



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

Regular Meeting Agenda
February 28, 2022, 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
- 1.3. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair- Linda Herman, Parks and Natural Resources Manager

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 12/14/21.

2.2. PERMIT TO HOLD A SHAKESPEARN PERFORMANCE IN CEDAR GROVE MEADOW FROM JUNE 1, 2022 TO JUNE 11, 2022

Erin Horst from Legacy Stage (applicant), requests to hold a Shakespearean performance in the Cedar Grove Meadow four evenings a week on Wednesday through Saturday, starting on June 1, 2022 to June 11, 2022. The reservation request is from 6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. each night, with the actual performances being held from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 or 10: p.m. The applicant is also requesting to reserve the Meadow for three additional days for rehearsals.

Recommendation: *Conditional approval of the permit*

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT – IF ANY

4. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1. CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF A DENIED TREE REMOVAL PERMIT FOR 5 LONDON COURT.

Louise Murad (Applicant) requested a permit to remove one Maple tree located at 5 London Court. The Applicant cites raised sidewalks, broken sprinklers and that the tree was not planted as part of the development. Staff denied the permit as the tree is not dead, dying, or poses a dangerous or defective condition. Per the Chico Municipal Code and at the request of the Applicant, the BPPC is considering an appeal of the denied permit. **(Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager)**

Recommendation: The Urban Forest Manager requests that Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) make a determination to a) Uphold the denial of the tree removal permit or b) Grant approval to remove the tree with any conditions deemed appropriate.

4.2. CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF A DENIED TREE REMOVAL AT 680 CAMELLIA WAY.

Mr. Bracewell requested the removal Hackberry tree located at the end of Camellia Way adjacent to the Newton-Bracewell Funeral Home. Mr. Bracewell cites sidewalk and sprinkler damage as well as fruit debris falling onto the sidewalk and vehicles as justification for removal. Staff denied the removal as the tree is not dead, dying, or poses a dangerous or defective condition. Per the Chico Municipal Code and at the request of the Applicant, the BPPC is considering an appeal of the denied removal. (**Report – Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager**)

Recommendation: The Urban Forest Manager requests that BPPC make a determination to a) Uphold the denial of the tree removal or b) Grant approval to remove the tree with any conditions deemed appropriate.

5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1. UPDATE REGARDING CSU, CHICO'S NEW BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL SCIENCES BUILDING AND NEED FOR AN OPEN SPACE EASEMENT ON A PORTION OF CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND.

The BPPC will receive an update from Staff on the University's plans to demolish their existing Physical Sciences Building that is located adjacent to Children's Playground and to build a new Behavior and Social Sciences Building. Due to State Fire regulations, an open space easement over a portion of the western side of Children's Playground is required for the project, which was approved by the City Council on 10/19/22. (**Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resource Manager**)

Recommendation: The Urban Forest Manager is seeking direction from the Commission on the University's request to remove four trees as part of the project.

5.2. UPDATE ON A PROPOSAL TO RESTORE NATIVE FISH PASSAGE ON BIG CHICO CREEK AT THE IRON CANYON FISH LADDER IN UPPER BIDWELL PARK

The Bidwell Park & Playground Commission will receive an update on renewed interest in restoring the Iron Canyon Fish Ladder in Upper Bidwell Park to allow fish passage, such as spring run Chinook salmon, steelhead, and other native species, to access upstream holding, spawning, and rearing habitats on Big Chico Creek. (**Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resource Manager**)

Recommendation: The Parks & Natural Resources Manager recommends that the BPPC consider supporting the new proposed Iron Canyon Fish Project and the pursuit of grant funding.

5.3. APPROVAL OF THE 2022 BPPC MEETING CALENDAR

The Commission is requested to approve the proposed BPPC regular meeting dates for 2022.

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; comments are limited to three minutes. The Commission cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Items provided for the Commission's information and discussion. No action can be taken on any of the items unless the Commission agrees to include them to 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. 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.

- 8.1.** By email dated 2/21/22, Commissioner Glatz requests to agendize discussion regarding allowing free permits to play acoustic music in the downtown City Plaza.
- 8.2.** By email dated 2/24/22, Commissioner Glatz requests to agendize whether to allow a mobile coffee shop to set up at Sycamore Pool in the mornings.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on 3/28/22 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Chico Municipal Center building located at 421 Main Street, Chico, California.



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**CITY OF CHICO
BIDWELL PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION (BPPC)
MINUTES OF THE
December 13, 2021 MEETING**

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
Anjanette Shadley
Larry Willis

Commissioners Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Erik Gustafson (Public Works Director O&M)
Linda Herman (Park and Natural Resource Manager)

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 10th year for this event.

Action: Conditional approval of the permit

Chair Glatz requested that Consent Item 2.2 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thomas-Petty and seconded by Commissioner Wolfe to approve the 10/25/21 Meeting Minutes.

The motion carried as follows:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT

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Action: Conditional approval of the permit

Chair Glatz pulled this item to compliment the Applicant for abiding by the noise restrictions at a previous event in Lower Bidwell Park and requested that the noise restrictions be added to the "Conditions" on this and future park permit applications. Staff responded that Condition #1 on the permit staff report states that the applicant is "to adhere to all park rules", which includes the noise restrictions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shadley which was seconded by Commissioner Willis to approve the permit application for this race.

The motion carried as follows:

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

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.

Staff provided 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). Staff also reported that the only comments received were from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife which were incorporated in the final MMRP.

Recommendation: None, this was an informational item only.

There were no comments from the public on this item.

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 unhouse population and situation in the City's parks and waterways for discussion related to assessing and repairing damages to the parks, greenways, and waterways.

Director of Public Works – Operations & Maintenance Erik Gustafson provided a verbal update on this item.

Recommendation: None, this was an informational item only and there was no direction from the Commission on this item.

There were no comments from the public on this item.

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 requested additional information on the composition of the Ad-Hoc Committee regarding its size and desired targeted stakeholder groups. (*Report – Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager*).

Recommendation: That the BPPC agreed to continue the Ad-Hoc Committee consisting of the two Commissioners Megan-Petty and Willis and to invite representatives from the following interest groups to be part of the Committee:

- Bicycle Community, such as Chico Velo, bicycle shops etc.
 - Chico Equestrian Association
 - Running Clubs, such as Chico Running Club and Fleet Feet
 - Hikers/Walkers, such as Chico Hiking Association and senior groups.
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There were no comments from the public on this item.

6. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR – There was no Business from the Floor.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

These items were provided for the Commission’s information only. Although the Commission discussed some of the items, no action regarding these items could be or was taken at this meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm to the next regular BPPC meeting on January 31, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. to be held in the Chico City Council Chamber Building, located at 421 Main Street in Chico, California.

Date Approved: ___/___/___

Prepared by:

Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager

Date

Distribution: BPPC



BPPC Staff Report

Meeting Date 2/28/22

DATE: 2/19/22
 TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission
 FROM: Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager
 SUBJECT: Legacy Stage – Shakespeare Performance

REPORT IN BRIEF:

Erin Horst from Legacy Stage (applicant), requests to hold a Shakespearean performance in the Cedar Grove Meadow four evenings a week on Wednesday through Saturday, starting on June 1, 2022 to June 11, 2022. The reservation request is from 6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. each night, with the actual performances being held from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 or 10: p.m. The group is also requesting the used of the Cedar Grove on 5/28/22, 5/30/22 and 5/31/22 from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. for rehearsals.

Recommendation: Conditional approval.

Event Details

Date of Application	09/29/21
Date of Event	Wednesday through Saturday between 6/01/22 and 6/11/22 (rehearsals on 5/28, 5/30 and 5/31/22)
Time of Reservation/ Event	5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. total time./ 8:00 pm. to 9:30 pm for performances
Event Name	Legacy Stage Performance
Applicant Name	Erin Horst
Location	Cedar Grove Meadow
Description	Conduct a Shakespeare theatre performance at the Cedar Grove Meadow. Acoustic music but no amplified sound will be use. Will also use free-standing lighting (see attached picture).
New Event?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No. If no, # of years: 2
Participant Fee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No. If, yes, fee amount: \$25.00
# Participants	150 each performance plus cast members
Amount of Fees to be paid	\$870.00 for the performances \$270 for the rehearsals
Reason for BPPC Consideration?	Exceed 15 hours or is for multiple days. Also requests Cedar Grove exterior gate to remain open until 10:30 p.m.

Conditions:

Staff recommends the following conditions:

- Continued adherence to all park rules.
- Allow the entrance/exit gate on 8th Street to be kept open until 10:30 pm instead of 9 p.m.
- Applicant will honor requests for reasonable accommodation under the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act).
- No items, props, stage setting, etc. may be left in the Park between performances.
- Applicant will need to do a final inspection of the Cedar Grove Meadow at the conclusion of each performance (and the entire event) and remove signs and other items, as well as pick up any trash generated from the performances.

Attachments: Two Application and Permit for Park Use

Distribution: Erin Horst



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

Number of People:

150
or less

151
or more

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)

- 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**

- Bidwell Bowl Amphitheater
 - Electricity (15 amp)

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 //

- Children's Playground
 - Electricity (15 amp) Pick up key Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
 - Electricity (100 amp)
 - Water (Public Events Only)

- Council Ring
 - Fire Permit

- Picnic Site No. 37 (Redwood Grove) **No vehicle access before 11 am**

- Depot Park
 - Electricity (15 amp)

- Upper Bidwell Park (Public Events only)

- Lower 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: 100px;" type="text" value="2"/>	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"/>	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Will there be amplified sound/music at the event? (Please see the Noise Conditions for Park Use in Section 4) Specify type (microphone, band, radio, PA system etc.): <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
When will amplified sound/music be heard? Time from: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> Note: 50 / 100 amp electrical service requires a certified electrician to operate	Yes	No
Will there be an entertainment apparatus anywhere? These are only allowed in certain areas of the park. No water apparatus allowed. Operator to provide proof of insurance to the City Park Division prior to event.	Yes	No
<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Name of Operator: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Will there be any vendors selling food, merchandise, or services at this event? (no glass or alcohol permitted) If selling food, please describe how it will be prepared at the event: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Valid permit from Butte County Environmental Health is required for all food vendors and must be on hand.		
Will event require that any part of the Park remain closed beyond the normal time of opening? 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)	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please state which gates: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> Time of closure: from: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" 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: 50px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>		
Portable Restrooms: 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
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Restroom company: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Location(s) of portable restrooms: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Note: Restrooms shall be removed within 32 hours after conclusion of event.		
Trash and Recycling: 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
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trash company: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Will your event include the use of any signs, banners, or decorations? (Please see Conditions for Park Use in Section 4)	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe type and location: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text" value="See attached"/>		
Note: All signs and banners shall be free standing and not affixed to trees or Park property		
Will water be needed during your event? If yes, for what purpose: Please provide your own hose and shut-off nozzle. No hose bib is available at One Mile Recreation Area.	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this a walk, run or bike race event?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If so, are you using the standard race course? If not, please provide a map.	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Note: Not using the standard race course requires Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) approval		
One Mile / Sycamore Field: If this is a One Mile reservation, will Sycamore Field be needed?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, you will need to contact CARD at 545 Vallombrosa Ave. Chico (530) 895-4711.		
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.		
Will vendors be placed on the perimeter sidewalks?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, a Vend, Peddler, Hawk permit must be obtained from the Engineering Division at 411 Main Street, Chico (530) 879-6900.		
Will City street closure(s) be needed?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, a separate permit must be obtained from the Engineering Division at 411 Main Street, Chico (530) 879-6900.		

