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**CITY OF CHICO  
BIDWELL PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION (BPPC)**

Regular Meeting Agenda  
December 13, 2021, 6:00 pm  
City Council Chambers - 421 Main Street

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**1. REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

- 1.1. Call to Order
- 1.2. Roll Call

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are to be considered routine and enacted by one motion.

**2.1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

**Action:** Approve minutes of BPPC meeting held on 10/25/21.

**2.2. PERMIT FOR FROST OR FOG 5K, 1/4 MARATHON AND 10 MILE RACE IN MIDDLE AND UPPER PARK ON 1/22/2022.**

Under the Sun Events requests a permit to host the Frost or Fog race on Saturday, January 22, 2022 that starts and ends at the Five Mile Recreation Area and extends into Middle and Upper Park. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> year for this event.

**Action:** Conditional approval of the permit

**3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT- IF ANY**

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE**

## 5. REGULAR AGENDA

### 5.1. UPDATE ON THE FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT.

The Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) will receive an update on the final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the City's Upper Bidwell Park Road Sediment Reduction Project (Project), which includes responses to the comments received during the public comment period. **(Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager).**

**Recommendation:** None, this is an informational item only.

### 5.2. UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF SOLUTIONS FOR THE UNHOUSED IN CITY PARKS AND GREENWAYS

At its 10/25/21 meeting, the BPPC approved Commissioner Thomas-Petty's request to receive a current update on the unhoused population and situation in the City's parks and waterways for discussion related to assessing and repairing damages to the parks, greenways and waterways. **(Verbal Report – Erik Gustafson, Director of Public Works – Operations & Maintenance).**

**Recommendation:** None, this is an informational item only.

### 5.3. CONSIDERATION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE ELECTRIC BICYCLE AD-HOC COMMITTEE.

At its 10/25/21 meeting, the BPPC approved forming an Ad-Hoc Committee to establish a policy regarding the use of electric bicycles on trails and other areas in Bidwell Park. The BPPC appointed Commissioners Thomas-Petty, McCreary, and Willis to serve on the Committee. Staff is seeking additional information on the composition of the Ad-Hoc Committee in regard to its size and desired targeted stakeholder groups. **(Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager).**

**Recommendation:** That the BPPC provide further direction regarding the E-Bike Ad-Hoc Committee composition.

## 6. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Members of the public may address the Commission at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda, with comments being limited to three minutes or as determined by the Chair. The Committee cannot take any action on requests made under this section of the agenda at this meeting.

## 7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

These items are provided for the Commission's information. Although the Commission may discuss the items, no action can be taken at this meeting. Should the Commission determine that action is required, the item or items may be included for action on a subsequent posted agenda.

7.1 Parks Division Report – Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager

7.2 Street Tree Division Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on **1/31/22 at 6:00 p.m.** to be held in the Chico City Council Chamber Building located at 421 Main Street in Chico, California.



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**CITY OF CHICO  
BIDWELL PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION (BPPC)  
MINUTES OF THE  
OCTOBER 25, 2021 MEETING**

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**1. REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Chair Glatz at 6:00 pm.

**1.2 Roll Call**

**Commissioners Present:**

Jeff Glatz  
Jesse Alexander  
Nancy Wolfe  
Megan Thomas-Petty  
Paul McCreary  
Larry Willis

**Commissioners Absent:**

Anjanette Shadley

**Staff Present:**

Erik Gustafson (Public Works Director O&M)  
Linda Herman (Park and Natural Resource Manager)  
Richie Bamlet (Urban Forest Manager)  
Dani Rogers (Deputy City Clerk)  
Kathleen Collier (Admin Assistant)

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are to be considered routine and enacted by one motion.

**2.1 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

**Action:** Approve minutes of BPPC meeting held on 08/30/21

**2.2 PERMIT FOR THE BIDWELL BUMP MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE IN MIDDLE AND UPPER PARK ON NOVEMBER 6, 2021**

Shawn Hughes from Bidwell Bump (Applicant) requested a permit to hold a mountain bike race in Middle and Upper Bidwell Park on 11/6/21. Commission approval was required for this event because the use of Upper Park trails for the race is considered an intensive use.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wolfe and seconded by Commissioner Alexander to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Alexander, Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner Wolfe, and Chair Glatz

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Shadley

ABSTAIN: Commissioner McCreary, Commissioner Willis

**3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT – NONE**

**4. OFFICIAL CEREMONY**

**4.1 SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONERS**

- ❖ Paul McCreary
- ❖ Larry Willis

Deputy City Clerk Dani Rogers officially swore in the new Commissioners.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE**

**6. REGULAR AGENDA**

**6.1. RECEIPT OF COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT**

The Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) reviewed a Draft Initial Study and a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the City's Upper Bidwell Park Road Sediment Reduction Project (Project). A Notice of Intent to Adopt the IS/MND was issued on 10/04/21, which started the 30-day public comment period. The Draft IS/MND is available on the City's website at <https://chico.ca.us/post/upper-bidwell-park-road-sediment-reduction-project>. Comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday November 2, 2021. (*Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager*).

**Recommendation:** None - this was an informational item only. The BPPC will provide its comments, if any, and accept comments from the public on the Draft IS/MND. All comments received will be addressed in the Final IS/MND.

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There were no comments from the public on this item.

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Commissioner Glatz requested that the Final MND and any comments received by the end of the comment period be brought back as an information item when completed.

**6.2. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF REGULATIONS REGARDING ELECTRIC BICYCLE USE IN BIDWELL PARK**

At its 8/30/21 meeting, the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC) considered background information regarding whether to establish a policy regarding the use of electric bicycles on trails and other areas in Bidwell Park. The BPPC directed Staff to research options and continued this discussion to a future BPPC meeting. (*Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager*).

**Recommendation:** Staff recommended the Commission:

1. Establish an Ad-Hoc Committee to provide recommendations on an e-bike and electric mountain bike policy for Bidwell Park.
2. Appoint one or two Commissioners to the Committee.
3. Authorize Staff to solicit applications from representatives of the local bicycle community and other stakeholder groups to be considered for appointment to the Committee by the BPPC.

After receiving interest from three Commissioners, Chair Glatz motioned to create an Ad-Hoc Committee with an expanded scope to include other traffic and vehicle safety issues, and to assign Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner McCreary, and Commissioner Willis to the Committee. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion.

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There were no comments from the public on this item.

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After additional discussion from the Commissioners, Chair Glatz pulled his motion to expand the scope of the Ad-Hoc committee and re-nominated Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner McCreary, and Commissioner Willis to the Committee. Commissioner Willis seconded.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Alexander, Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner Wolfe, Chair Glatz, Commissioner McCreary and Commissioner Willis

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Shadley

### **6.3. UPDATE ON POTENTIAL USES FOR THE HORSESHOE PIT AREA IN LOWER BIDWELL PARK**

At its 7/26/21 meeting, the BPPC considered ideas on how to improve the horseshoe pit area in the One Mile Recreation Area in Lower Bidwell Park after the horseshoe pits were removed due to their poor condition and disrepair. The Commission directed Staff to look into the costs and feasibility of installing Bocce Ball courts in the area and to report back to the Commission. **(Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager).**

After receiving a report from the P&NRM regarding the high costs and the ongoing maintenance needs for Bocce ball courts, the Commission directed staff to look at some of the other options and to come back with a proposal and a proposed budget at a future meeting.

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There were no comments from the public on this item.

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### **6.4. CONSIDERATION OF FORMING AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A MASCOT OR PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN FOR ENFORCING BIDWELL PARK RULES**

At its 8/30/21 meeting, BPPC heard Chair Glatz's idea to develop some form of animal mascot or a friendlier image to help inform the public of the rules and regulations for Bidwell Park. Chair Glatz is requesting that the Commission consider forming an Ad-Hoc Committee consisting of no more than two BPPC members to work with an intern to develop this outreach concept. **(Report – Jeff Glatz, BPPC Chair).**

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There were no comments from the public on this item.

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Vice-Chair Thomas Petty made a motion to establish this Ad-Hoc committee consisting Commissioner McCreary and Chair Glatz to develop a marketing and outreach program for Bidwell Park. Chair Glatz seconded the motion.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Alexander, Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner Wolfe, Chair Glatz, Commissioner McCreary and Commissioner Willis

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Shadley

**7. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR** – There was no Business From the Floor.

**8. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

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**8.1** Parks Division Report – Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager

**8.2.** Street Tree Division Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager

**9. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS**

Pursuant to AP&P 10-1, a majority vote of the Commission is needed in order to agendize these items for discussion at a future meeting. At this meeting, public comment may be taken only whether to agendize these items. If approved to be agendized, public comment regarding the items themselves will be taken at a future BPPC meeting.

**9.1.** By email dated 10/22/21, Vice-Chair Thomas Petty requested to receive a current update on the transient population/situation in the City's parks and waterways, only for discussion related to assessing and repairing damages to the parks, greenways, and waterways.

Chair Glatz made a motion to have staff provide a basic report or "current update on the health and well-being of the parks, greenways, and waterways". Vice-Chair Thomas Petty seconded the motion.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Alexander, Vice-Chair Thomas Petty, Commissioner Wolfe, Chair Glatz, Commissioner McCreary and Commissioner Willis

NOES: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Shadley

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 7:11 pm to the next regular BPPC meeting on November 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. to be held in the Chico City Council Chamber Building, located at 421 Main Street in Chico, California. ***(Please note this is not on the last Monday of the month due to Thanksgiving holiday week.)***

Date Approved: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Prepared by:

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Kathleen Collier, Administrative Assistant  
Distribution: BPPC

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Date



# BPPC Staff Report

Meeting Date: 12/13/2021

DATE: 12/10/21  
 TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission  
 FROM: Kathleen Collier, Administrative Assistant  
 SUBJECT: Permit for Under the Sun Events – Frost or Fog 5k, 6.55 Mile and 10 Mile Race in Middle and Upper Park

### REPORT IN BRIEF:

Under the Sun Events requests a permit to host a race that starts at the Five Mile Recreation Area and extends into Middle and Upper Park on Saturday, January 22, 2022. This race has been held for 10 years and the Commission is considering this item because it is in a non-intensive use area.

