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

VEGETATION MAINTENANCE IN BIDWELL PARK PETERSEN AND SOUTH PARK DRIVES

(Chico, CA – January 15, 2021 –) Over the next two weeks, the City of Chico Public Works Department - Parks Division, together with California Conservation Corps crews will be performing safety pruning, trimming and elevating of vegetation along Petersen and South Park Drives in lower Bidwell Park. This work will allow better sight lines and safer paths of travel for pedestrians, bikers, and vehicles.

Work within the park will start on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 and will occur between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily, starting at the Petersen Drive entrance and continuing westward to the One Mile Recreation Area. After completion of Petersen Drive, work will continue along South Park Drive, particularly in the nonvehicle section between Caper Acres and Cedar Grove.

As this will involve heavy equipment, chippers, and vehicles, the entrance gate and Petersen Drive will remain closed to public vehicles during the course of this work. Sections of these roads may also be temporarily closed to pedestrians and bikers at times for safety reasons. Weather conditions may impact the pace and timing of the work and the Parks Division appreciates the public's patience during this maintenance work.

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