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	3	165
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		
Damage Deposit Fee (Refundable)	\$150		
Event Fees Based on Number of Participants			
1 - 150	\$75		
151 - 250	\$150		
251 - 500	\$230		
501 - 1,000	\$525		
1,001 plus (see line below)	\$750		
\$0.50 per participant exceeding 1001	\$0.50	# over 1001	
Additional Fees Applicable to All Reservations			
	Fee	No. of Units	Total
Early Entrance Fee (before 7 am)	\$35 / hour		
Events with vendors selling food, beverages, merchandise, or services	\$10 / vendor		
Sound/Electricity (15 amp)	\$15 / day		
Sound/Electricity (50 or 100 amp)	\$35 / day	3	105
City Plaza Additional Restrooms (200+ participants)	\$112.50 / day		

Fees due upon submittal of application	Park Fee Total:	270
Credit Card payment will be assessed a 2.75% convenience fee	Convenience Fee:	
Make checks payable to: City of Chico	Total Fee Required:	270

City of Chico Cash Receipt No: Payment Method: Date: Received by:

SECTION 4 - CONDITIONS FOR PARK USE

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

Alcohol	Alcohol is not permitted in any City Park or Playground.
BBQs	Portable BBQs (charcoal or propane only) 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.
Bicycles	Bicycles 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. Bicycle riding is not allowed in Caper Acres or on the Sycamore pool deck.
Bounce Houses	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. The operators of this equipment must provide proof of insurance to the Park Division prior to event. Bounce houses are not allowed in Caper Acres.
Campfires	No campfires allowed at any time, except by permit and only in the Council Ring.
Camping	No overnight camping allowed unless authorized by the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission. Bidwell Park is a day use only park.
Clean up	Permittee is required to completely clean up area at the conclusion of event.
Damages	Any damage to City property as a result of this event will be repaired at permittee's expense.
Dogs	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. Dogs are not allowed in Caper Acres, One Mile or Five Mile swimming areas, or designated swimming holes in Upper Park.
Electrical	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.
Fishing	Big Chico Creek: Check California Fish and Wildlife Regulations: www.wildlife.ca.gov . Horseshoe Lake: Age 14 and over - license required, catch and release. Under 14 - no license required, catch and keep.
Gate Closures	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: www.chico.ca.us/park-trails .
Glass	No glass containers allowed in any City Park or Playground.
Horses	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.
Noise	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.
Park Closures	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 9:00 pm October - March, and 11:00 pm April - September unless posted otherwise. Park may be closed during Red Flag Fire Warning or high wind advisory days.
Signs/Defacing	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.
Smoking	Smoking or vaping is not permitted in any City Park or Playground.
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Approved by _____

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

Number of People:

150 or less 151 or more **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: 6/1, 6/2, 6/3, 6/4, 6/8, 6/9, 6/10, 6/11

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: 150px;" type="text" value="2"/>	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) Specify type (microphone, hand, radio, PA system etc.): <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
When will amplified sound/music be heard? Time from: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/> <small>Note: 50 / 100 amp electrical service requires a certified electrician to operate.</small>	Yes	No
Will there be an entertainment apparatus anywhere? These are only allowed in certain areas of the park. No water apparatus allowed. Operator to provide proof of insurance to the City Park Division prior to event.	Yes	No
<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Name of Operator: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text"/>		
Will there be any vendors selling food, merchandise, or services at this event? (no glass or alcohol permitted) If selling food, please describe how it will be prepared at the event: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text" value="1 or 2 - prepacked concessions"/>	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valid permit from Butte County Environmental Health is required for all food vendors and must be on hand.		
Will event require that any part of the Park remain closed beyond the normal time of opening? <small>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)</small>	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please state which gates: <input style="width: 80px;" type="text" value="Cedar Grove"/> Time of closure: from: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="10:30"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="11"/>		
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: 50px;" type="text"/> to: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>		
Portable Restrooms: 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
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Restroom company: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Location(s) of portable restrooms: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>		
<small>Note: Restrooms shall be removed within 32 hours after conclusion of event.</small>		
Trash and Recycling: 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
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trash company: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> Phone number: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>		
Will your event include the use of any signs, banners, or decorations? (Please see Conditions for Park Use in Section 4)	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe type and location: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="See attached"/>		
<small>Note: All signs and banners shall be free standing and not affixed to trees or Park property</small>		
Will water be needed during your event? If yes, for what purpose: Please provide your own hose and shut-off nozzle. No hose bib is available at One Mile Recreation Area.	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this a walk, run or bike race event?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If so, are you using the standard race course? If not, please provide a map.	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<small>Note: Not using the standard race course requires Bidwell Park & Playground Commission (BPPC) approval</small>		
One Mile / Sycamore Field: If this is a One Mile reservation, will Sycamore Field be needed?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<small>If yes, you will need to contact CARD at 545 Vallombrosa Ave. Chico (530) 895-4711.</small>		
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.		
Will vendors be placed on the perimeter sidewalks?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<small>If yes, a Vend, Peddler, Hawk permit must be obtained from the Engineering Division at 411 Main Street, Chico (530) 879-6900.</small>		
Will City street closure(s) be needed?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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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		
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City Plaza - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
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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		
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One Mile Oak Grove A - Partial Day (5 hours or less)	\$55		
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****Other Areas Require BPPC Approval**

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Description	Fee	No. of Units	Total
Application Processing Fee	\$40		40
Damage Deposit Fee (Refundable)	\$150		150
Event Fees Based on Number of Participants			
1 - 150	\$75		450
151 - 250	\$150		
251 - 500	\$230		
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1,001 plus (see line below)	\$750		
\$0.50 per participant exceeding 1001	\$0.50	# over 1001	
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Sound/Electricity (50 or 100 amp)	\$35 / day	6	210
City Plaza Additional Restrooms (200 + participants)	\$112.50 / day		

Fees due upon submittal of application	Park Fee Total:	870
Credit Card payment will be assessed a 2.75% convenience fee	Convenience Fee:	
Make checks payable to: City of Chico	Total Fee Required:	870.00

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SECTION 4 - CONDITIONS FOR PARK USE

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Reason for Denial:

Approved by _____

Date _____



DATE: 2/28/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission
FROM: Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager
SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF A DENIED TREE REMOVAL PERMIT FOR 5 LONDON CT

REPORT IN BRIEF:

Applicant Ms. Murad is requesting to remove the Maple shade tree in front of her residence at 5 London Ct. Ms. Murad cites raised sidewalks, broken sprinklers, and that the tree was not a condition of development as justification for removal.

***Recommendation:** Urban Forest Manager requests that BPPC make a determination to a) Uphold the denial of the tree removal permit or b) Grant approval to remove the tree with any conditions deemed appropriate.*

Background:

Pursuant to CMC 14.40.120 of Chapter 14.40 Street Trees, no tree located in the City right-of-way (ROW) or public planting area shall be removed without a permit or permission of the City and only in those cases whereby the tree is dead, dying, diseased or hazardous. On 1/28/22. Ms. Murad submitted an application to remove two trees. Please see Attachment A for the Tree permit application and other information

Discussion:

Willoughby Glen Phase 1 is a subdivision built around 2004. Trees in the subdivision are generally the same age as the subdivision, approximately eighteen years old. The neighborhood has ROW trees planted in the park strip. Species composition in the Willoughby Glen subdivision is predominantly White ash and Red Maple with the occasional accent tree such as Dogwood.

Ash tree: As part of a citywide inventory on 7/30/20, the Ash tree was identified as Priority 3 removal. Permission was therefore granted administratively to remove the Ash tree because it is dying. Ms. Murad was also informed that the City would schedule removal of the tree at City cost, but that no specific timeline could be provided for a Priority 3 removal. Ms. Murad has elected to go forward with a permit for the removal at her expense.

Maple tree During the same assessment, the Maple tree was assessed as being in "fair" condition. Some trunk decay was noted but was not of concern. The maintenance need was assessed as "large tree routine prune." This maintenance classification is typical for trees that show no urgent need for maintenance.

Red maple trees typically reach a mature height of 30-60' in the urban landscape. Longevity is typically 80-100 years. It is anticipated that the useful life is an additional 60-80 years, providing shade and aesthetic benefits to the community for many more years. To accept living in Chico is to accept natural debris and maintenance requirements from City owned and private trees.

Ms. Murad has lived at the address from the time it was built and provided some history to the tree. She stated that it was planted as an additional tree by the homeowner at 9 London Ct. Ms. Murad has suggested that the tree should be considered as an additional tree and therefore was not a requirement of approval when the subdivision was built.

Timeline:

July 2020 City assesses trees
Jan 2022 Ms. Murad submits permit to remove two trees.
Feb 2022 Ms. Murad was sent an email advising that the Ash tree removal is approved, but the Mapletree removal was denied. A root pruning permit was provided to assist with any irrigation repairs. Applicant was informed that a ticket for sidewalk repair would also be created.