**Recommendation:** *Conditional approval.*

### Event Details

Date of Application	11/19/2021
Date of Event	1/22/2022
Time of Event	7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Reservation - Event is from 9 am to Noon
Event Name	Frost or Fog 5k, ¼ Marathon and 10 Mile Run
Applicant Name	Jeff Merrell
Location	5 Mile Picnic Area to Middle and Upper Bidwell Park
Description	Trail run from 5 Mile Picnic Area all the way to B Trail on Upper Park Rd.
New Event?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No. Years? 10
# Participants	300
Amount of Fees Paid	\$420
Reason for BPPC Consideration?	Not an intensive use area.
BPMMP Consideration	Running is a permissible use under the Bidwell Park Master Management Plan (BPMMP). The plan also notes that Upper Park is a protected area for non-intensive recreational uses and non-intensive wilderness compatible recreation shall be provided in Upper Park (O.Upper-2; I. Upper-1). The use of Upper Park trails for the race is considered an intensive use and requires BPPC approval.

### Conditions

Staff recommends the following conditions:

1. Continued adherence to all park rules.
2. The applicant must provide sufficient monitoring to keep racers on the established route as well as direct traffic where the route crosses the road. Adequate free standing signage must also be in place in order to ensure racers follow the established routes and also to notify other park users of the event.
3. Much of the route is along paths or trails that can accommodate use during more wet conditions (Middle Park trails south of Upper Park Rd to Five Mile Way). The applicant has agreed to move the route to paved paths and roads in the case of a wet weather closure of the trails. The revised course will be subject to Park Division approval.
4. The applicant will need to do a final inspection of the race courses at the conclusion of the event and remove all signs and course markings as well as pick up any associated trash.

**Attachments:** A. Application & Permit for Park Use/Maps

**Distribution:** Jeff Merrell



**City of Chico**  
**Application & Permit for Park Use**  
**Public Works Department - Park Division**

<b>Number of People:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> 150 or less	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 151 or more	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special Event

**SECTION 1 - APPLICATION INFORMATION**  
**Must be 18 or older to submit an application - Permit fees due upon submittal**

**This Reservation is not valid until approved by the Park Division**

Name of Applicant/Contact Person

Organization Name (if applicable)

Home, Organization, or Company Address

City, State, Zip

Contact Phone No. Alternate Phone No.

Description of Event (Family BBQ, walk/run)\* Additional room at bottom of page

Day and Date of Event

From:  To:    
Time of Event only No. of People

From:  To:   
**(Total time needed for set-up, Event, and clean-up)**

Email Address

**Note: Park gates will not remain closed beyond normal opening time for any Event with less than 1,000 people. All races with less than 1,000 people at One Mile must start before 8:30 am. Street closure(s) subject to a separate permit and approval. Use of 50 or 100 amp requires a certified electrician (See Section 2).**

**Area Requested: (Please check if requested)**

- Five Mile Picnic Area**  East  West
  - BBQ - Pick up key Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
- Cedar Grove Picnic Area**  **Cedar Grove Meadow**
  - Electricity (15 amp)  Water
  - Water (Public Events Only)  Electricity (100 amp)
  - Electricity (50 amp)
- Bidwell Bowl Amphitheater**
  - Electricity (15 amp)

- One Mile Picnic/Barbecue Area**  
**Sycamore Field not included. Contact CARD to reserve**
  - Oak Grove A**  **Oak Grove B**
    - Electricity (15 amp)
    - Band Stand (15 amp)
    - BBQ - Pick up key Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
    - Water is available, but no hose bib**

**Note: Special conditions apply for amplified sound and 100 amp electricity (12R.10.170 CMC).**

- City Plaza (Additional fees may apply)**
  - Electricity (15 amp)  Electricity (100 amp)
  - Event Restrooms  Water
  - Fountain:  on  off
  - Meter Bags #
- Council Ring**
  - Fire Permit
- Depot Park**
  - Electricity (15 amp)
- Lower Bidwell Park (Public Events only)**

- Children's Playground**
  - Electricity (15 amp) Pick up key Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
  - Electricity (100 amp)
  - Water (Public Events Only)
- Picnic Site No. 37 (Redwood Grove) No vehicle access before 11 am**
- Upper Bidwell Park (Public Events only)**
- Other (Specify):**
- Early Entrance Needed (Public Events only)**

\*Additional Description of the Event (if needed)

**For Park Ranger Assistance during the Event call 530-897-4900 (Police Department Dispatch).**

**Office Distribution:**

Permit File (original)	Park Ranger 1	Senior Park Ranger	Applicant	BPPC	Cleaning Service	Facilities
Park Field Supervisor	Park Ranger 2	Calendar	920 Fund	DCBA	Risk Management (email)	CPD



## SECTION 2 - EVENT INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions by checking "yes" or "no"

Is this an annual event? If so, how many years have you been holding this event? <input style="width: 200px;" type="text" value="10 years"/>	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is there a patron admission, entry, or participant fee(s) required for your event? If fee is charged, how much is the fee? <input style="width: 100px;" type="text" value="\$25+"/>	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will there be amplified sound/music at the event? (Please see the Noise Conditions for Park Use in Section 4)	Yes	No
Specify type (microphone, band, radio, PA system etc.): <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Microphone and music"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
When will amplified sound/music be heard? Time from: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text" value="9:00 am"/> to: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text" value="11:30 am"/>		
<b>Note: 50 / 100 amp electrical service requires a certified electrician to operate.</b>		
Will there be an entertainment apparatus anywhere? These are only allowed in certain areas of the park. <b>No water apparatus allowed.</b>	Yes	No
<b>Operator to provide proof of insurance to the City Park Division prior to event.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bounce house <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing wall <input type="checkbox"/> Ropes course <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Name of Operator: <input style="width: 250px;" type="text"/>		
Will there be any vendors selling food, merchandise, or services at this event? (no glass or alcohol permitted)	Yes	No
If selling food, please describe how it will be prepared at the event: <input style="width: 300px;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Valid permit from Butte County Environmental Health is required for all food vendors and must be on hand.</b>		
Will event require that any part of the Park remain closed beyond the normal time of opening?	Yes	No
<b>Note: Park gates will not remain closed beyond normal opening time for any event with less than 1,000 people. All races with less than 1,000 people at One Mile must start before 8:30 am. (Subject to approval by the City Park Division)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please state which gates: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Time of closure: from: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>		
Will event require overnight storage of property? If yes, how many security or other personnel will be provided? <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Will there be early entrance (before 7 am) into the Park? (An additional fee will be charged) Note: Gate monitors are required at all the entrances and exits for early Park entrance until gates open at 9 am.	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, when will monitors be at their positions? Time from: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>		
<b>Portable Restrooms:</b> You are required to rent portable restrooms for events with 200+ participants in the immediate area of the event site which will be available to the public during your event.	Yes	No
Restroom company: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Johnny on the Spot"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text" value="(530) 893-5687"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Location(s) of portable restrooms: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text"/>		
<b>Note: Restrooms shall be removed within 32 hours after conclusion of event.</b>		
<b>Trash and Recycling:</b> As an event organizer, you must properly recycle or dispose of waste during your event and immediately after the event. The area must be returned to a clean condition. For events with 200+ participants, additional trash and recycling cans are required at applicant's cost. Note: Containers shall be removed within 32 hours after conclusion of event.	Yes	No
Trash company: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="event organizer"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text" value="(530) 966-3858"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will your event include the use of any signs, banners, or decorations? (Please see Conditions for Park Use in Section 4)	Yes	No
If yes, please describe type and location: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Note: All signs and banners shall be free standing and not affixed to trees or Park property.</b>		
Will water be needed during your event? If yes, for what purpose:	Yes	No
<b>Please provide your own hose and shut-off nozzle. No hose bib is available at One Mile Recreation Area.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this a walk, run or bike race event?	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If so, are you using the standard race course? If not, please provide a map.	Yes	No
<b>Note: Not using the standard race course requires Bidwell Park &amp; Playground Commission (BPPC) approval.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>One Mile / Sycamore Field:</b> If this is a One Mile reservation, will Sycamore Field be needed?	Yes	No
<b>If yes, you will need to contact CARD at 545 Vallombrosa Ave. Chico (530) 895-4711.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>City Plaza Only: Vehicles are not allowed in City Plaza. Loading and unloading must occur from the streets. Meter bags for loading and unloading may be obtained from the City by calling: (530) 896-7800.</b>		
Will vendors be placed on the perimeter sidewalks?	Yes	No
<b>If yes, a Vend, Peddler, Hawk permit must be obtained from the Engineering Division at 411 Main Street, Chico (530) 879-6900.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will City street closure(s) be needed?	Yes	No
<b>If yes, a separate permit must be obtained from the Engineering Division at 411 Main Street, Chico (530) 879-6900.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## SECTION 3 - PERMIT FEES

### Park Reservation Fees for 150 or Fewer People Fees based on venue & not applicable to weddings

Reservation Locations	Fee	No. of Days	Total
Bidwell Bowl - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Bidwell Bowl - Full Day	\$100		
Cedar Grove Picnic Area - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Cedar Grove Picnic Area - Full Day	\$75		
Cedar Grove Meadow - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Cedar Grove Meadow - Full Day	\$75		
Children's Playground - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$30		
Children's Playground - Full Day	\$55		
City Plaza - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
City Plaza - Full Day	\$75		
Council Ring - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Council Ring - Full Day	\$75		
Depot Park - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$30		
Depot Park - Full Day	\$55		
Five Mile East - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Five Mile West - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
Five Mile East - Full Day	\$75		
Five Mile West - Full Day	\$75		
One Mile Oak Grove A - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
One Mile Oak Grove B - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
One Mile Oak Grove A - Full Day	\$75		
One Mile Oak Grove B - Full Day	\$75		
One Mile Oak Grove A & B - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$75		
One Mile Oak Grove A & B - Full Day	\$125		
Picnic Site No. 37 (Redwood Grove) - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$30		
Picnic Site No. 37 (Redwood Grove) - Full Day	\$55		
Other Areas** - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$30		
Other Areas** - Full Day	\$55		

**\*\*Other Areas Require BPPC Approval**

### Park Reservation Fees for 151 or more people, or Special Events such as weddings and walks/runs Fees based on number of people

