Durham Irrigation District, and City of Chico.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lisa", followed by a long, sweeping horizontal stroke.

Lisa Hunter
Water Resource Coordinator
County of Glenn

Exhibit A. Glenn County GSA– Corning Subbasin

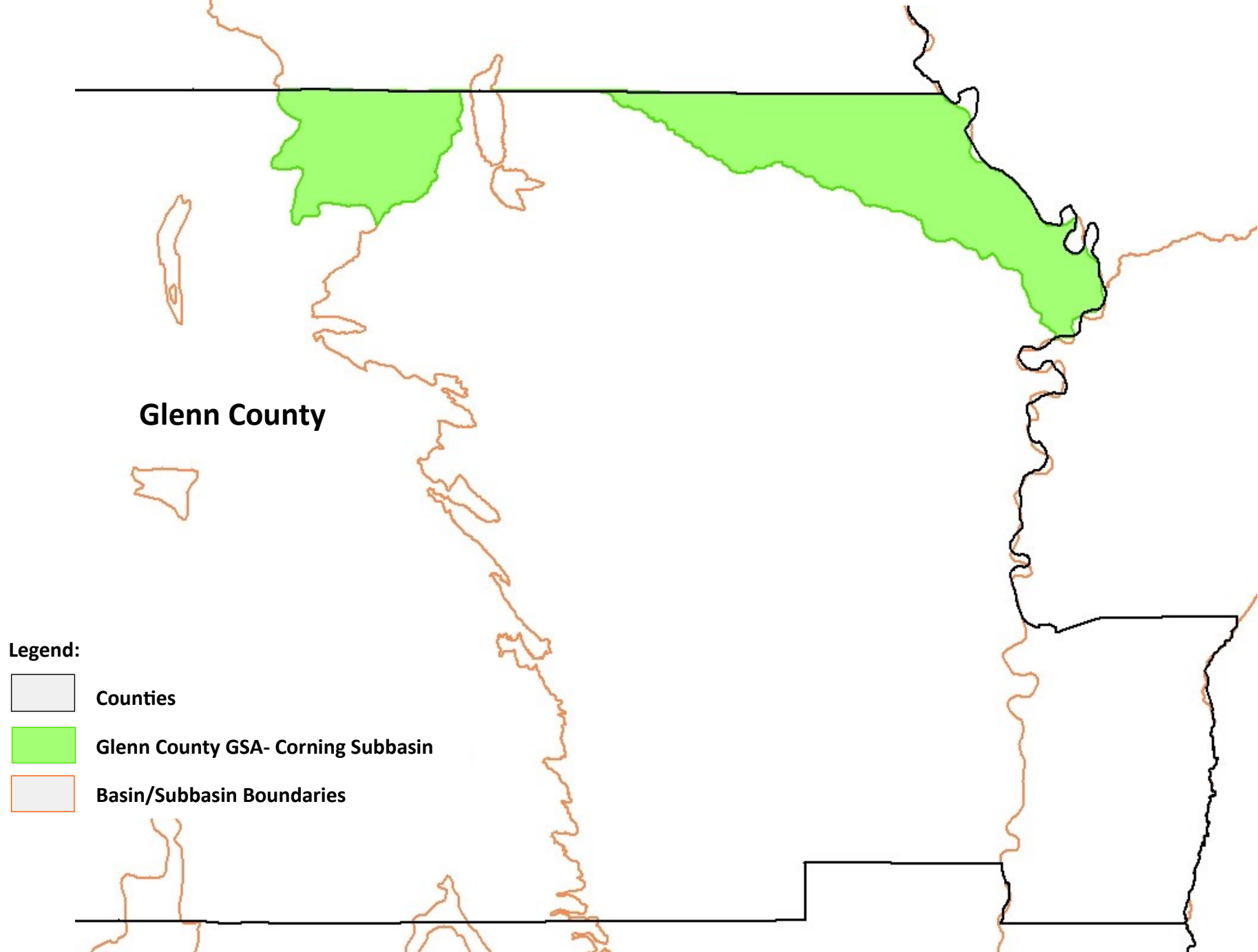


Exhibit B. West Butte Subbasin