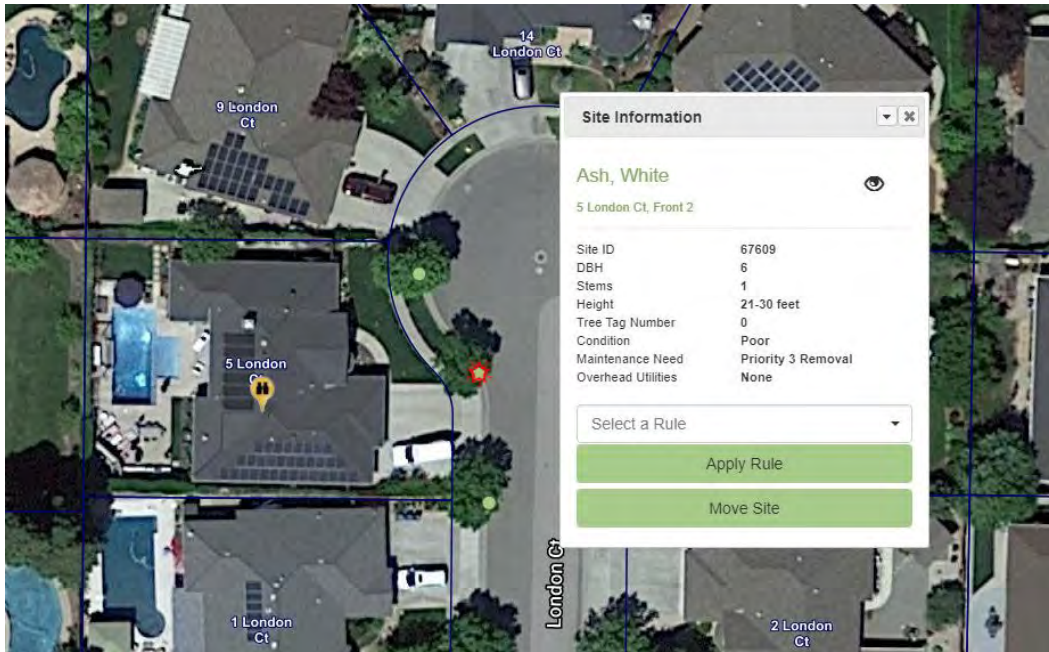


Figure 1. Location and condition report of ash tree (circled in red) that was administratively approved for removal.

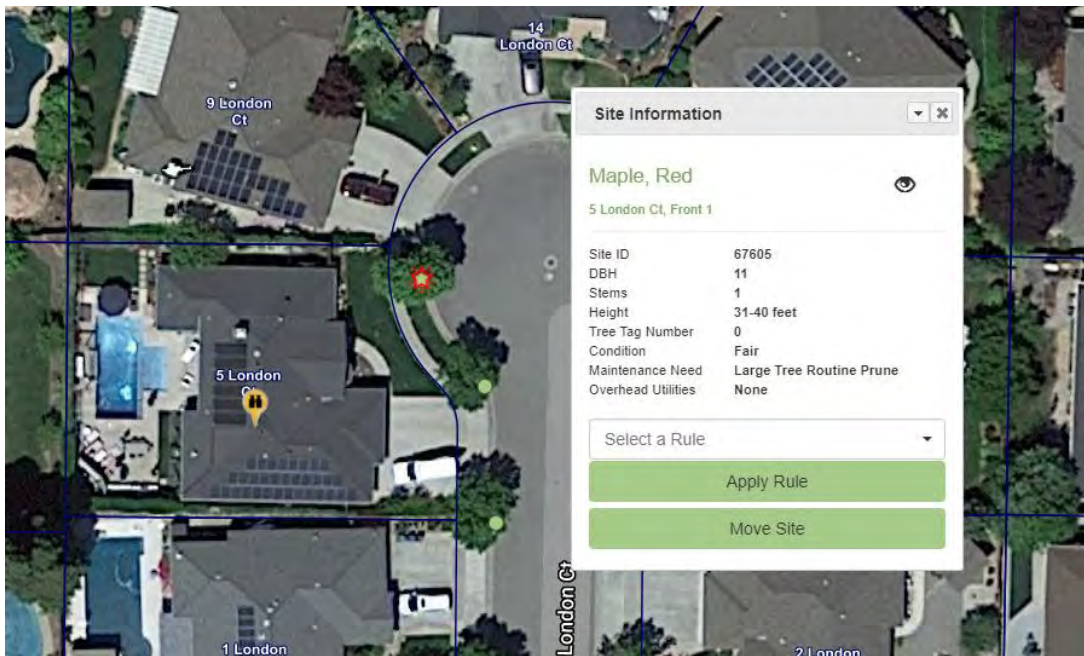


Figure 2. Location and condition report of maple tree (circled in red) that was denied for removal.



Figure 3. street View image of public landscape adjacent to 5 London Ct. Tree circled in green is the ash tree approved for removal. Tree circled in yellow is the maple denied for removal. Trees circled in red are Crape myrtles that are no longer present.



Figure 4 and 5. Photographs of the trunk and root flare. Submitted by the applicant.



Figure 6. Sprinklers impacted by roots.



Figure 7. Roots adjacent to sidewalk



Figure 8 and 9. Slabs lifted by roots. The slab is currently lifted ½”.

Attachments:

Attachment A:

- Permit application.
- Quote from About Trees.
- Permit approval for ash tree removal / denial for removal of maple tree.
- Permit approval to root prune maple tree for irrigation repair.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STREET TREES DIVISION

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CITY OF CHICO

**APPLICATION REQUESTING PERMISSION
TO PLANT, REMOVE, ALTER OR DISTURB PUBLIC TREES**

Louise Murad
Property Owner

Representative

S London Ct
Property Owner Address including zip code

Representative Address

Owner's Phone Number -

Representative Phone Number -

Owner's Email Address -

Representative's Email Address -

Request to: Plant

Remove

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Address where tree(s) are located:

S London Ct

Number of Tree(s):

2

Diameter of Tree(s)

Species of tree(s): (Use additional paper if necessary)

8"

Ash

10"

Maple

Reason for request:

Sprinklers ^{pipe} have shattered twice and water main is next to tree! Tree is also lifting driveway and sidewalk. Ash is diseased and dying.

Please enclose a map showing the exact location of the trees(s) and any proposed improvements along with any other documents which will help explain your request

ONLY TREE SERVICES APPROVED BY THE CITY MAY PERFORM WORK ON CITY TREES

Tree Service Performing Work

About Trees

Phone #

530 343-4533

Chico Business License #

California Contractor's License #

1063007

Certified Arborist #

X

Date of Application

11/28/22

X

Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Representative

Louise Murad

**Please submit completed application to streettrees@chico.ca.gov, deliver in person to address above or mail to PO Box 3420, Chico CA 95927



Pruning - Removal - Stump Grinding - Emergency Services

Corporate Office: 2 Crusader Ct, Chico, CA 95973

Chico Area: 530.343.4533 Redding Area: 530.246.2477

Fax: 530.267.8855 Email: info@abouttrees.us Web: www.ahr

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STREET TREES DIVISION

965 Fir Street
Chico, CA 95927-3



Proposal Submitted to: LOUISE MURAO

Date: 11/25/12

Billing Address: 5 LONDON CT
City, State, Zip Code: CHICO CA 95973

Job Address:

Phone:

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Fax:

Equipment needed:

Email: LOUISE1

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About Trees submits specifications and estimates for:

REMOVES 2 CITY TREE IN FRONT OF ASH AND 1 M.
HACK WOOD AND DEBRIS

Louise
Property Owner
S. Lemoore
Property Owner

GRIND STUMP @ LEAVE EXTRA MUDCH
GRIND ABOUT 20" MORE FROM STUMP DIAMETER 250

Owner's
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CUSTOMER ITS GOINT TO GET CITY PERMIT

ASH 8" DBH MABLE 10" DBH

Owner Agrees to pay for services at completion of the job. Invoices will incur a 1% monthly finance charge per 30 days not paid

About Trees hereby proposes to furnish material and labor to complete services in accordance with above specifications for the sum of:

Dollars \$ _____

Owner agrees to identify: water lines, phone, gas, power, irrigation, septic/sewer. About Trees will not be liable for damages to unidentified utilities. This is a visual/ground-based assessment. Unseen hazards may become apparent upon climbing, which may result in additional cost to ensure safety. Customer will be notified prior to any additional costs. _____ Initials

Payment Terms: Due upon completion of Job

Client Signature: _____

Acceptance of Proposal - The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to complete the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above.

Client Print: _____

About Trees Authorized Representative / Date
ACAP 11/1

Date of Acceptance: _____

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by us if not accepted within 15 Days.

All services are guaranteed to be as specified. All work to be completed in a workmanlike manner according to standard arborist practices. Any alternation or deviation from above will become an extra charge over and above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written orders, and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements are contingent upon strikes, accidents or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, tornado and other necessary insurance. Our workers are fully covered by Workmen's Compensation Insurance.



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**PERMIT
TO
PLANT, REMOVE, ALTER OR DISTURB PUBLIC TREES**

TO: Louise Murad
5 London Ct
Chico, CA 95926

DATE: 2/9/22

Your application requesting permission to plant, remove, alter or disturb public trees has been:

Approved subject to the condition(s) listed below.

Denied for reason(s) listed below

Appeal Procedure: Should you disagree with this and wish to appeal this decision; you must submit a written letter addressed to the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission within 15 days of the receipt of this notice of denial. Any appeal submitted will be placed on the next regular meeting of the Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (last Monday of each month).

Condition(s) of approval/reason(s) for denial:

Location: 5 London Ct

Approved: Removal of Ash tree Site ID 67609. Tree to be stump ground to City standards including depth to 18", backfill with loam, haul grindings. City will pay for replacement tree.

Denied: Removal of Maple tree Site ID 67605. Tree is not dead dying or diseased.

2/9/22

UFM Richie Bamlet

(Date)

Park Director or authorized City representative

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Location: 5 London Ct

Approved: Root pruning: Maple tree Site ID 67605.

Roots closer than 24" to trunk cannot be cut.

Roots greater than 2" cannot be cut short. Lateral shaving is allowed to 50% maximum diameter.

Roots must be cut with sharp clean hand tools only.

No more than 25% of root plate can be removed.

Above ground irrigation install and abandonment of existing to be considered in lieu of trenching below ground for repair.

Please flood irrigate the tree under the dripline to ensure recovery after root pruning.

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DATE: 2/28/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission
FROM: Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager
SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF A DENIED TREE REMOVAL FOR 680 CAMELLIA WAY

REPORT IN BRIEF:

Applicant Mr. Bracewell is requesting to remove the Hackberry tree located at the end of Camellia Way adjacent to the Newton-Bracewell Funeral Home. Mr. Bracewell cites sidewalk and sprinkler damage as well as fruit debris falling onto the sidewalk and vehicles as justification for removal.

Recommendation: *Urban Forest Manager (UFM) requests that BPPC make a determination to a) uphold the denial of the tree removal or b) grant approval to remove the tree with any conditions deemed appropriate.*

Background:

Pursuant to CMC 14.40.120 of Chapter 14.40 Street Trees, no tree located in the City right-of-way or public planting area shall be removed without a permit or permission of the City and only in those cases whereby the tree is dead, dying, diseased or hazardous.