Description	Fee		Total
Application Processing Fee	\$40		40
Damage Deposit Fee (Refundable)	\$150		150
<b>Event Fees Based on Number of Participants</b>			
1 - 150	\$75		
151 - 250	\$150		
251 - 500	\$230		230
501 - 1,000	\$525		
1,001 plus (see line below)	\$750		
		<b># over 1001</b>	
\$0.50 per participant exceeding 1001	\$0.50	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Additional Fees Applicable to All Reservations</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>No. of Units</b>	<b>Total</b>
Early Entrance Fee (before 7 am)	\$35 / hour	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Events with vendors selling food, beverages, merchandise, or services	\$10 / vendor	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sound/Electricity (15 amp)	\$15 / day	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sound/Electricity (50 or 100 amp)	\$35 / day	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
City Plaza Additional Restrooms (200 + participants)	\$112.50 / day	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Fees due upon submittal of application Credit Card payment will be assessed a 2.75% convenience fee Make checks payable to: City of Chico	Park Fee Total: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">420</span> Convenience Fee: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> </span> Total Fee Required: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">420</span>
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## SECTION 4 - CONDITIONS FOR PARK USE

You are responsible for knowing the Park Rules. Please observe the following:

<b>Alcohol</b>	Alcohol is not permitted in any City Park or Playground.
<b>BBQs</b>	Portable BBQs ( <b>charcoal or propane only</b> ) may only be used next to existing BBQs in Lower Bidwell Park and Five Mile Recreation Areas, no other areas. No BBQs allowed during Red Flag Fire Warning or high wind advisory days.
<b>Bicycles</b>	<b>Bicycles</b> must observe all California vehicular codes including one-way streets. Riders are expected to be courteous and yield to equestrian and pedestrian traffic. Helmets must be worn at all times in Upper Park, except when on pavement. Riders must stay on designated trails. <b>Bicycle riding is not allowed in Caper Acres or on the Sycamore pool deck.</b>
<b>Bounce Houses</b>	Bounce houses, (except those with water) and other similar non-water play equipment, are only permitted in certain areas with a reservation and upon approval by the Park Division. <b>The operators of this equipment must provide proof of insurance to the Park Division prior to event.</b> Bounce houses are not allowed in Caper Acres.
<b>Campfires</b>	No campfires allowed at any time, except by permit and only in the Council Ring.
<b>Camping</b>	No overnight camping allowed unless authorized by the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission. Bidwell Park is a day use only park.
<b>Clean up</b>	Permittee is required to completely clean up area at the conclusion of event.
<b>Damages</b>	Any damage to City property as a result of this event will be repaired at permittee's expense.
<b>Dogs</b>	Dogs may be off leash from 5:30 am to 8:30 am in Lower Park. All other times, dogs must be on a leash 6 feet in length or less. Along the north side of Upper Park Road, dogs may be off leash anytime. While off leash, dogs must remain under control via master's voice. <b>Dogs are not allowed in Caper Acres, One Mile or Five Mile swimming areas, or designated swimming holes in Upper Park.</b>
<b>Electrical</b>	All power extension cords, sound amplification equipment, and staging to be supplied by permittee. Permittee shall provide "tripping" prevention devices over power cords crossing any pathway.
<b>Fishing</b>	<b>Big Chico Creek:</b> Check California Fish and Wildlife Regulations: <a href="http://www.wildlife.ca.gov">www.wildlife.ca.gov</a> . <b>Horseshoe Lake:</b> Age 14 and over - license required, catch and release. Under 14 - no license required, catch and keep.
<b>Gate Closures</b>	Upper Park gate at Parking Lot E is closed on Sundays, Mondays, during wet periods, and Red Flag Fire Warning days. Gates may be closed for approved special events. For gate opening and closing hours, visit: <a href="http://www.chico.ca.us/park-trails">www.chico.ca.us/park-trails</a> .
<b>Glass</b>	No glass containers allowed in any City Park or Playground.
<b>Horses</b>	Horses must stay on designated trails. Horses are not allowed in One Mile or Five Mile Recreation Areas. Horses must cross the creek at approved crossings. Safe and courteous riding is the Park standard.
<b>Noise</b>	No loud or unusual noises are allowed, including radios and headsets that can be heard over 50 feet away. For music or sound at One Mile Recreation Area, please face all speakers away from Woodland Ave.
<b>Park Closures</b>	Lower Park is closed from 11:00 pm to 5:00 am every day, unless directly and actively proceeding to a destination outside of the Park. Upper Park is closed to vehicles at <b>9:00 pm October - March, and 11:00 pm April - September</b> unless posted otherwise. Park may be closed during Red Flag Fire Warning or high wind advisory days.
<b>Signs/Defacing</b>	Defacing of trees, tables, any park fixtures, open ground, or paved roads/paths with markings, staples, tacks, or signs is prohibited. No pinatas, slack lines, hammocks, or accessories shall be affixed to trees. Only barricades, cones, or self standing devices may be used for these purposes.
<b>Smoking</b>	Smoking or vaping is not permitted in any City Park or Playground.
<b>Swimming</b>	While in the One Mile swim area, compliance with lifeguards is required for public safety. Pool is open and lifeguards are on duty during summer swim season.
<b>Vegetation</b>	No taking, cutting, or injury of any vegetation in the Park is allowed.
<b>Vehicle Traffic</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• While gates are closed, limited use of vehicles to set up for event is permitted. Vehicles must be in compliance with the one-way designation of the roadway, must yield to all other activities (walking, jogging, bicycling, and horseback riding), must travel with flashers on and may not exceed ten (10) miles per hour.</li><li>• Permittee shall provide adequate signs and supervision to avoid conflicts between vehicles, bicycles, equestrians, and general public.</li><li>• Only emergency vehicles will be allowed access through the area of South Park Drive which has been closed to motor vehicles.</li><li>• No vehicles are permitted to travel or park on grass areas.</li></ul>

## SECTION 5 - INSURANCE

(To be determined by Park Division)

### INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL EVENTS WHERE:

"There are more than 150 participants"

Insurance Required

Not Required

For Insurance questions for your event, please contact the Risk Management office  
(530) 879-7910 or email [risk-management@chico.ca.gov](mailto:risk-management@chico.ca.gov)

For liability coverage purposes, it is the applicant and the City of Chico's intent (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"), that this permit is a written contract between the Parties.

Pursuant to the insurance policy related to this permit/written contract, and consistent with the Certificate of Liability Insurance and Additional Insured Endorsements, the Parties hereby attach and incorporate by this reference, the Certificate of Liability Insurance and Additional Insured Endorsements, which are further expressly made a material part of the said permit/written contract between the Parties.

Permittee shall supply, at least two (2) weeks in advance of the scheduled event, a Certificate of Insurance issued by a company licensed to do business in California with a Best's Insurance Guide rating of "B" or better ("A" rated if Company is unlicensed) which provides evidence of comprehensive and general liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit; \$2,000,000 aggregate with policy endorsements as follows:

(1) Identification of permit application, identification of event, date of event.

**Note: Numbers 2 and 3 below must be separate endorsements:**

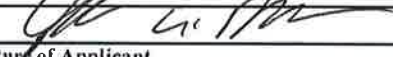
- (2) The City of Chico, its officers, boards of commissions, and members thereof, its employees and agents are covered as additional insureds as respects to any liability arising out of the activities of the names insured.
- (3) The insurance coverages afforded by this policy shall be primary insurance as respects to the City of Chico, its officers, employees, or agents. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City of Chico, its officers, employees, or agents shall be in excess of the insurance afforded to the named insured by this policy and shall not contribute to it.
- (4) An unqualified statement that "The insurer will provide the City at least ten (10) days prior notice of cancellation or material change in coverage" standard Certificate of Insurance cancellation language is not acceptable.

**Please Note: Your reservation may be cancelled if the insurance is not approved at least two weeks prior to the scheduled event.**

## SECTION 6 - ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONS

In signing this Permit, I agree to indemnify and hold the City of Chico and/or the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission free and clear of all claims of damage for injury to persons or property in, upon or about City Parks or Playgrounds, and arising from my use of the Parks and Playgrounds as noted above, and to defend any action against the City of Chico resulting from any such claim, without cost to the City.

**\*I certify that I have read this application thoroughly, followed any and all instructions, understand its contents, will comply with the attached "Conditions for Park Use" in Section 4, will adhere to any additional conditions set forth by this permit, and supplied true and correct information herein to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

  
Signature of Applicant

11/19/21  
Date

### RETURN THIS FORM TO:

City of Chico - Park Division  
Deliver to: 965 Fir Street, Chico, CA 95928  
Mail to: PO Box 3420, Chico, CA 95927  
email to [parkinfo@chico.ca.gov](mailto:parkinfo@chico.ca.gov)

**THIS RESERVATION IS NOT VALID UNTIL ALL FEES ARE PAID AND APPROVED BY THE PARK DIVISION.  
A copy of the approved permit will be returned to you.**

## SECTION 7 - AUTHORIZATION

I certify that I have carefully reviewed this application pursuant to Title 12 and 12R of the Chico Municipal Code and hereby recommend this permit be:

- Approved by Director
- Approved by Director subject to listed additional condition(s):
- Denied by Director
- Approved by Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC)
- Approved by BPPC subject to listed additional condition(s): (see attached conditions)
- Denied by BPPC

Reason for Denial: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Course Start and Finish Lines will be at the 5-Mile Recreation Area.

The run will begin at the west side of 5-Mile Recreation Area on the north side of the bridge that separates 5-Mile and Hooker Oak. The run will continue north on the levee and out the gate. Runners will turn right and stay on the trail that is parallel to Wildwood Avenue and Upper Park Rd. (The run will be on trail unless trails are closed due to weather. If weather is a factor, runners will run on the pavement.) Runners will cross Upper Park Rd at the first parking lot (North Rim Parking Lot) and continue on the trail that connects to the bike path. We will have volunteers directing runners where to go. Runners will use their own discretion for crossing the road when it is safe. We will not close the road for car traffic. Runners will continue on the bike path to the shooting range. 5K runners will turn around at the shooting range (we will have a water station located there) and 10-Mile and ¼ Marathon runners will continue on the road back to Bear Hole. Bear Hole is the ¼ Marathon turnaround point and second aid/water station. 10-Mile runners will continue on Upper Park Rd past Salmon Hole and turnaround approximately .15 miles after B Trail connects to Upper Park Rd. We would like to have another aid/water station at this point. Runners will continue back along the same course they came out on. All runners will continue back on the bike path and cross over at 5 Mile Way. All runners will continue on 5 Mile Way to the bridge at 5-Mile Recreation Area. The run will finish for all runners at the end of that bridge. We will have refreshments, music, etc. for all participants.

