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

TEMPORARY ROAD AND TRAIL CLOSURES IN LOWER BIDWELL PARK

(Chico, CA – September 17, 2021 –) The State Route 99 Fiber Optic Project will begin on Tuesday, September 17, 2021, and construction may temporarily affect Lower Bidwell Park trails and roadways.

This CalTrans Highway project will consist of fiber optic cable system installation and new traffic management systems for State Route 99 from Southgate Avenue to Garner Lane. The new fiber optic lines will primarily be installed underground except in some locations, such as the Bidwell Park Viaduct structure, where conduit will be strapped to the side of the bridge.

In the interest of park visitor safety, all or portions of South Park Drive, Petersen Drive and related trails may be closed or detoured to avoid the project work area. Fiber Optic Project work in Bidwell Park is expected to last approximately 2 weeks.

Park visitors are requested to comply with all traffic controls, detours and project signage.

For media inquiries related to these closures, please contact Linda Herman, Parks and Natural Resources Manager, at (530) 896-7800; or Lynda Gizzi, Public Works Department Public Information Officer, at (530) 879-6908.

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