

**Attachment 2: Statement of Eligibility
Identification and Evaluation of Groundwater Recharge in Butte
County**

Is the applicant a local public agency as defined in the California Water Code §10701(a)?

Yes, Butte County is a local agency (County) as defined in the California Water Code §10701(a).

What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?

Butte County was formed as a political subdivision of the State of California with police powers as described in the California Constitution.

Does the applicant have legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?

Yes. At the June 26, 2012 meeting of the Butte County Board of Supervisors, the Board approved a resolution authorizing and directing the Butte County Department of Water and Resource Conservation to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations and file an application, and execute a grant agreement with the California Department of Water Resources.

Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of project and tracking funds.

Functioning as a political subdivision of the State of California, the County of Butte has police powers bestowed through the California Constitution which have been carried out by this local agency since its inception.

On a regional basis, the Counties of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Tehama, Shasta and Sutter have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and accompanying Addendums One through Four that provide for the sharing of data, information and regional cooperation on water resource issues.