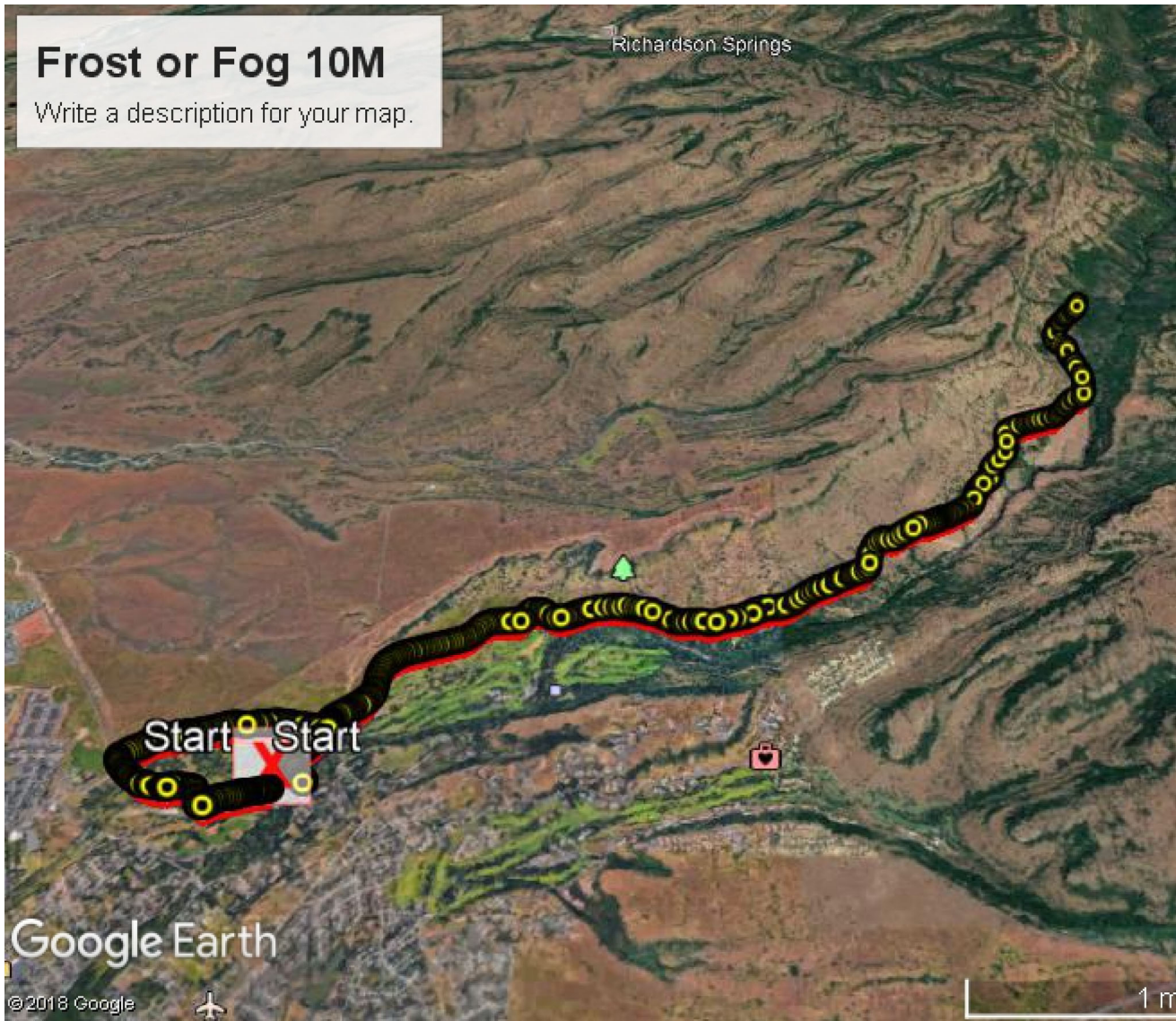
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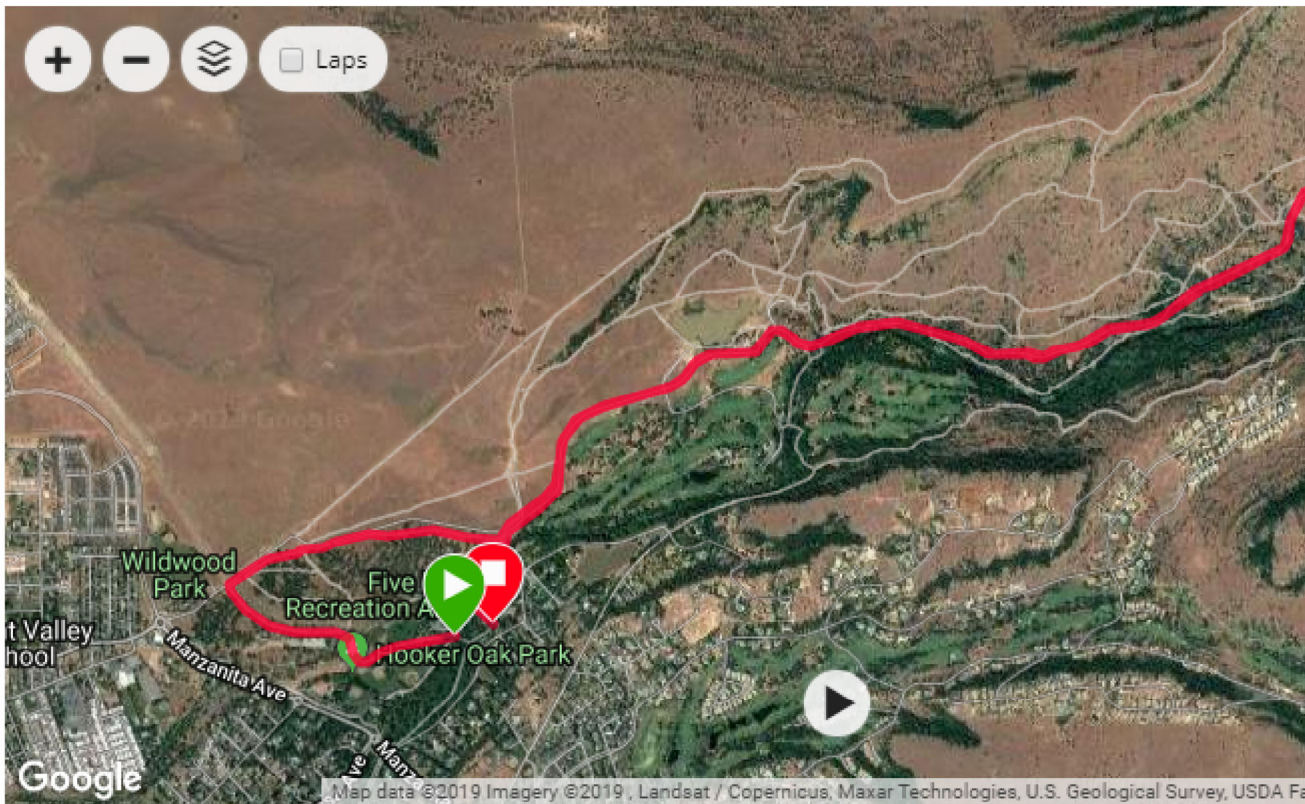


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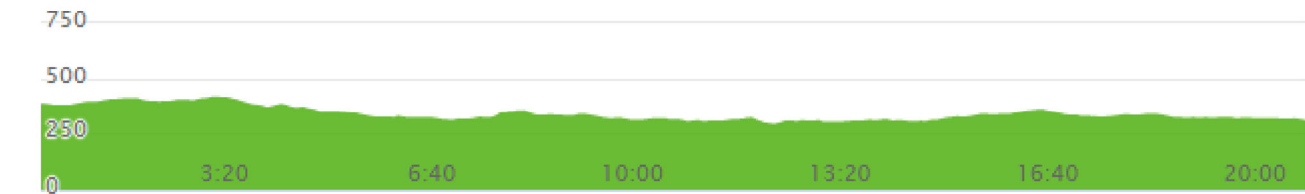
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## Bidwell Park & Playground Commission Report

Meeting Date 12/13/21

DATE: 12/09/21  
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)  
FROM: Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager (P&NRM)  
SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT.

### REPORT IN BRIEF:

The Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) will receive an update on the final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the City's Upper Bidwell Park Road Sediment Reduction Project (Project), which includes responses to the comments received during the public comment period.

**Recommendation:** None, this is an informational item only.

### BACKGROUND:

The unpaved section of the Upper Park Road (UPR) in Bidwell Park between the Diversion Dam gate and the end of the road has been closed to private vehicles since 2012 when the road was severely damaged from winter storms. The City retained Pacific Watershed Associates (PWA) to assess and make recommendations regarding repairing and improving approximately 4.4 miles of the road between Horseshoe Lake and the end, which identified 43 erosion sites within this section of UPR that needed either road drainage repairs or redesign, and/or sediment control treatments.

This Project extends along 3.4 miles of Upper Park Road and will reduce and largely eliminate a total threat of 3,570 cubic yards of sediment from entering Big Chico Creek. A map of the proposed treatments is attached as Attachment 1. The plan to make the necessary repairs and to the UPR was approved by both the BPPC and the City Council.

Staff and the City's consultants have been working on the environmental review, regulatory permits applications, and construction designs and specifications for the Project.

An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) was prepared pursuant to CEQA Statutes and City Environmental Review Guidelines to identify:

1. Potential significant effects of the proposed VFMP activities and projects on the environment and to indicate the way those significant effects can be avoided or mitigated.
2. Any unavoidable adverse impacts that cannot be fully mitigated or otherwise avoided.

In the IS/MND, the activities proposed in the Project received general environmental review which determined that the Project could have potential significant impacts related to Biological, Historic, Hydrology/Water Quality, and Cultural/Tribal Resources. Avoidance or mitigation measures, where needed, were also identified to reduce anticipated or potential environmental impacts below a threshold of significance. The proposed mitigation measures were compiled into a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP). The Draft MMRP consisted of the following components:

- Proposed Mitigation measures
- Implementation trigger/timing of mitigation
- Party responsible for implementation of the mitigation
- Agency responsible for monitoring mitigation

With the incorporation of avoidance where possible, installation of best management practices such as reseeding and straw on disturbed areas, and the mitigation measures identified in the MMRP, the potential impacts from the Project will be mitigated to a less than significant level. It is also expected that the Project will result in improvements to the Upper Park Road, water quality, natural streamflow function, and public safety access.