On 12/12/19, Mr. Bracewell and son met with Urban Forest Manager onsite. Mr. Bracewell explained the reasons for wishing to remove the trees and replace the sidewalk. The UFM was not able to approve removal of the trees for the reasons that were presented. At that time, the City did not have an active sidewalk repair program up and running with sufficient budget to replace 50' of sidewalk.

On 1/26/22, Mr. Bracewell and son met with the Urban Forest Manager and Public Works Manager again onsite for a reassessment of site conditions. The Public Works Manager determined that sidewalk replacement could be justified. This work will be scheduled in the medium term under contract as part of the City sidewalk repair program. This work will include any necessary root pruning which will also take care of any concerns about roots growing near to the building. The UFM stated that trees can be pruned to reduce the dripline and quantity of fruit litter. However, the tree is in good condition and is not dead, dying, or diseased. Removal of the hackberry tree could therefore not be approved at the staff level.

Discussion:

The Mangrove neighborhood of Chico has many mature trees dating back to the 1930's and 1940's. The tree canopy composition is diverse with a wide range of tree species. The east side of Camellia Way adjacent to the Newton-Bracewell Funeral Home has two Chinese Hackberries, two Sweetgum and one Silver maple.

Chinese hackberry trees typically reach a mature height of 30-60' in the urban landscape. Longevity is typically 150-200 years.

The Chinese hackberry was assessed as part of the Citywide inventory on 2/5/2020. At that time the tree was assessed as being in "good" condition. The maintenance need was determined to be "Large tree routine prune". This is indicative of a tree that has no defects and of good health. Pruning to provide building clearance was also recommended.

The age of the tree is not known. Tree diameter is 21". This can be used to estimate the age of the tree at between 30 and 50 years old. It is anticipated that the useful life is an additional 100+ years, therefore providing shade and aesthetic benefits to the community for many more years. To accept living in Chico is to accept natural debris and maintenance requirements from City owned and private trees.

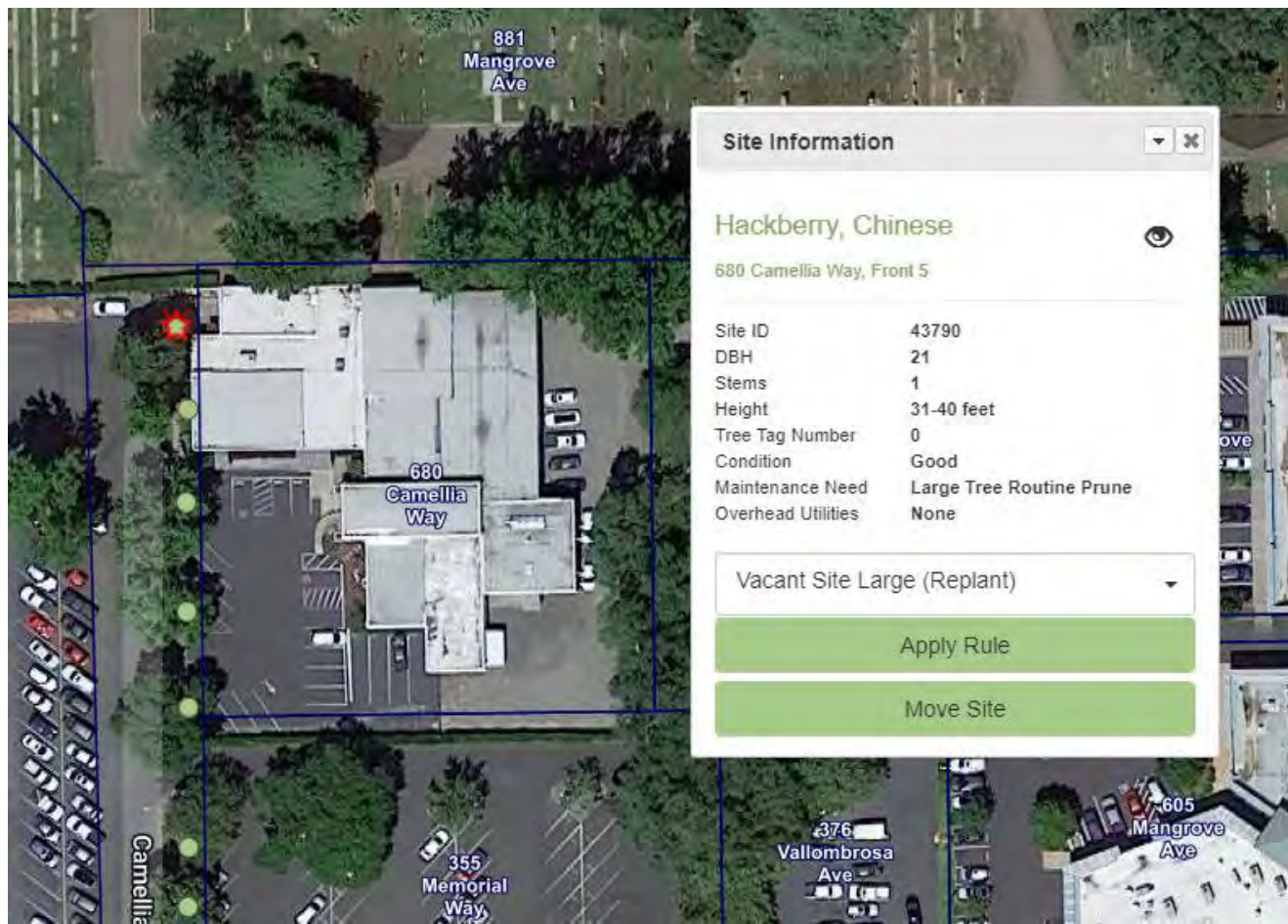


Figure 1. Location and condition report of hackberry tree (circled in red)



Figure 2.

Hackberry tree (left side of photo) and sidewalk showing lifted slabs.



Figure 3. View of hackberry (circled in green)

Timeline:

- Dec 2019 Onsite meeting with UFM. Mr. Bracewell was advised that trees were healthy and therefore could not be approved for removal.
- Jan 2022 Mr. Bracewell reached out to the City again for a site reassessment. UFM and Public Works Manager met onsite with Mr. Bracewell and son. Mr. Bracewell was informed that sidewalk repair would be scheduled and that all the trees on Camellia Way adjacent to the funeral home would be scheduled for pruning in the near future.
- Feb 2022 Mr. Bracewell was informed that a tree removal appeal for the Hackberry would be put on the agenda of the next BPPC meeting.



Bidwell Park & Playground Commission Report

Meeting Date 2/28/22

DATE: 2/19/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)
FROM: Erik Gustafson, Director of Public Works O&M
SUBJECT: UPDATE REGARDING CSU, CHICO'S NEW BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL SCIENCES BUILDING AND NEED FOR AN OPEN SPACE EASEMENT ON A PORTION OF CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND.

REPORT IN BRIEF:

California State University Chico (CSUC) is demolishing its Physical Science Building adjacent to the Children's Playground at 1st Street and Esplanade Avenue in downtown Chico to build a new Behavior and Social Sciences Building. Pursuant State building code requirements, the State Fire Marshall is requiring an open space easement preventing the construction of any structures within 15.5 feet from the property line and an emergency vehicle access turn around for the project. As this is a real property transaction, the City Council reviewed and authorized the open space easement on 10/19/21 to CSUC for compliance with these building regulations.

Recommendation: The Urban Forest Manager is seeking direction from the Commission on the University's request to remove four trees as part of the project.

BACKGROUND:

In 1911, Annie Bidwell sold the property bound by Big Chico Creek, the Esplanade, 1st Street and the adjacent property owned by Bidwell Presbyterian Church and CSU, Chico to the west to City of Chico for one dollar. This property is currently known as Children's Playground, which contains a playground, a large grass area, and other park amenities. The deed transferring the property stipulates that the property not to be sold and that it would continue for perpetuity to be used as a park and playground or the property would revert to the Bidwell's heirs.

In mid-2020, CSU, Chico contacted Staff indicating that it would be remodeling its Physical Sciences building into a new Academic Multipurpose Building. However, the University decided that the building would be demolished and that a new building for the College of Behavior and Social Sciences would be constructed instead.

DISCUSSION:

Although the original deed prevents the property from being anything but a park, the State Fire Marshall is requiring that an open space easement be granted and recorded on the property to prevent the construction of any above ground buildings or structures within the 15 feet from the east side of the CSUC property line for fire protection purposes and to comply with Chapter 7 of the 2019 California Building Code – Fire and Smoke Protection Features. The State Fire Marshall is also requiring a "hammerhead" turnaround area for emergency vehicles in the northwest portion of the park. A plat of the proposed open space easement is attached as Attachment A. The plan is to use "turf pavers in the hammerhead area that will prevent rutting and tire marks and can withstand the weight of heavy duty vehicles, including Fire trucks.

Currently, the area within this easement is used for landscaping and a pedestrian/bicycle path for students and the public to connect to the University and other bike paths and does not include the play structures. The City does not anticipate the need for construction of buildings or structures within this easement in the future. The easement will also terminate if the University ever demolishes the building in the future.

For the City's consideration of granting an easement, the University also expressed an interest in making improvements to the adjacent Bidwell Bowl facility, which has experienced much vandalism and deterioration over time. Some of the University's initial improvement ideas included the following:

1. Facility improvements including new seat benches.
2. Walkway surface improvements where needed; subject to an ADA CaSP survey.

3. Public interface improvements as you enter the Bowl along with a Wi-Fi, security camera, and improved lighting.
4. Removing one tree that is threatening Bowl infrastructure and formative pruning on other adjacent trees.
5. Managing public reservations and events at the Bowl.
6. Promoting a more intensive use with additional classroom and overall student engagement from CSU, Chico.
7. The University said it is willing to maintain the Bowl and manage public reservations and events in the future.

The intent is to transform the Bowl into a more inviting place by designing the new building to include outdoor seating and collaborative study spaces that face the Bowl, unlike the existing building which creates a very dark nonvisible corner that attracts nefarious activities.

The City Council presides over all real property related items, which are generally held as Closed Session items. . The City Council reviewed CSU, Chico's request for the easement in Closed Session at its meeting on 10/29/21. The Council approved granting the easement conditioned upon the University making the intended improvements to Bidwell Bowl listed above and taking over the maintenance and management of Bowl to include allowing public reservations and events. Improving the Bowl will not be taking place until later in the process and Staff will bring the final plans and designs to the Commission for review once they are finalized.

