

Casey Hatcher Biography

Casey Hatcher was born and raised in rural northern California and lived in small mountain towns because both her parents worked for the U.S. Forest Service. She lived in small towns until moving to Chico, California to attend college in 1999. Ms. Hatcher graduated from California State University, Chico with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing. She began her professional career with a management consulting firm focused on assisting small businesses to start and grow in rural northern California. The hands-on work with small businesses provided her a solid foundation for economic development, and in 2011 she joined Butte County as a member of the economic development unit.

Ms. Hatcher worked on a variety of community development projects early in her career with the County including implementation of disaster recovery assistance for homeowners affected by the 2008 wildfires in Butte County. She became the County's Economic Development Manager in 2016. Ms. Hatcher returned to CSU, Chico and received her Master's in Public Administration in 2017 recognizing the public sector was the perfect fit for her.

Ms. Hatcher has served in in the County's Emergency Operation Center during many activations since 2013 including the 2017 Oroville Dam Spillway Incident, the Wall, Ponderosa, and La Porte/Cherokee fires in 2017, the 2018 Camp Fire, the 2020 North Complex Fire, and the 2021 Dixie Fire. She was promoted to the Deputy, Chief Administrative Officer position and assigned to be the Camp Fire Recovery Director shortly after the 2018 Camp Fire devastated Butte County communities. Ms. Hatcher continues in her role as Camp Fire Recovery Director working closely with the California Office of Emergency Services and FEMA in service to Butte County residents.