**DISCUSSION:**

A Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt the MND and announcing the 30-Day public comment period was posted in the local newspaper and on the Butte County Clerk's and State Clearing House websites on 10/04/21. The public comment period ended at 5:00 P.M. on 11/2/21. Only one comment was received by the California Department of Fish & Wildlife Service (CDFW), which recommended that the following mitigation measures be added to the MMRP:

1. Conduct a preconstruction survey by a qualified biologist to determine if suitable Swainson's Hawk habitat is present in the project area. If present, then other mitigation measures will be required.
2. Conduct a preconstruction survey of the wetland area near the Diversion Dam to determine if the area is still suitable habitat for Black Rail after the Park Fire. If suitable, then additional mitigation measures will be required.
3. Conduct a preconstruction survey to determine if the project area contains suitable habitat for the Ringtail mammal. If present, then additional mitigation measures will be required.
4. Conduct a habitat assessment for the potential presence of Day Roosting Bats. If present, then more mitigation measures will be required.
5. Conduct preconstruction surveys for Foothill Yellow-Legged Frogs (FYLF) and Western Spadefoot turtles. Additional mitigation measures are required if these species are present.
6. Conduct another preconstruction rare plant survey by a qualified biologist to determine absence or presence within the project area. If present, additional mitigation measures will be required.
7. Increase the tree planting mitigation for the removal of Oak Trees with a diameter at breast heights (DBH) of 6 inches or greater at a 3 to 1 ratio.

The Draft Final MND and MMRP that incorporate the above mitigation measures are attached as Attachment A for the Commission's information. A Notice of Determination (NOD) to adopt the MND will be filed with the Butte County Clerk's Office and the State Clearing House (SCH) to complete the environmental review process. Upon completion of CEQA review and the approval of the regulatory permits with the State Water Board and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, construction will take place outside of the wet weather season in the Summer/Fall of 2022. The construction work is anticipated to take approximately 4 months, weather permitting.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Draft Final MND & MMRP



# MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

## CITY OF CHICO PUBLIC WORKS - ENGINEERING

Based upon the analysis and findings contained within the attached Initial Study, a Mitigated Negative Declaration is hereby proposed by the City of Chico Public Works – Operations and Maintenance Park Division and adopted by the City of Chico Community Development Department for the following project:

**PROJECT NAME:** Upper Bidwell Park Road Sediment Reduction Project (Capital Project #503032)

**APPLICANT(S) NAME:** City of Chico Public Works – Park Division (Erik Gustafson, Director of Public Works – Operations & Maintenance)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project is located within an un-sectioned portion of Township 22 North, Range 2 East, of the USGS Richardson Springs, California (1948/1978), 7.5 Series Quad, and un-sectioned portion, plus Section 35 of Township 23 North, Range 2 East, of the USGS Paradise West, California (1948/1978), 7.5 Series Quad located in Upper Bidwell Park. ( Latitude 39.771440, Longitude -121.766290).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this project is to implement sediment control practices through reduction of road erosion and sediment delivery from 43 potential erosion sites on Upper Park Road in Upper Bidwell Park located within the Big Chico Creek (BCC) Watershed. To reduce salmonid habitat degradation, and sediment delivery to BCC and ultimately the Sacramento River basin, this project will upgrade and stormproof portions of Upper Park Road within the BCC sub-basin. The Project will implement treatments designated as high or moderate immediacy on this largely unpaved forest road and as identified in the sediment source assessment conducted in 2017 by the City's geologic consultant, Pacific Watershed Associates (PWA).

PWA's action plan recommends treating all 43 features on the 3.42 miles of road for erosion control and prevention. Individual treatment features include 40 stream crossings, 2 ditch relief culverts, and 1 spring, as well as road surface drainage and associated erosion treatments, such as rolling dips and water bars. The Project will require a total of 37 stream improvements by upgrading 22 stream crossings with culvert replacements, and 15 stream crossings improved with armored fill installations. It is estimated that this Project will reduce and eliminate the potential threat of 3,572 cubic yards of sediment delivery to Big Chico Creek. The construction work will take place in the Summer/Fall of 2022, outside of the wet weather season. Actual construction is anticipated to take approximately 4 months, weather permitting.

**FINDING:** The City of Chico, as the Lead Agency, has reviewed the proposed project and on the basis of the whole record before the agency, has determined that there is no substantial evidence that the project, with implementation of the mitigation measures provided in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program in **Attachment 1**, will have a significant effect on the environment. This Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the Lead Agency’s independent judgment and analysis. An Environmental Impact Report is not required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

I have reviewed the Initial Study prepared for the Bruce Road Reconstruction Project and the mitigation measures identified therein. I hereby incorporate and include all mitigation measures into the project.

**Project**

**Applicant:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erik Gustafson — City of Chico  
Director of Public Works – Operations & Maintenance

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Date

**Prepared by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Linda Herman — City of Chico  
Park & Natural Resources Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Adopted by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brendan Vieg — City of Chico  
Community Development Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

<b>ATTACHMENT 1 UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)</b>		<b>TIMING</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b>
<b>D. BIOLOGY</b>			
<b>MITIGATION D.1. (Biology - Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle)</b>			
A.	All elderberry shrubs shall be avoided during construction activities by establishing a no disturbance buffer around any elderberry shrubs containing stems measuring 1-inch or greater at ground level.	During construction	City and contractors
B.	ESA fencing or other appropriate barriers shall be established around elderberry shrubs prior to the start of construction activities.	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
C.	Signs shall be established around the buffer with the following language: "This is habitat of the valley elderberry longhorn beetle, a threatened species, and must not be disturbed. This species is protected by the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. Violators are subject to prosecution, fines and imprisonment."	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
D.	Prior to commencement of construction, contractors and work crews that are onsite for more than 30 minutes, shall go through a Worker Environmental Awareness Training (WEAT) regarding avoidance of elderberry shrubs and the possible penalties for not complying with these requirements. The training can be given by a qualified biologist or the Foreman, if the Foreman has been trained by the qualified biologist to conduct the WEAT. Written documentation of the completion of WEAT shall be provided to the City and include a sign in sheet with all participants signatures.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
E.	The Project shall not result in effects to elderberry shrubs which include trimming, damaging, removal or modification to elderberry shrubs. If effects to shrubs measuring 1-inch or greater at ground level are inevitable, then consultation with the USFWS and mitigation for effects to elderberry shrubs shall take place prior to effects occurring.	During construction	City and contractors
F.	No insecticide, herbicide, fertilizers, or other chemicals that might harm the beetle or its host plant should be used in the buffer areas (buffer areas to be established by a professional biologist), or within 100 feet of any elderberry shrub with one or more stems measuring 1.0 inch or greater in diameter at ground level.	During construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.2. (Biology - Western Pond Turtles)</b>			
A.	Before initiating any ground disturbances, restrictive silt fencing will be installed in strategic locations to prevent wildlife (i.e., reptiles, mammals, birds, etc.) from entering the construction site from the adjacent aquatic settings and to prevent construction equipment and personnel from entering sensitive habitat from the construction site.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.3 (Biology – Protected Wetlands).</b>			
A.	The City will obtain and comply with final permits and implement any compensatory mitigation that may be required by the USACE, CVRWQCB and CDFW, or copies of relevant correspondence documenting that no permit is required, as applicable. The City will obtain final copies of the required permits and compensatory mitigation or letters documenting relief thereof, prior to commencing construction at the site.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.4 (Biology - Hawks, Owls, Kites and Migratory Birds)</b>			
A.	Vegetation removal should be conducted during the non-breeding season (September 1-January 31). If vegetation removal or construction activities occur during the avian breeding season (February 1 – August 31), then a migratory bird and raptor survey shall be conducted by a qualified biologist to identify any active nests (i.e., nests that contain egg(s) or young) within the project area. A qualified biologist shall:		City and contractors
	1. Conduct a survey for all special-status bird species and birds protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and California Fish and Game Code (CFGF) within seven (7) days prior to vegetation removal or construction activities. The survey shall cover the area within the BSA and 250 feet outside of the BSA where accessible.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
	2. If an active nest is found, then the biologist will map the nest location and establish an appropriate species protection buffer around the active nest(s) as determined by the biologist. Construction and vegetation removal activity shall be prohibited within the buffer until the young have fledged (i.e., fly) or the nest fails. Nests shall be monitored once per week and written findings reported to the City (e-mail OK).	Prior to construction	City and contractors
	3. Conduct an additional migratory bird and raptor survey if vegetation removal and/or construction will be required to stop for more than 15 days. The survey shall be conducted within seven (7) days prior to the continuation of activities.	Prior to construction	City and contractors