Demolition Plan/Impacts:

Since the existing Physical Sciences Building is 3-stories high, the State Fire Marshal has also requested that a safety buffer zone be established on the Children's Playground side during demolition to protect the public from potential falling debris. Attached as Attachment B is a map of the proposed demolition plan with the red line depicting the intended safety zone area. The goal is to protect the turf, wrought iron fence, play structures, and other park elements.

The larger playground area will remain open during demolition and construction, but the smaller metal "monkey bar" play area will have to be closed. Caution and detour signs will be posted for pedestrians and bicyclists that may use the bike path. In addition, if any park elements or landscape areas are affected by the demolition or construction work, the University will restore the elements and areas to their pre-work condition.

Tree removal considerations:

The University is requesting that the following four trees currently on City property be allowed to be removed as part of the demolition and construction project:

1. Water oak 36" DBH, 60' height
2. Water oak 40" DBH, 72' height
3. California sycamore 13" DBH 30' height
4. Chinese elm 33" DBH c 40' height

Two of the trees are located within the new fire lane required by the State Fire Marshall and one is just outside the fire lane. The Chinese Elm is in the easement area on the west side of park near the building. The University is not sure if this tree will need to be removed. If it does, the University intends to replant replacement trees. The trees requested to be removed are highlighted in yellow on the easement plat in Attachment A.

Section 14.40.12 of CMC Chapter 14 "Tree Law of the City of Chico" requires that a permit be obtained for any tree that is removed from any planting area within the City or such removal is required by order of the Park Commission or City Council. CMC 14.40.150 also allows the Public Works Director to impose additional conditions as the Director deems reasonable, which may include replanting trees on site or paying an in-lieu fee.

It should also be noted that the Heritage Sweetgum tree located nearby in Children's Park may potentially be impacted by the installation of the fire lane. It is anticipated that any root disturbance can be minimized with the creation of a Tree Preservation Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: The open space easement is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the general rule provisions of Section 15061(b)(3), finding that there is no substantial evidence that the easement will have any significant effect on the environment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Easement Plat
Attachment B: Demolition Map

ATTACHMENT A - OPEN SPACE EASEMENT PLAT

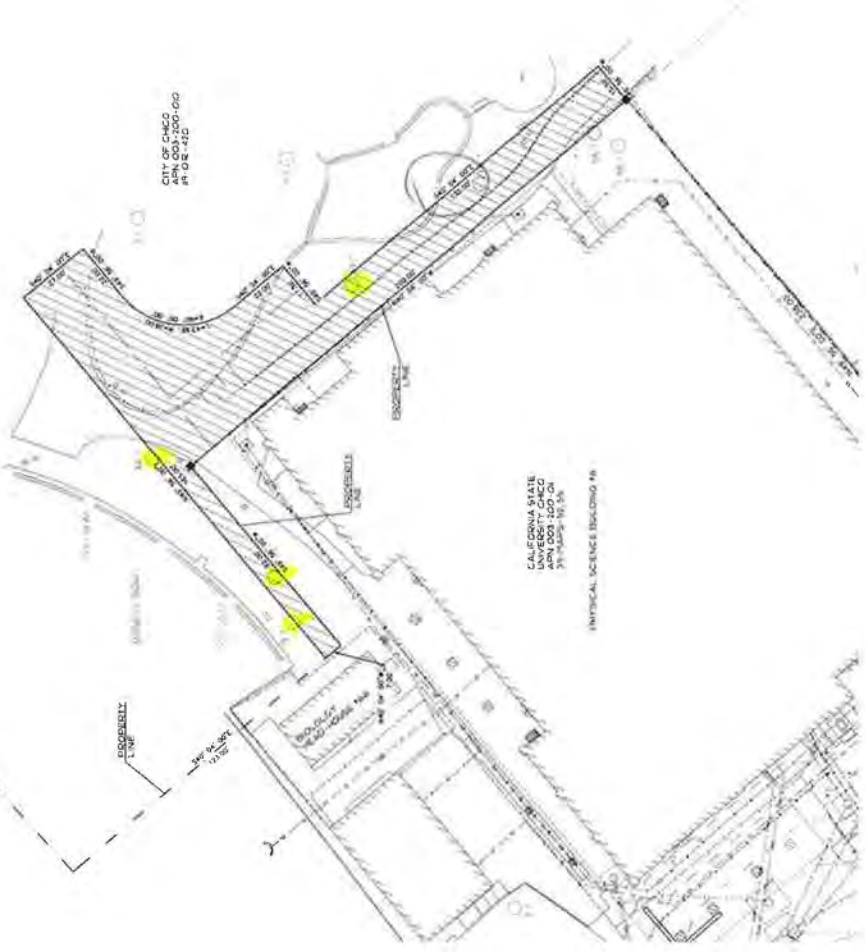
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PLAT OF PROPOSED EASEMENT
 FOR
 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO

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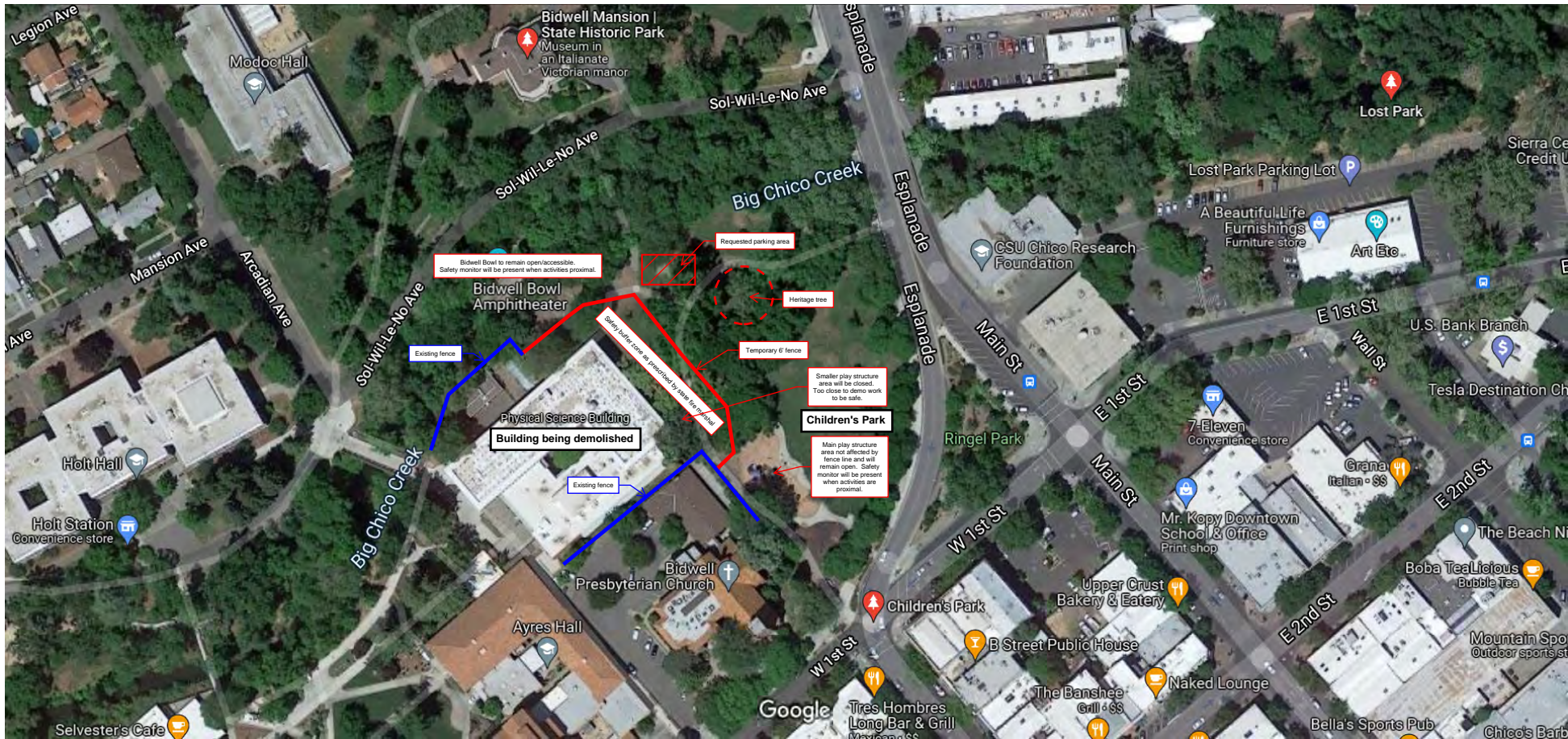


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**City of Chico Children's Park
CSU, Chico Physical Science Building Demolition Influence Plan**
Rev 1/21/22



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ATTACHMENT B - DEMOLITION PLAN



Bidwell Park & Playground Commission Report

Meeting Date 2/28/22

DATE: 2/23/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)
FROM: Linda Herman, Park & Natural Resources Manager (P&NRM)
SUBJECT: UPDATE ON A PROPOSAL TO RESTORE NATIVE FISH PASSAGE ON BIG CHICO CREEK AT THE IRON CANYON FISH LADDER IN UPPER BIDWELL PARK

REPORT IN BRIEF:

The Bidwell Park & Playground Commission will receive an update on renewed interest in restoring the Iron Canyon Fish Ladder in Upper Bidwell Park to allow fish passage, such as spring run Chinook salmon, steelhead, and other native species, to access upstream holding, spawning, and rearing habitats on Big Chico Creek.

Recommendation: The Parks & Natural Resources Manager recommends that the BPPC consider supporting the new proposed Iron Canyon Fish Project and the pursuit of grant funding.

BACKGROUND:

The Iron Canyon Fish ladder, which was constructed in 1958 to enhance Chinook salmon and steelhead migration, is located in Big Chico Creek in Upper Bidwell Park. However, for many years fish passage through the existing ladder has been difficult, if not impossible, due to pool leakage, weir deterioration, and inadequate contact between the weir bases and the underlying creek bed,

With the resulting decline salmon and steelhead migration, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), the City of Chico, Big Chico Watershed Alliance, and other interested parties began working on a plan to improve fish passage on Big Chico Creek. In 2002, the DWR Northern District prepared a Preliminary Engineering Technical Report for the Iron Canyon and Bear Hole Fish Passage Project. The USFWS commissioned a subsequent more detailed analysis entitled "Evaluation of Iron Canyon for Proposed Fish Ladder Structure Repair and Construction in May 2006. This report was presented to the BPPC at its 8/28/06 meeting.

