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**City of Chico Embarks on Historic Construction Year
Investing over \$60 Million in Community Infrastructure**

(Chico, CA – April 8, 2024) - The City of Chico proudly announces its most ambitious construction season to date, with a groundbreaking \$60 million in awarded construction contracts slated for the 2024 construction year. This milestone marks a significant leap forward, nearly tripling previous years' efforts and underscoring the city's unwavering commitment to delivering on City Council priorities.

Among the significant projects slated for completion are:

- **Bruce Road Widening:** Extending from State Route 32 to Skyway, this project aims to enhance traffic flow and accessibility.
- **Bikeway 99 – Phase 5 Pedestrian Overcrossing:** Over 20th Street, enhancing bicycle and pedestrian safety and connectivity.
- **Esplanade Safety & Accessibility:** Spanning from Memorial Way to 11th Avenue, focusing on improving safety and accessibility along this vital corridor, including traffic improvements at Memorial Way / Oleander Avenue and E 1st Avenue / Oleander Avenue.
- **Upper Park Road Pavement Treatment:** From Wildwood Park to Monkey Face parking lot, enhancing road quality for park visitors.
- **2024 Road Rehabilitation Project:** Covering Rio Lindo Avenue, Notre Dame Boulevard – E 20th Street to Skyway, revitalizing key roadways.
- **2024 Pavement Preservation Project:** Including local roads east of Notre Dame Blvd – Webster Drive, Parkhurst Street, etc., as well as Stilson Canyon Road, prioritizing the preservation of local infrastructure.

This substantial investment in transportation infrastructure underscores the City of Chico's dedication to maximizing the impact of taxpayer dollars. Funding sources for these projects include Measure H Sales Tax dollars, gas-tax revenues, waste hauler franchise revenues, and State and Federal grant funds secured by dedicated city staff.

"We anticipate the successful completion of these transformative community projects and extend our gratitude for the community's patience during the construction period. Please also use caution when driving through construction zones for the safety of the workers and the traveling public." said Brendan Ottoboni, Director of Public Works-Engineering.

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Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the world. For more information, visit www.chico.ca.us.

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