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February Community Water Forum

Chico, California –

Come get your feet wet in the world of water policy. Start now, and learn the fundamentals about where our water comes from and where it goes. We will be discussing these basics at our **H2O Origins forum** presented by Becky Holden, Assistant Director of Butte Environmental Council. This forum will be held Wednesday, February 8th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the new ARTS building in Room 111 on the CSU Chico campus (next to Madison Bear Garden).

"We decided to offer the water basics presentation again this February to give more community members a starting point to join our conversation." said Natalie Carter, Executive Director for Butte Environmental Council. "Even better, the forums are now being filmed, and recordings will be made available online for those who cannot attend in person."

H2O Origins is a forum designed to provide basic water knowledge to both the campus and local communities. Local environmental groups have come together to inform community members about current water issues affecting California. Come find out what you can do to help! Water is so important, especially after years of drought. With new legislation, the future of water in our region is unknown. Join a discussion and become involved in the decisions made about our water before it is too late.

"I am really excited to see how successful these events are becoming. It is amazing to see so many community members interested in these issues and wanting to become involved!" shared Alison Divine, Environmental Advocates Director for the Community Legal Information Center.

The forum is part of a larger "community water forum" series, a monthly educational event hosted by *Community Legal Information Center: Environmental Advocates*, Butte Environmental Council, Citizens Water Watch, Center for Water and the Environment, Sacramento River Preservation Trust, and California State University Chico. The first forums were held last year in October, November, and December.

To be included in the monthly forum's email list, contact aseadirector@csuchico.edu. For more information visit our website www.becnet.org or call the Butte Environmental Council at (530) 891-6424 with questions!

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Community Legal Information Center (CLIC) is a student-run non-profit organization that provides free legal information in 11 different areas of the law. Environmental Advocates (EA) focuses on promoting environmental quality and is available to answer most environmental law questions.

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The Butte Environmental Council is a non-profit environmental organization based in Chico, California. BEC's mission is to protect and defend the land, air and water of Butte County and the surrounding region through action, advocacy and education. Since 1975, BEC has played a significant part in shaping the environment and policies of Butte County and surrounding areas.

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