From this effort, the proposed Iron Canyon Fish Ladder project was designed to repair the fish ladder to allow fish passage to approximately nine miles of upstream holding, spawning, and rearing habitat for spring-run Chinook salmon and steelhead trout. The final design for the project, which included demolition, repair, and installation of weirs, installation of steel bypass slots and other construction related measures, was approved by the BPPC 2/26/07. In addition, environmental review was conducted, and several grants were received to fund the construction of the project. The BPPC approved moving forward with the project in 2008. However, due to other higher priority fish enhancement projects, the funding for this project was pulled from the funding agencies. The City's ability to fund the grant match requirements and maintain the project after it was constructed were also a concern and inhibiting factors at that time. .

DISCUSSION:

Steelhead and spring-run Chinook salmon are both listed as Threatened on the Endangered Species Act and action is needed to conserve their populations. In NOAA's Recovery Plan, Chinook Salmon are listed as a high extinction risk in Big Chico Creek. In addition, recently storms or other factors have caused large rocks to fall and/or shift which has completely closed the fish passage at the Iron Canyon Fish Ladder. This has resulted in renewed interest by the USFWS and CDFW who reached out the City, BCCER, the Mechoopda Tribe of Chico Rancheria, and other interested parties, in restoring fish passage on Big Chico Creek. Other members of the working group include representatives from Chico State University, NOAA Fisheries, Western Fishes, and CalTrout. Based on their vast experience and expertise, CalTrout is willing to take the lead agency role and to pursue grant funds for the project.

Using newer technology, the new project intends to restore fish passage by reconfiguring the river channel to mimic a natural channel form that is completely passable at a range of streamflows. Unlike the original Iron Canyon Fish Ladder Project, this approach does not require reconstruction of weirs and ladders, nor ongoing maintenance. A similar fish passage project was led by CalTrout and completed in 2021 in a neighboring drainage, providing a successful model for this project (see <https://caltrout.org/videos/eagle-canyon-battle-creek-fish-passage-project>).

Not only will this project help the threatened anadromous fish but will also help reintroduce other native fish species to Big Chico Creek in Upper Bidwell Park and particularly to the BCCER and other locations upstream. See Attachment A for more information about the proposed project.

CalTrout is pursuing grant funding for this project and recently identified a potential Federal funding opportunity that could provide funding for the design, environmental review, permitting, and construction of the project. If approved for funding, robust public outreach and engagement process will be implemented. Opportunities for additional BPPC and public input will also be available during the environmental review process. The implementation and construction of the project is estimated to take 3-to-4-years. Lastly, the draft and final designs of the project will be brought before the BPPC and City Council for review.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Project Description



Project Name: Iron Canyon Fish Passage Project, Big Chico Creek

Readiness to proceed: Ready for design and implementation. Implementation to be completed in 2026.

What will this project do? Steelhead and spring-run Chinook Salmon migrations in Big Chico Creek are currently blocked at Iron Canyon and fish are unable to access critical upstream holding, spawning and rearing habitats. A fishway was constructed at Iron Canyon in the 1950's providing access for anadromous fish to roughly 7 miles of mainstem habitats. Unfortunately, the fishway is now damaged, unmaintained and is creating a complete barrier to upstream migration. Through this project we will restore access for these anadromous fishes to the entirety of their historical distribution in Big Chico Creek.

The Iron Canyon Fish Passage Project will result in unimpeded fish passage beyond Iron Canyon in Big Chico Creek. Steelhead and spring-run Chinook salmon will be returned to their historical habitats, leading to improved viability for these struggling populations. We plan to restore fish passage by reconfiguring the river channel to mimic a natural channel form that is completely passable at a range of streamflows. A similar fish passage project was led by CalTrout and completed in 2021 in a neighboring drainage, providing a successful model for this project (see <https://caltrout.org/videos/eagle-canyon-battle-creek-fish-passage-project>). Unlike the original Iron Canyon Fishway, this approach does not require maintenance and is robust to sediment transport and high flow events.

Why is this project important? Steelhead and spring-run Chinook salmon are both listed as Threatened on the Endangered Species Act and action is needed to conserve their populations. In NOAA's Recovery Plan, Chinook Salmon are listed as a high extinction risk in Big Chico Creek. Further restoring passage at Iron Canyon is listed as one of the top high priority actions to improve their status in the drainage (NOAA Level 1 project rank). This project will also bring clear and measurable benefits to steelhead by expanding their habitat and providing additional population resilience to a range of water year types, temperature regimes and future conditions expected under climate change.

The benefit of this project includes cultural, social and educational aspects. Iron Canyon is in Upper Bidwell Park, a popular destination to enjoy the natural environment near the City of Chico. The habitat benefits of this project extend from Bidwell Park onto the Big Chico Ecological Preserve a Chico State University facility. The Big Chico Ecological Preserve was originally established, in part, to protect steelhead and spring-run Chinook salmon. The preserve protects critical habitat and provides natural areas for environmental research and education including nearly 8,000 acres surrounding Big Chico Creek. Bidwell Park and Big Chico Ecological Preserve protect the creek from urban development. The project area is completely within the historical territory of the Mechoopda Tribe with hunting blinds and other cultural sites lining this section of the creek. The City of Chico, Big Chico Creek Ecological Preserve, and the Mechoopda Tribe are all supporters and primary partners in this passage project

What benefits will the project provide? A primary benefit will be the return of steelhead and spring-run Chinook salmon to a substantial part of their historical range within Big Chico Creek. By resolving this barrier we expect 4.5 miles of additional anadromous habitat. These habitats include deep pools that are thermally stratified in the summer months and provide critical cold-water refuge. These cold-water habitats are critical for the survival of spring-run that migrate into rivers during spring months and hold through the summertime before spawning in the fall.



Cold-water summer-time habitats in Big Chico Creek during the drought of 2021. This section of creek is along the Big Chico Creek Ecological Preserve and would become accessible to anadromous fish after this project is completed.



Stakeholders gather creek-side to discuss the importance of this project in Fall of 2021. Partners in this project include the City of Chico, Big Chico Ecological Reserve, Mechoopda Tribe, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, US Fish and Wildlife Service and more.

PROPOSED 2022 BIDWELL PARK & PLAYGROUND COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE – LAST MONDAY AT 6:00 PM

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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 Suggested Alternate Dates due to Memorial Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays



DATE: 2/22/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)
FROM: Linda Herman, Park and Natural Resources Manager
SUBJECT: Parks Division Report

NARRATIVE

1. Updates

- a. CalFire Fuels Reduction Grant Application – The Park & Natural Resources Manager is cooperating with the Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve (BCCER) and the Butte County Resource Conservation District (BCRCD) in submitting an application for a CalFire Fire Prevention grant application to include prescribed burning in the Bidwell Park burn units identified in the Upper Bidwell Park Plan Burn Plan and vegetation thinning in the Bulldozer Lines and 10-Mile House Road areas on the south side of Upper Bidwell Park as identified in the City's Vegetative Fuels Management Plan (VFMP).
- b. Verbena Fields Cultural Burn – Cultural and prescribed burns in Verbena Fields located at 1st and Verbena Avenues were identified as an implementation project in the City's Vegetative Fuels Management Plan. Under the direction of Ali-Meders Knight members of the Mechoopda Tribe of Chico Ranchero Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) team have been doing a lot of work to restore the native vegetation in Verbena Fields. To further help control invasive plants and to promote native grass growth, the group will be conducting a low-complexity "microburn". They will be burning several patches of deergrass, leaf litter and brush piles in small areas (800 sq ft0 at a time. (please see attached Burn Plan and Map). In addition to the Mechoopda TEK firefighters, members of the BCCER fire team will be assisting and will have their small fire engine present just in case. The group plans to burn on Friday March 4, 2022, depending on the weather and if there are optimum fire conditions.
- c. Lindo Channel Defensible Space FEMA Grant- Representatives from FEMA, their consultant and a member of the Mechoopda Tribe conducted a Cultural Survey of the Lindo Channel grant project area, which is from Manzanita Ave to Hwy 99. This was one of the last steps to complete the Federal NEPA environmental review process, which is hopefully an indication they will be approving the final grant funding soon.

2. Maintenance Program

- a. Routine Maintenance: Clean Bathrooms as needed, blow leaves off bike paths, remove graffiti, replaced split rail as needed, open gates as needed
- b. Lower Park: One-Mile Reservation Area: removed and replaced two concrete slabs and ordered 13 replacement tables that were crushed in the October storm. Repaired door in women's bathroom on north side One Mile. Caper acres: Filled large pothole in the parking lot, installed 14 dedication bricks inside the entrance, repaired the crusher dust foot path in two spots inside the playground.
- c. Middle Park: Repaired damaged trash cans, cleaned picnic sites, cleared leaves off bike paths, blew off picnic sites and parking areas, cleaned silt and sand off horse/pedestrian underpass at Manzanita Ave. Cleared numerous trees/limbs off foot path along Big Chico Creek. Removed down branches blocking Peterson Dr.
- d. Upper Park: Rebuilt ADA path at Lot E with 8 tons of crusher rock, replaced an excessive amount of split rail fencing at Lot E damaged by vehicles, reset a trail marker on Middle Trail, cleared trees off Guardian and Annie Bidwell Trails. Fabricated and installed a new sign at Lot F, replaced missing locks on Upper Park Road Diversion Dam Gate.
- e. Greenways: Rebuilt fence on two greenway areas on Humboldt Road to keep vehicles out.

- f. Upcoming projects: Repair the top entrance of the large slide on the Birdcage structure in Caper Acres. Install new crusher dust surface and new tables at the One Mile Reservation Area that were damaged in the storm in October 2021. Inspect and repair irrigation systems throughout Bidwell Park. Install new ladders in Sycamore Pool. Finish installing new metal Upper Park swimming hole signs donated by Explore Butte County. Repair damaged or downed wire fencing around the various locations around the perimeter of Lower Bidwell Park.

3. Ranger and Lifeguard Programs

- a. Ranger Program – Non-Sworn Ranger Brett Gladson has completed his training and is now working Thursday through Sunday from 6:30 to 4:30 p.m. Senior Sworn Ranger Dylan Bradford continues to work closely with the Police Department Target Team Monday through Thursday from 6:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sworn Ranger recruit Joel Holmes continued his police academy training, which will conclude in June 2022. Recruitment for a 3rd Sworn Ranger recruit is in process.