<b>ATTACHMENT 1 UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)</b>		<b>TIMING</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b>
<b>MITIGATION D.4 (Biology – Valley Foothill Riparian and Valley Oak Woodland)</b>			
A.	Project design shall avoid oak trees and riparian habitat, including the critical root zone (CRZ), to the maximum extent feasible.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
B.	When working within proximity to trees identified for preservation, activities shall comply with the following tree preservation Best Management Practices, which shall be included in the tree removal and construction contracts for the project:	During construction	City and contractors
	1. Pruning of branches that are in the path of any access roads or work areas on the site shall be conducted to the minimum height requirements of the construction equipment prior to the start of construction activities to prevent breaking of or damage to the branches. The pruning of branches shall be conducted per current ANSI A300 pruning standards and under the supervision of a Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester or Registered Professional Forester.		
	2. If excavation work is conducted within the Critical Root Zone of a tree proposed for preservation, a Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester shall be on-site to monitor the excavation activities. The CRZ typically corresponds to the dripline of the tree or a radius equal in feet to the number of inches of the tree's diameter at breast height (DBH), whichever is greater.	During construction	City and contractors
	3. The practice of "directional root pruning" shall be used to prune roots in conflict with planned improvements. Directional root pruning is accomplished by pruning main roots back to lateral roots, similar in concept to pruning limbs in the canopy. The techniques are defined more thoroughly below.	During construction	City and contractors
	a. Avoid grubbing of vegetation using equipment that breaks the ground surface near trees that are to remain.	During construction	City and contractors
	b. If possible, instead of excavating an open trench for pipe or conduit installation, tunnel under the root system or excavate using hydraulic or pneumatic equipment.	During construction	City and contractors
	c. All root pruning shall be done using hand tools, or other methodology approved by a Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester, in order to make clean cuts and prevent the ripping or tearing of roots.	During construction	City and contractors
	d. Roots are not to be stub pruned or ground, unless the tree is slated for removal.	During construction	City and contractors
	e. Roots less than two (2) inches in diameter are to be clean cut to a parent root or another lateral root outside of the work area.	During construction	City and contractors
	f. Roots two (2) inches in diameter and larger shall not be cut without the specific approval of the Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester. Where roots greater than two (2) inches in diameter must be cut, they are to be clean cut to a parent root or another lateral root outside of the work area.	During construction	City and contractors
	g. Roots two (2) inches in diameter and larger exposed to the air are to be kept covered and moist at all times during construction operations.	During construction	City and contractors
	h. Root pruning shall be done by a Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester, Certified Tree Workers under the general guidance of the Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester or the contractor under the direct supervision of the Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester.	During construction	City and contractors
	4. Compaction prevention measures shall be employed if any work is conducted within the CRZ, unless otherwise authorized by City of Chico Public Works Department. Typical compaction prevention measures include:	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
	a. Avoid parking or driving vehicles or heavy equipment in the CRZ.	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
	b. Avoid storage of equipment or materials in the CRZ.	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
	c. If driving in the CRZ is unavoidable, deflate tires slightly to redistribute the weight over a larger area.	Prior and during construction	City and contractors
	d. Construct temporary 'crossings' within the CRZ by placing up to 6" of mulch and/or placing plywood.	Prior and during construction	City and contractors

<b>ATTACHMENT 1 UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)</b>		<b>TIMING</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b>
	5. Grading activities shall be avoided within the CRZ. Grading activities conducted outside of the CRZ shall be designed to prevent significantly altering the drainage within the CRZ. If grading changes cannot be avoided within the CRZ, the grade change shall be limited to 4 inches of cut or fill, where feasible, and a Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester shall be consulted to determine if additional mitigation measures are needed to maintain aeration within the root zone.	During construction	City and contractors
	6. If drought conditions exist during the construction period, watering of the protected oak trees may be necessary to maintain proper soil moisture conditions. A Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester or qualified Landscaper shall be consulted for specific guidance if drought conditions occur at the time of construction.	During construction	City and contractors
C.	Prior to construction, all individual trees and groups of trees, including the CRZ, shall be identified for protection utilizing methodology approved by the City of Chico Public Works Department. Protection methodology could include highly visible plastic mesh fencing, flagging, notes on construction plans, or City approved equivalent measures.	Prior to construction	City and contractors
D.	Attempts will be made during construction to minimize impacts to existing trees to the greatest extent possible. However, 44 trees, ranging from 1-inch DBH to 30 inches DBH, have been identified for potential removal. 23 of the trees are non-native or have a DBH of less than 6".	During construction	City and contractors
E.	The impacts to any native riparian trees will be mitigated by replanting trees as stipulated in the City's CDFW LSAA permit application. Per CDFW comments during the comment period, mitigation for removal of oak trees with a DBH of 6" or greater will be replanting trees at a 3:1 ratio.	During and after construction	City and contractors
F.	Non-riparian native trees will be mitigated utilizing the methodology and replanting ratios outlined in the City of Chico's Tree Preservation Regulations in Chico Municipal Code (CMC) Chapter 16.66. Any trees greater than 18" in DBH and defined as "trees" in CMC 16.66 to be removed will be replanted with one (1) new 15-gallon tree for every 6 inches in DBH removed. The list of trees to be removed per the LSAA application and CMC Chapter 16.66, and the intended replanting ratios are depicted in Appendix A. All replacement trees shall be of similar species, unless otherwise approved by the City's Urban Forest Manager, and replanted in proximity to the project area or other suitable locations within Upper Bidwell Park. Using the above LSAA, CMC 16.66 methodology and the 3:1 ratio for Oaks, 44 trees will be replanted to mitigate for the 13 trees that meet the above criteria. All trees planted will be monitored for a minimum of 5 years to ensure an 80% survival rate.	During and after construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.5 ( Biology – Local Ordinances)</b>			
See <b>Mitigation Measure D.4 (Biology – Valley Foothill Riparian and Valley Oak Woodland)</b> above.		Prior/During Construction	City and contractors
<b>BASED ON COMMENTS RECEIVED BY THE CA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE DURING THE COMMENT PERIOD, THE FOLLOWING BIOLOGICAL MITIGATION MEASURES ARE ADDED TO THIS FINAL MMRP:</b>			
<b>MITIGATION D.6 ( Biology – Swainson's Hawk)</b>			
A.	A qualified biologist shall conduct survey of the project area for Swainson's hawk prior to the commencement of construction activities. Surveys shall be conducted within a minimum 1/2-mile radius around the Project area.	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
B.	Results of the protocol-level surveys shall be submitted to CDFW a minimum of 10 days prior to the start of construction. Based on the survey results additional mitigation may be required and the City will consult with CDGW for the appropriate mitigation measures..	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.7 ( Biology – Black Rail)</b>			
A.	<u>Habitat Assessment.</u> A qualified biologist with education and experience shall conduct a habitat assessment for potentially suitable habitat for Black Rail prior to construction. If the habitat assessment reveals suitable habitat, then a qualified biologist shall do a presence/absence survey during the peak activity periods. If black rail habitat is present, the following measures will be taken:	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
B.	If black rail habitat is detected, the City will consult with CDFW to determine the appropriate mitigation measures to lessen the impacts to the species to a less than significant level.		
<b>MITIGATION D.8 ( Biology – Ringtail)</b>			
A.	<u>Habitat Assessment.</u> A qualified biologist with education and experience shall conduct a habitat assessment for potentially suitable habitat for Ringtail mammals prior to construction. If the habitat assessment reveals suitable ringtail habitat, then a qualified biologist shall do a presence/absence survey during the peak activity periods. If ringtail are present, the following measures will be taken:	Prior to Construction	City and contractors

<b>ATTACHMENT 1 UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)</b>		<b>TIMING</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b>
1	Construction is anticipated to take place from July – October. During the first month of the project, the ringtail young may still be in the nest. Therefore, a survey will be conducted not more than 30 nor less than 14 days prior to construction mobilization for ringtail nests. If an occupied nest is located, a buffer area will be implemented in consultation with CDFW until the young leave the nest. Tree snags determined to be suitable ringtail habitat will remain in place. Trees slated for removal that contain suitable denning cavities will not be hauled offsite and will be placed within the project area.	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.9 ( Biology –Day Roosting Bat)</b>			
A.	<u>Habitat Assessment.</u> A qualified biologist with education and experience in bat biology and identification, shall conduct a habitat assessment for potentially suitable bat habitat within six months of Project activities. If the habitat assessment reveals suitable bat habitat, then a qualified bat biologist shall do a presence/absence survey during the peak activity periods. If bats are present, the following measures will be taken:	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
1	<u>Bat Avoidance Plan.</u> A qualified biologist will prepare a bat avoidance plan that will identify: 1) the location of the-roosting sites; 2) the number of bats present at the time of assessment (count or estimate); 3) species of bats present; 4) the type of roost (e.g. day/night, maternity, hibernaculum, bachelor); and 5) species specific measures to-avoid and minimize impacts to bats. The bat avoidance plan shall evaluate the length of time of disturbance, equipment noise, and type of habitat present at the project.		
2	<u>No Disturbance Buffer.</u> If during the habitat assessment the qualified bat biologist identifies a bat roost within the Project boundary that is not proposed for removal, then a no disturbance buffer shall be established around the roost in consultation with CDFW. The width of the buffer should be determined by the qualified bat biologist based on the bat species, specific site conditions, and level of disturbance. The buffer should be maintained until the qualified bat biologist determines that the roost is no longer occupied.	During construction	City and contractors
3	<u>Replacement Structures.</u> If the bat roost cannot be avoided, replacement roost structures (bat houses or other structures) shall be designed to accommodate the bat species they are intended for. Replacement roost structures shall be in place for a minimum of one full year prior to implementing the project. The replacement structures should be monitored to document bat use. Ideally, the project would not be implemented unless and until replacement roost structures on site are documented to be acceptable and used by the bat species of interest.	After Construction	City and contractors
4	<u>Roost Removal Timing.</u> The project that results in the loss or modification of the original roost structure should be implemented outside hibernation and maternity seasons, Nov 1 – Feb 1 and April 1 – August 31 respectively.	During construction	City and contractors
5	<u>Bat Exclusion.</u> If an active bat roost is found in a tree that must be removed, the qualified bat biologist should prepare a Bat Exclusion Plan for the passive exclusion of the bats from the roost. Exclusion shall be scheduled either (1) between March 1 and March 31, prior to parturition of pups; or (2) between September 1 and October 31 prior to hibernation (or prior to evening temperatures dropping below 45°F and onset of rainfall greater than ½ inch in 24 hours). The qualified bat biologist shall confirm the absence of bats prior to the	During construction	City and contractors
6	<u>Tree Removal.</u> Tree removal shall be scheduled either (1) between approximately March 1 March 31, prior to parturition of pups; or (2) between September 1 and October 31 prior to hibernation (or prior to evening temperatures dropping below 45°F and onset of rainfall greater than ½ inch in 24 hours). Removal of trees containing suitable bat habitat should be conducted under the supervision of a qualified bat biologist.	During construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.10 ( Biology –Rare Plant Survey)</b>			
A.	Following CDFW's," Protocols for Surveying and Evaluating Impacts to Special Status Native Plant Populations and Sensitive Natural Communities (3/18"), protocol-level surveys for the following species should be performed by a qualified botanist to determine their absence or presence within the project site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* California satintail (<i>Imperata brevifolia</i>)</li> <li>* Colusa layia (<i>Layia septentrionalis</i>)</li> <li>* Humboldt lily (<i>Lilium humboldtii</i> ssp. <i>humboldtii</i>)</li> <li>* Bidwell's knotweed (<i>Polygonum bidwelliae</i>)</li> <li>* California beaked-rush (<i>Rhynchospora californica</i>)</li> <li>* Brownish beaked-rush (<i>Rhynchospora capitellata</i>)</li> <li>* Butte County checkerbloom (<i>Sidalcea robusta</i>)</li> <li>* Woolly rose-mallow (<i>Hibiscus lasiocarpus</i> var. <i>occidentalis</i>)</li> </ul>	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
B.	If any of the above species, or any NPPA or CESA-listed species, are identified with the vicinity of the Project. The City will consult with CDFW for the appropriate mitigation measures to be implemented to lessen the impact on these species to a less than significant level.	Prior to Construction	City and contractors



