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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

CITY OF CHICO'S IMPLEMENTS COMMUNITY CLEAN TEAM

(Chico, CA – March 15, 2021–) In February, the City of Chico implemented the new Community Clean Team. Recommended by City Manager Mark Orme and approved by the Chico City Council, the Clean Team consists of two maintenance workers who are led by a senior maintenance worker. The team is dedicated to cleaning trash and debris from the Chico City limits.

The Community Clean Team assists with volunteer event support, graffiti removal, shopping cart retrieval, infrastructure repair, landscape efforts, vegetation management, and strengthens the overall efforts to keep the City of Chico clean.

“I’m truly amazed by the Clean Team’s effectiveness and the impact they’ve already made towards keeping Chico clean and beautiful,” said Erik Gustafson, Public Works Department – Parks and Operations & Maintenance Division Director.

The City of Chico’s Public Works Department has cleaned up an impressive amount of debris from City parks and waterways in the past six weeks. February totals were 213 cubic yards and March’s totals may top that, as they are currently at 170.5 cubic yards. The tonnage taken directly to the landfill for February and March currently totals 56 tons. The Community Clean Team itself collected 80 cubic yards – or over 16,000 gallons – of debris the City’s parks and greenways in one five-day stretch alone.

The public may report needed debris removal in any park, greenway, or City right-of-way to Rightofwaymaintenance@Chicoca.gov or call (530) 894-4200.

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