4. Volunteer and Donor Program

- a. Chico Youth Rugby – Over 25 parent and youth volunteers from Chico Youth Rugby removed approximately 60 cubic yards of non-native, invasive vegetation from the South 1 Mile Area north of Sycamore Field.
- b. Friends of Comanche Creek Greenway (FOCCG) – FOCCG continue to contribute an impressive amount of volunteer cleanup work on the south side of Comanche Creek despite the unhoused encampments in the area. The FOCCG clean ups remove on average 20 cubic yards of discarded debris each week.
- c. Chico Velo - Trailworks – Trailworks volunteers have been working closely with the Parks Division to perform much needed repairs on several trails on the north and south side of Upper Bidwell Park. As conditions and weather allows, volunteer work sessions for the season will continue through the Spring 2022.
- d. PALS Flash Hike – PALS hosted a flash history hike in Upper Park that was led by Dave Nopel. Sixteen PALS volunteers and friends attended the hike. There was so much interest, the hike lasted four hours.
- e. 2nd Annual Chico Spring Clean – Planning for the second Chico Spring Clean event approved by the City Council this year is underway. The event will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 9 am to noon. Details on how to participate will be coming soon.
- f. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities –To learn out about upcoming volunteer events please [CLICK HERE](#) or visit <https://www.chico.ca.us/post/volunteer-calendar>
- g. Donations – Donations that were received by the Parks Division included the continued monthly \$250 donation from Peter Washington in December and \$100 in Caper Acres brick donations. A \$500.00 donation was received from Arlynn Hazel in January.

MONTHLY SUMMARY TABLES

Table 1. Monthly Volunteer Hours

Parks, Trees and Greenways -PALS- (Partners, Ambassadors, Leaders & Stewards) Volunteer Activities, Dec. 21 and Jan. 22

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
12/3/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
12/3/2021	Lower Park	CAVE	12	3	36	Veg. Mgmt.	Kevin Seeger
12/4/2021	Lower Park	PALS Ivy League	7	3	21	Veg. Mgmt.	Linda Calbreath
12/4/2021	B and Middle trails	Velo Trailworks	15	3	45	Trail Maint.	Steven Clipperton
12/10/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	3	9	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
12/10/2021	Sycamore Creek	PALS	2	3	6	General Cleanup	Shane Romain
12/11/2021	Upper Trail	Velo Trailworks	8	3	24	Trail Maint.	Mike Matiasek
12/17/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
12/20/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	5.5	16.5	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
12/27/2021	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	4	12	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/3/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	3	12	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/5/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	2	2.5	5	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/7/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	3	9	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/7/2022	Verbena Fields	TEK	9	3	24	Veg. Mgmt.	Cathryn Carkhuff
1/8/2021	Lower Park	Chico Rugby	27	3	81	Veg. Mgmt.	Shane Romain
1/10/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/14/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4.5	18	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/14/2022	Verbena Fields	TEK	12	3	36	Veg. Mgmt.	Cathryn Carkhuff
1/15/2022	Lower Park	PALS Ivy League	7	3	21	Veg. Mgmt.	Linda Calbreath
1/16/2022	Upper Trail	Velo Trailworks	14	3	42	Trail Maint.	Mike Matiasek
1/17/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	4	12	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/21/2022	Verbena Fields	TEK	17	3	51	Veg. Mgmt.	Cathryn Carkhuff
1/21/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/23/2022	B Trail	Velo Trailworks	17	3	51	Trail Maint.	Steven Clipperton
1/21/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	3	4	12	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
1/27/2022	Guardian Trail	Velo Trailworks	2	5	10	Trail Maint.	Thad Walker
1/28/2022	Verbena Fields	TEK	11	3	33	Veg. Mgmt.	Cathryn Carkhuff
1/21/2022	Comanche Creek	FOCCG	4	4	16	General Cleanup	Liz Stewart
				TOTAL HRS.	2592.5		

Table 2. Monthly Parks and Greenways Cleanups

Encampment Debris Cleanups, Dec 21 and Jan 22								
Date	Location	Coop. Org.	# of Staff	# Workers/ Vols.	Total People	Hours Worked	People Xs Hours Total	Total Debris (cubic yards)
12/1/2021	N LP E of 99	AFWD	2	2	4	4	6	5
12/1/2021	Card Center	AFWD	2	2	4	0.5	2	2
12/1/2021	Site 2	AFWD	2	2	4	0.5	2	1
12/1/2021	Lindo at 99		2		2	1	2	2
12/1/2021	Windchime		2		2	1.5	3	4
12/2/2021	Manzanita Ct		3		3	1.5	4.5	4
12/8/2021	Rio Lindo BP		2		2	2	4	5
12/8/2021	W Lindo		2		2	0.5	2	2
12/9/2021	Windchime		2		2	0.5	2	1
12/9/2021	E 10th Bartlett		2		2	2.5	5	3
12/9/2021	Lindo at Holly		2		2	1	2	2
12/10/2021	Sycamore Channel		2		2	4.5	9	10
12/16/2021	Sycamore Channel		2		2	3.5	7	8
12/17/2021	Lindo at Longfellow		2		2	2.5	5	4
12/21/2021	Lost Park		4		4	7	28	10
12/23/2021	Lindo at North		2		2	3.5	7	10
1/6/2022	East of AG tunnel		2		2	1.5	3	3
1/26/2022	Pine and Cypress		2		2	1	2	4
1/26/2022	Council Chambers		3		3	0.5	1.5	3
							TOTAL HRS	TOTAL DEBRIS YARDS
							97	83

Table 3. Monthly Public Permits

Monthly Public Permits - December				
Date	Location	Organization	Event	Participant #
12/05/21	City Plaza	Chabad Jewish	Annual Menorah Lighting	50
12/11/21	One Mile	Salvation Army	Santa Shuffle 5K	500
Totals				550
Monthly Public Permits - 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
Totals				250

PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: PALS Upper Park Hike



Figure 2: PALS Ivy League Continued Dedication



Figure 3: CCC trail repair with Chico Velo



Figure 4: Chico Velo Trailworks Volunteers



Figure 5: Chico Youth Rugby Volunteers



Figure 6: 1- Mile Picnic Area cement pad install

Prescribed Fire Plan for Verbena Fields Cultural Burning

Date: 12/13/21 revised: 12/20/21

Author of Plan: Mechoopda TEK with assistance from Butte PBA members

Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ): City of Chico/Mechoopda Tribe of Chico Rancheria.

Location Description: Park on floodplain consisting of grass meadows, oak woodlands, and riparian corridor in restoration process.

Latitude: 39.753 Longitude: -121.818

Unit Size: Parcel is 13.38 acres, burns will occur on areas of 800 square feet at a time.

Fuel Type: Grass and Timber Litter



Paths and deer trails help create unit boundaries.

Goals and Objectives: Low-complexity 'microburns' to manage cultural resources and control invasive plants. Winter burning of selective patches of Deergass and leaf litter.

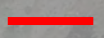
Pre-burn Considerations: Fuels have been treated with goat grazing. Oak trees have been thinned and limbed with little to no ladder fuels. Slash has been piled away from trees. Water is available on site and bladder pumps can be used for fire suppression and wet-lining to prevent fire spread. Verbena Fields is accessible from East First Avenue and the interior is accessible by ATV/golf cart on paved path. Additionally, all units can be accessed by foot.

Plan to Protect Values at Risk: Little risk posed by low complexity prescribed fire and cultural burning. Mechoopda TEK crew members with NWCG FFT2 qualifications should be on site during prescribed burns. Tribal members with training as Cultural Monitors should be present. At least two Mechoopda TEK qualified firefighters with experience in cultural burning should be present during firing, holding, and mop-up. "Unqualified" individuals may be utilized for firing under supervision. Objectives of low-complexity 'microburns' or pile burning to manage cultural resources and control invasive plants can be achieved with available local resources. Firefighters and Cultural Monitors can protect community and cultural property and values. Minimize ground disturbance and use of fossil fuels such as diesel/gasoline mix drip torches. Care will be taken to avoid burning infrastructure such as irrigation lines. Some mop-up may be required, with adequate methods such as backpack pumps and hand tools. Hoses or buckets of water may be utilized for mopping up pile burns but shouldn't be necessary for low complexity cultural burning.

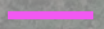
Burn Prescription: Describes the desired weather conditions for burning. **For low-complexity micro-burns not taking place in the declared fire season, we will burn only areas with natural or man-made fuel breaks, not to exceed 800 square feet at a time. We will consider not burning if the temperature is over 70 degrees or wind gusts are over 10 miles per hour. These parameters can be adjusted through adaptive management.** Any areas which will be burned in the declared fire season should have a prescription developed by an experienced burner that includes a range of acceptable 1 and 10 hour fuel moisture levels, relative humidities, temperatures, and probabilities of ignition. As a general rule, the probability of ignition should not exceed 70% without written justification (and mitigations) by an experienced person.

Smoke Management Plan for All Burns: Unless an exemption (e.g. for very small cultural burn demonstrations) is negotiated at least a week in advance with BCAQMD, all prescribed burns on Chico parklands will have a Smoke Management Plan (SMP) developed for them and approved by BCAQMD before implementation. As part of burn planning, park managers and/or burn implementers will coordinate prescribed burns with BCAQMD staff in order to choose the optimal conditions with which to burn in order to generate minimal smoke impacts to the community. (note: smoke may have fumigation benefits and cultural significance based on Traditional Ecological Knowledge.)