<b>ATTACHMENT 1 UPPER BIDWELL PARK ROAD SEDIMENT REDUCTION PROJECT MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP)</b>		<b>TIMING</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b>
<b>MITIGATION D.11 ( Biology –Western Spadefoot)</b>			
A.	To confirm the absence or presence of western spadefoots from the project a qualified biologist should conduct a minimum of 3 nighttime acoustic surveys during the breeding surveys. The timing of surveys is critically important, being associated with weather, season, and time of night. To detect breeding vocalizations, surveys should be conducted between late February and the end of March, depending on rainfall. Results of the surveys should be compiled into a report and submitted to CDFW. If Western spadefoot habitat is detected, the City will consult with CDFW to determine the appropriate mitigation measures to lessen the impacts to the species to a less than significant level.	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
	If a western spadefoot is observed in the project limits during construction, all work will be stopped, and the western spadefoot will: 1. Be allowed to leave on its own volition, or 2. Be moved by the project biologist in the direction it was heading, at a safe distance from the construction activities, and at a safe location.	During construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION D.12 ( Biology –Foothill Yellow-legged Frog)</b>			
	To mitigate potential project impacts on Foothill Yellow-Legged Frog (FYLF), a protocol level survey shall be conducted by a qualified biologist for FYLF. If FYLF are present, the City will consult with CDFW and obtain/abide by an Incidental Take Permit (ITP) (Fish & G. Code, §§ 2080.1) prior to starting construction activities.	Prior to Construction	City and contractors
<b>E. CULTURAL/TRIBAL RESOURCES</b>			
<b>MITIGATION E1 and E.5 (On-Call Tribal Monitor):</b>			
A.	Based on the results of the records search, field survey, and assessment of potential direct or indirect Project impacts, the excavation of the natural drainages, and heavy vegetation in the project area, the City's contractor shall provide for the presence of a Mechoopda Indian Tribal Monitor on an "on-call basis" during all earth moving and ground disturbing activities. The City shall provide the contractor's contact information for the purpose of providing direct information to the Tribal Monitor regarding project scheduling and safety protocol, as well as project scope, location of construction areas, and nature of work to be performed.	During construction	City and contractors
<b>MITIGATION E.3 and E.4. (Inadvertent Discovery):</b>			
A.	If during ground disturbing activities, any potentially prehistoric, protohistoric, and/or historic cultural resources are encountered, the supervising contractor shall cease all work within 10 feet of the find (100 feet for human remains) and notify the City. A professional archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for prehistoric and historic archaeology and being familiar with the archaeological record of Butte County, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find. City staff shall notify all local tribes on the consultation list maintained by the State of California Native American Heritage Commission, to provide local tribes the opportunity to monitor evaluation of the site.	During construction	City and contractors
B.	If human remains are uncovered, the project team shall notify the Butte County Coroner pursuant to Section 7050.5 of California's Health and Safety Code. If the Butte County Coroner determines that the discovered remains are those of Native American ancestry, then the Native American Heritage Commission must be notified by telephone within 24 hours. Sections 5097.94 and 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code describe the procedures to be followed after the notification of the Native American Heritage Commission.	During construction	City and contractors
C.	Site work shall not resume until the archaeologist conducts sufficient research, testing and analysis of the archaeological evidence to make a determination that the resource is either not cultural in origin or not potentially significant. If a potentially significant resource is encountered, the archaeologist shall prepare a mitigation plan for review and approval by the City, including recommendations for total data recovery, Tribal monitoring, disposition protocol, or avoidance, if applicable. All measures determined by the City to be appropriate shall be implemented pursuant to the terms of the archaeologist's report. The preceding requirement shall be incorporated into construction contracts and documents to ensure contractor knowledge and responsibility for the proper implementation.	During construction	City and contractors



## BPPC Staff Report

Meeting Date 12/13/21

DATE: 12/08/21

TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)

FROM: Linda Herman, Parks & Natural Resource Manager

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE ELECTRIC BICYCLE AD-HOC COMMITTEE.

### REPORT IN BRIEF:

At its 10/25/21 meeting, the BPPC approved forming an Ad-Hoc Committee to establish a policy regarding the use of electric bicycles on trails and other areas in Bidwell Park. The BPPC appointed Commissioners Thomas-Petty, McCreary, and Willis to serve on the Committee. Staff is seeking additional information on the composition of the Ad-Hoc Committee in regard to its size and desired targeted stakeholder groups.

**Recommendation:** That the BPPC provide further direction regarding the E-Bike Ad-Hoc Committee composition.

### DISCUSSION:

At the October meeting, the Commission discussed potential local stakeholders who could be members of the Committee to help research and address this complicated and evolving issue. Suggestions included potential representatives from the local bicycle community, local hiking enthusiasts and someone from the Equestrian Association. Staff is seeking further direction on the composition of the Committee in regard to how many members should be on it, and to confirm which stakeholder groups should be contacted. Staff would like to send out an announcement and advertise for potential interested parties or individuals in January 2022.

In addition, the BPPC appointed Commissioners Thomas-Petty, McCreary, and Willis to the Ad-Hoc Committee. With the recent resignation of Commissioner McCreary, Staff is inquiring on whether the Commission would like to replace him on the Committee or just conduct the meetings with two Commissioners.



DATE: 12/10/21  
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)  
FROM: Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager  
SUBJECT: Parks Division Report

## NARRATIVE

### 1. Updates

- a. Park Staffing – Eight internal candidates were interviewed to fill Park Field Supervisor Jimi Logsdon position when he leaves at the end of December. Applications are also being reviewed for several vacant Maintenance Worker positions, one for the Park Maintenance Division, and one or two positions for the new encampment cleanup crew.
- b. Caper Acres Shade & Resurface Project – a construction solution to the high groundwater in the shade post pier holes has been developed and construction will resume after the first of the year, weather permitting.
- c. Storm Damage – the heavy storm in late October caused major damage in Bidwell Park. The largest and most notable was the damage to 14 concrete picnic tables in the One Mile Oak Grove A & B picnic area (see picture in the Photograph Section). Staff and Tree crews are still working on removing several large limbs and downed trees.
- d. Swimming Hole/Parking Lot Signs – The four new metal signs for Alligator Hole, Day Camp, Salmon Hole and Browns Hole donated by the Explore Butte County have been fabricated and are being power coated. We plan to have them all installed by Spring, weather permitting.

### 2. Maintenance Program

Staff provides on a need and time basis the cleaning and safety inspections of all recreation areas including grounds, playgrounds, picnic sites, roads, and paths, coupled with the weekend cleaning and re-supplying of all open park restrooms. Maintenance and repair of park fixtures, daily opening of gates, posting reservations, unauthorized camp clean up and the constant removal of graffiti from all park infrastructure.

- a. Lower Park: Routine Maintenance, ( i.e. down limbs. vandalism repair, etc.) Staff finished the install of the chin up Vita station for the PAR course. They are also working on the Upper Park Swimming hole/Parking lot signs to install this spring. Fence repairs have also been performed from vehicle drive throughs.
- b. Middle Park: Routine maintenance. Down tree removal, vegetation maintenance. Barricade installation at numerous locations .Fence repair from vehicle drive throughs
- c. Upper Park Down tree removal.
- d. Green way Parks: Routine maintenance as time and Staffing permits. Volunteer support at children's playground.
- e. Upcoming projects: Winter fabrication projects, Parking lot grading, road sign replacement, Upper Park fire clean up. New Swimming Hole sign install.

### 3. Ranger and Lifeguard Programs

- a. Ranger Program– Ranger Joel Holmes received a conditional job offer to become a Sworn Ranger. He will enter into the Police Academy in January 2022. Sworn Ranger Brett Gladson is still in Field Training but hope he will be finishing that training shortly after the first of the year.

#### 4. Volunteer and Donor Program

- a. Make a Difference Day – Over 80 hours of labor was contributed by volunteers during the October 23<sup>rd</sup> Make a Difference Day event. Invasive vegetation was removed from the South 1 Mile area.
- b. Friends of Comanche Creek Greenway (FOCCG) – Volunteers with FOCCG continue their tireless effort to remove litter from the south side of Comanche Creek Greenway. The average 2 truckloads of trash removed from the greenway every week.
- c. Donations – Peter Washington donated \$250.00 in October and November for a total of \$500.00 to the Parks Division.
- d. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities – Chico Velo-Trailworks has scheduled several volunteer events to work on trails in Upper Park. Please visit the volunteer calendar for details.
  - i. Volunteer Calendar – To find out about upcoming volunteer events please [CLICK HERE](#) or visit <https://www.chico.ca.us/post/volunteer-calendar>

### MONTHLY SUMMARY TABLES

**Parks, Trees and Greenways -PALS- (Partners, Ambassadors, Leaders & Stewards) Volunteer Activities, Oct. and Nov. 2021**

Date	Location	Partner/Agency	# of Volunteers	Hrs. Worked	# of Vols Xs Hrs. = Total Hrs.	Task	Leader
Various	Chico Parks and Greenways	PALS	105	N/A	1926	Park Ambassadors	Shane Romain
10/1/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/1/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	14	3	42	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
10/2/2021	1 Mile	PALS Ivy League	5	2	10	Veg. Mgmt.	Linda Calbreath
10/4/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	2	2	4	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/8/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	5	4	20	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/8/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	15	3	45	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
10/15/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	3	9	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/16/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	16	3	48	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
10/22/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	12	3	36	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
10/22/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/23/2021	1 Mile	PALS and CSUC	28	3	84	Veg. Mgmt.	Shane Romain
10/25/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
10/29/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	12	3	36	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
10/29/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	5	20	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
11/5/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	3	12	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
11/12/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	5	3	15	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
11/12/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	14	3	42	Split Rail	Kevin Seeger
11/13/2021	Cedar Grove	PALS Ivy League	20	3	60	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
11/14/2021	Upper Park	Velo Trailworks	17	3	51	Trail Maint.	Jenna Walker
11/19/2021	1 Mile	CAVE	10	3	30	Split Rail	Michael Tsohis
11/19/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	3	15	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
11/21/2021	Upper Park	Velo Trailworks	7	3	21	Trail Maint.	Mike Matiassek
11/22/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	5	15	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
11/29/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	3	9	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
				<b>TOTAL HRS.</b>	<b>2598</b>		

