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Colleen,

Thank you for taking the time to discuss the Feather River Regional Flood Management Plan (FRRFMP) with me. Per our discussion I have attached a fact sheet and a copy of the presentation that we gave at our June 5<sup>th</sup> public workshop in Marysville. These provide some good background information on the planning process.

As I explained one of our key goals of the Feather plan is to provide flood control improvements to support continued agriculture while preserving existing agriculture lands. Some of our ideas will be to evaluate structural improvements to increase protection for small communities and rural areas; promote agriculture as beneficial to habitat and ecosystem with enhancements to improve those ecological values (i.e. agriculture buffers, trees adjacent to alfalfa for nesting raptors, and other programs similar to those currently offered through NRCS); and programs to secure agriculture conservation easements on willing property owners to limit future residential development in rural areas in the floodplain. These are a few of the ideas that have come up so far and we are seeking input on these and any ideas the agricultural community could support that would help improve flood protection in our region.

We would be willing to come up and meet with you, your land use committee, or even your entire Board to discuss the planning process, answer any questions, and take any input that could be provided. Additionally, if you provide contact information for 1 or 2 key representatives we can add them to our distribution list for specific review and input as we work through the various components of our plan. Please let us know what would work best for the Butte Farm Bureau. As I explained we have a preliminary draft of the plan in internal review now and would hope to be ready to share by the end of August. It is a very fluid plan with projects being added and revised as we continue to receive input from the various stakeholders. The agriculture portion of our plan is still being developed as we have some economic research underway so this is a good time to be involved. We will then schedule our second public workshop in October for widespread public input.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions or concerns. We look forward to working with you on this process.

Thank you,

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