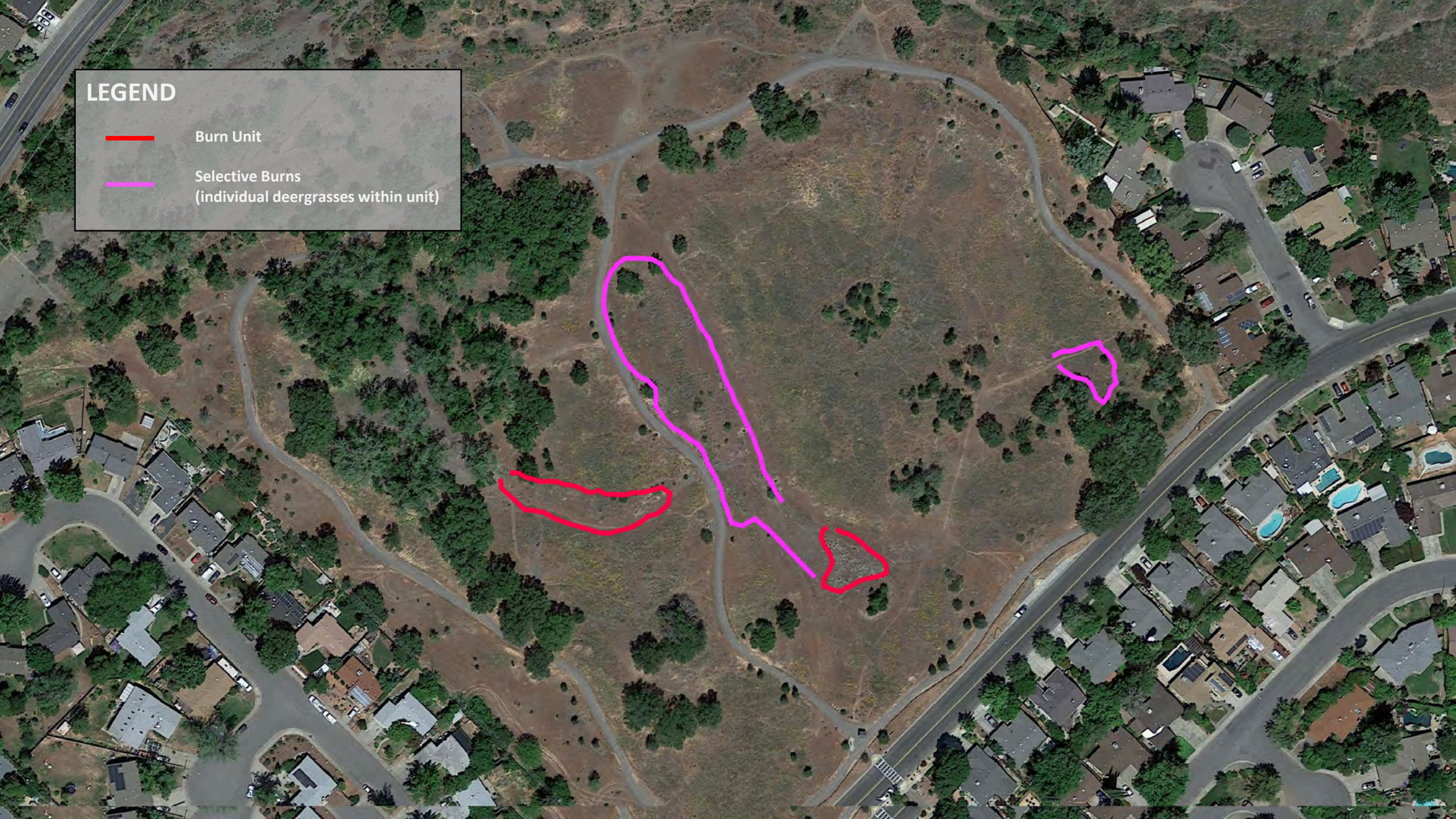
LEGEND



Burn Unit



Selective Burns
(individual deergrasses within unit)





DATE: 02/28/22
TO: Bidwell Park and Playground Commission (BPPC)
FROM: Richie Bamlet, Urban Forest Manager
SUBJECT: Tree Division Report

NARRATIVE

1. Updates

- a. Tree City USA – The Arbor Day Foundation recognized City of Chico as a Tree City USA for the 38th year in a row. The Growth Award was also awarded for the 5th consecutive year.
- b. Intern - CSU Student Macguire Buss started a seasonal position as an Urban Forest Coordinator. Macguire will be based at the office of the non-profit partner The Butte Environmental Council.
- c. Service requests - In December/January 74 calls for tree service were received. In 2021 the total number of tree calls was 1211. Over 1000 have been closed out.
- d. Recruitment – Tree Division took part in interviewing candidates for hourly Maintenance Aide positions. An offer has been made to a candidate for the tree watering position.

2. Planning/Monitoring

- a. Damage Reports - Five damage reports were sent to Risk management in December and January. Claims related to damage to property resulting from falling limbs and trees.

3. Planning and Building Development

- a. UFM reviewed many landscape development plans submitted to the City. Landscape comments included species choices in new landscape, Tree Preservation plans of trees to remain, unauthorized tree removals, landscape installation techniques and species choices.
- b. Public Works has been working with a developer on Tree Preservation measures to protect a large Valley oak tree at a development site on Forest/Humboldt. The developer had received permission from the City to remove the tree but subsequently decided to attempt to preserve the tree. The City agreed to accept payment of a bond that is equivalent to the mitigation fee that would have been payable if the tree had been removed. The bond will be returned if the tree is still viable after 5 years.

4. Miscellaneous

- a. Urban Forest Revitalization Program – CalFire approved a 1-year extension to the current grant program. The new completion date is now March 2023. This will allow more time to complete the Urban Forest Master Plan.
- b. Public Works continues to accept citizen requests for new shade trees ahead of the next community tree planting event April 9, 2022. Residents wishing to receive a new shade tree should contact Butte Environmental Council email: urbanforest@becnet.org or call (530) 891 6424
- c. From Seed to Shade- Chico's Next Generation Urban Forest: - City of Chico was awarded a grant to plant 1000 trees. The grant award was \$604,681. Funds will be used to pay for a full-time 3-year term Maintenance Worker that will focus on tree watering and maintenance of new trees. Capital items such as a dedicated vehicle and water trailer as well as tree stock and supplies will also be funded. This is an exciting new project that will provide 500 shade trees in the public right-of way and 500 residential trees including 300 backyard fruit trees. Several partnerships are being developed including Enloe Medical Foundation as well as various non-profit and contractual partners.

5. Maintenance

- a. Storm Cleanup – Tree Division staff and contractors continued cleanup of storm damaged trees over the winter months. Trees and fallen limbs were removed at various locations including 5-mile diversion dam, Bidwell park on South Park Drive. See photos below,
- b. Airport Landscape Maintenance - In December at the request of FAA, Tree Division assisted airport staff to clear tree growth that was impacting runway infrastructure.
- c. Bike path project - Tree Division assisted Public Works Engineering with landscape work on the airport bike path at Burnap ave. The work enabled Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) to function correctly for traffic safety.
- d. Chico Nature Center – At the request of CARD staff, several trees were pruned around the buildings. See Figure 2

6. Outreach, Training and Education

- a. ISA International Virtual Conference – UFM co-presented an Urban Forestry session to over 1000 attendees. The subject was titled “Inclusive Community Engagement in Urban Forestry: Beyond the Online Survey”
- b. Plant Appraisal Workshop – UFM attended a workshop that covered updated techniques to derive a value for landscape elements. This is useful for determining valuations when landscape is damaged or destroyed and fines and penalties are payable per CMC 16.66
- c. Pruning Workshop – Staff attended a refresher workshop on pruning techniques.
- d. Compost BMP – UFM attended a two-day online workshop hosted by CalRecycle and Caltrans on compost use in the landscape.
- e. Pesticide Training – Tree Division staff attended annual pesticide training, hosted by Public Works Landscape Inspector
- f. Tree Donation - Public Works donated two specimen Heritage oak trees that were planted in-front of the newly refurbished Bethel church on Linden/E 9th St.

MONTHLY SUMMARY TABLES

Table 1 December Staff hours






Category	Staff Hours	% of Total	% Change from Last Month	Trend
Tree Crew Hours				
1. Safety	95	13.0%	128.4%	
2. Tree Work	453	61.8%	161.2%	
3. Special Projects	93	12.7%	36.3%	
4. Admin Time/Other	92	12.6%	184.0%	
Monthly Totals	733	100.0%	110.9%	

Table 2 January Staff hours






Category	Staff Hours	% of Total	% Change from Last Month	Trend
Tree Crew Hours				
1. Safety	125.5	18.7%	#N/A	
2. Tree Work	386	57.6%	#N/A	
3. Special Projects	117.5	17.5%	#N/A	
4. Admin Time/Other	41	6.1%	#N/A	
Monthly Totals	670	100.0%	#N/A	

Table 3 December Staff productivity

Item	Values	% Change from Last Month	Trend
5. Productivity			
Calls			
Call Outs	87	110.1%0..
Service Requests: Submitted	0	-	
Service Requests: Completed	55	53.9%0..
Sub Total	0	-	
Trees			
Planted: Trees	0	-	..
Pruned	56	51.4%0..
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	-	
Removed: Stumps	0	-	
Removed: Trees	9	225.0%0..
Sub Total	65	57.5%0..

Table 4 January Staff Productivity

Item	Values	% Change from Last Month	Trend
5. Productivity			
Calls			
Call Outs	78	#N/A	0
Service Requests: Submitted	0	#N/A	
Service Requests: Completed	47	#N/A	0
Sub Total	0	#N/A	
Trees			
Planted: Trees	0	#N/A	
Pruned	131	#N/A	0
Removed: Trees (smaller)	0	#N/A	
Removed: Stumps	0	#N/A	
Removed: Trees	23	#N/A	0
Sub Total	154	#N/A	0

7. Upcoming Items:

- a. State Champion - The Sweetgum at Children's playground scores 293 points. The previous Champion tree in the grounds of the Capitol Building in Sacramento scored 289 points. Once verified, Chico will be host to the largest Sweetgum tree in California.
- b. A program of landscape rehabilitation work is being scheduled for the central median on Cal Park Drive. Work will include removal of dead and dying trees as well as new irrigation, trees, and plants. Tree removal work is anticipated to start shortly.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1 Cedar trees in the Chico Nature Center facility were pruned to reduce weight of branches growing over the building



Figure 2 Public Works Staff on emergency call out with PD assistance.



Figure 3 Emergency contractor work on South Park Drive after October storm



Figure 4 Tree preservation of 50" dbh Valley oak tree on development site. Forest/Humboldt

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Hi Linda:

I would like to place the following on the Agenda:

I would like the Commission to discuss allowing the downtown city plaza stage to be free for people who would like to play **acoustic** music. Permit would be free, they can sign a liability waiver, etc. Of course, if City Plaza reserved, this would not be available.

This would accomplish two (2) goals that I can think of right now. One, it would create a nice activity for downtown where artists can set up and play. (tip jars allowed) and two, it would be an alternative to groups/individuals that set up in the Bidwell Park area and break the noise ordinances and disturb others peace.

This happens frequently in the Park A recent example is Sunday, February 20, when an instructor had a drum class in the middle of Sycamore Field that could be heard all the way to the One Mile Swimming Area, let alone the residences south of the field.

Please confirm receipt.

Thank you,

Jeff

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Hi Linda:

If no one else is requesting any additional agenda items, I would like to request allowing a "mobile coffee shop" to set up at the Sycamore Pool area in the mornings. Discussion would involve whether a fee is charged, a few tables would need to be supplied as part of deal, giving up a couple parking spaces for this, etc.

Something like the attached. Attractive, cute, a value-ad for the Park.

Please confirm receipt.

Thank you,

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