**Table 2. Monthly Parks and Greenways Cleanup totals**

Encampment Cleanups, Oct. and Nov. 2021										
Date	Location	Coop. Org.	# of Staff	# Workers/ Vols.	Total People	Hours Worked	People Xs Hours Total	Total Debris (cubic yards)	Total Debris (lbs)	Total Debris (tons)
10/14/2021	Lindo at Mangrove		15		15	2	30	30	25,520	13
10/21/2021	Site 38		2		2	1	2	4		
10/25/2021	City Plaza		2	1	3	2	6	6		
10/26/2021	City Plaza		2		2	2	4	4		
11/8/2021	Annie's Glenn		2		2	0.5	1	2		
11/8/2021	South 1 Mile	AFWD	2	2	4	1	4	3		
11/8/2021	Picnic site 1	AFWD	2	2	4	0.5	2	2		
11/8/2021	South 1 Mile at BCC	AFWD	2	2	4	0.5	2	2		
11/8/2021	Picnic Site 3	AFWD	2	2	4	0.5	2	2		
11/9/2021	CC at Otterson		2		2	0.5	1	2		
11/9/2021	Camilla Way		2		2	0.5	1	1		
11/16/2018	Lindo Roses and Ivy	CRBR	2	3	5	16	80	50		
11/18/2021	South 1 Mile	AFWD	2	2	4	2.5	10	7		
11/18/2021	Site 35	AFWD	2	2	4	1	4	2		
							<b>TOTAL HRS</b>	<b>TOTAL DEBRIS YARDS</b>	<b>TOTAL LBS</b>	
							149	117	25520	13

**Table 3. Monthly Public Permits**

November				
Date	Location	Organization	Event	Participant #
11/06/21	5 Mile W/Upper Bidwell	CORSA	Bidwell Bump	75
11/07/21	One Mile	Fleet Feet	Almond Bowl 5K/10K	700
11/13/21	One Mile	Girls on the Run	Fall Graduation GOTR 5K	450
11/25/21	One Mile/Lower Bidwell	Jesus Center	Run for Food	4,500
<b>Totals</b>				<b>5,725</b>
December				
Date	Location	Organization	Event	Participant #
12/05/21	City Plaza	Chabad Jewish Center	Annual Menorah Lighting	50
12/11/21	One Mile	Salvation Army	Santa Shuffle 5K	500
<b>Totals</b>				<b>550</b>
January				
Date	Location	Organization	Event	Participant #
01/01/22	One Mile	Chico Running Club	New Year's Day 5K	50
01/22/22	Five Mile West	Under the Sun Events	Frost or Fog Run	200
<b>Totals</b>				<b>250</b>

**Table 4. Monthly Private Permits**

October		
Type	# Permits	# Participants
Private	8	414
Caper Acres	17	370
<b>Totals</b>		<b>784</b>
November		
Type	# Permits	# Participants
Private	4	240
Caper Acres	7	165
<b>Totals</b>		<b>405</b>

## PHOTOGRAPHS



**Figure 1 Ranger Joel**



**Figure 2 Cooks for Make a Difference Day**



**Figure 3 New Open/Closed Trail sign**



**Figure 4 Split rail repair**



**Figure 5 Storm damage at Oak Grove A&B**



**Figure 6 Storm cleanup**



**Figure 7 New Chin up Station install**



**Figure 8 Vita Chin up station complete**



**Figure 9 Trailworks volunteers**



**Figure 10 Make a Difference Day volunteers**



DATE: 12/13/21  
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)  
FROM: Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager  
SUBJECT: Street Trees Division Report

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## NARRATIVE

### 1. Updates

a. In October Tommy Davis and Christian DuBray started employment with Tree Division as Senior Maintenance Worker and Maintenance Worker respectively.

### 2. Planning/Monitoring

a. Damage Reports – Three damage reports were sent to Risk management in October and November. Claims related to branch drop onto property.

### 3. Planning and Building Development

a. UFM reviewed many development plan reviews in the Trakit permitting system. Landscape Comments from Public Works Parks included, improperly installed tree ties, storm drain placement, species choices for replanting, tree protection measures during construction, parking lot shade calculations. PG&E applied for several permits to trim or remove trees impacting utility wires.

### 4. Miscellaneous

a. November 13. BEC and Tree Division hosted another community tree planting event. Over thirty volunteers turned out to plant thirty shade trees adjacent to residences. The event was a success, and we anticipate hosting two such events spring and fall every year into the future. See photos 4 and 5.

b. The CalFire Urban Forestry Grant Coordinator for the Sacramento region had the annual site visit in Chico. Tree plantings were inspected for quality assurance. The program passed the inspection.

c. Public Works continues to accept citizen requests for free shade trees ahead of the next community tree planting event March 5th, 2022. Residents wishing to have a free shade tree planted should contact Butte Environmental Council at urbanforest@becnet.org or call (530) 891 6424

### 5. Maintenance

a. The City contractor West Coast Arborists removed twenty stumps around town. Most of these locations will be replanted with shade trees in the near future

b. Tree Division pruned all trees in the City Plaza. Trees were elevated to prepare for the ice-skating rink and to improve sightlines for security cameras.

c. The “bomb cyclone” storm October 24 resulted in hundreds of calls for service from downed limbs and trees as well as localized flooding. Public Works and contractors worked tirelessly on cleanup operations. See photos 1 and 3.



## 6. Outreach, Training and Education

a. All tree Division staff attended a joint training with CARD staff. The topic covered was Visual Tree Risk Assessment.

b. UFM attended Partners in Community Forestry conference via live-stream as well as a webinar on growing trees in paved sites.

c. As part of BECs contractual requirements, staff attended training on USA utility locate procedures as part of the planning process for tree planting events.

d. The UFMP survey is still open for public comments. The link to the survey is:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ChicoBosquesUrbanos> Spanish version.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ChicoUFMP> English version






To date, over 370 surveys have been completed.

## 7. Street Tree Supervisor Report






The Street Tree Supervisor's monthly summary data tables for October and November are included below:

### MONTHLY SUMMARY TABLES

**Table 1 Staff hours October**

Category	Staff Hours	% of Total	% Change from Last Month	Trend
<u>Tree Crew Hours</u>				
1. Safety	111	6.2%	158.6%	
2. Tree Work	695	38.6%	132.4%	
3. Special Projects	953	52.9%	9530.0%	
4. Admin Time/Other	42	2.3%	105.0%	
Monthly Totals	1801	100.0%	279.2%	

**Table 2 Staff hours November**

Category	Staff Hours	% of Total	% Change from Last Month	Trend
<u>Tree Crew Hours</u>				
1. Safety	74	11.2%	66.7%	
2. Tree Work	281	42.5%	40.4%	
3. Special Projects	256	38.7%	26.9%	
4. Admin Time/Other	50	7.6%	119.0%	
Monthly Totals	661	100.0%	36.7%	

**Table 3 Staff productivity October**

Item	Values	% Change from Last Month	Trend
<b>5. Productivity</b>			
<b>Calls</b>			
Call Outs	364	265.7%	-----□
Service Requests: Submitted	0	-	-----□
Service Requests: Completed	155	128.1%	
Sub Total	0	-	-----
<b>Trees</b>			
Planted: Trees	0	-	□
Pruned	98	130.7%	-----□
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	-	
Removed: Stumps	0	-	-----□
Removed: Trees	13	61.9%	-----□
Sub Total	111	115.6%	
<b>Tree Permits (#)</b>			
Submitted	10	83.3%	-----□
Approved	10	111.1%	-----□
Denied	0	-	□
Total	20	95.2%	-----□
<b>6. Contracts</b>			
Expenditures (\$)	\$ -	-	-----□
<b>Trees (#)</b>			
Planted	0	-	
Pruned	0	-	□
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	-	□
Removed: Stumps	0	-	□
Removed: Trees	0	-	
Routine Maintenance	0	-	-----□
Total	0	-	

**Table 4 Staff productivity November**

Item	Values	% Change from Last Month	Trend
<b>5. Productivity</b>			
<b>Calls</b>			
Call Outs	79	21.7%	.....0.
Service Requests: Submitted	0	-	.....
Service Requests: Completed	102	65.8%	.....
Sub Total	0	-	-----
<b>Trees</b>			
Planted: Trees	0	-	..- .....
Pruned	109	111.2%	.....
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	-	.....
Removed: Stumps	0	-	.....
Removed: Trees	4	30.8%	.....
Sub Total	113	101.8%	.....
<b>Tree Permits (#)</b>			
Submitted	0	0.0%	.....
Approved	0	0.0%	.....
Denied	0	-	..
Total	0	0.0%	.....
<b>6. Contracts</b>			
Expenditures (\$)	\$ -	-	-.0.
<b>Trees (#)</b>			
Planted	0	-	..
Pruned	0	-	..
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	-	.....
Removed: Stumps	0	-	..-
Removed: Trees	0	-	..
Routine Maintenance	0	-	.....
Total	0	-	-.0.

## 8. Upcoming Issues/Miscellaneous:

- a. Public Works Tree Division submitted a proposal for the FY21/22 round of Cal Fire Urban and Community Forestry funding. A program of works for \$604,681 was proposed for a total of 1000 new trees planted. The proposal outlined various ways to engage residents to receive new trees through collaborations with many local non-profits and foundations. A decision will likely be made early 2022.
- b. In conjunction with Dudek, UFM will be presenting a session at the International Society of Arborists annual conference via live stream in December. The session will highlight outreach strategies over and above the online survey.
- c. The application for the 38th Tree City USA and the 4th Growth award will be submitted in December.
- d. Tree removal operations along the median of South Park Drive are tentatively scheduled for January 2022.

## PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1 October 24 storm. Whole tree failure on E. 5th St and Cypress.



Photo 2. Tree Crew working on Bruce St. Safety prune of tree over the bridge.



Photo 3. City crew clearing storm debris in Bidwell park



Photo 4. Community Volunteers including CSU students turned out *en masse* to plant 30 residential shade trees Nov 13



Photo 5. Community Volunteers turned out *en masse* to plant 30 residential shade trees Nov 13