

# Neighborhood Update

## *Guynn Avenue Bridge Replacement Project*

### **Introduction**

The City of Chico has obtained funding to replace the structurally deficient and functionally obsolete Guynn Avenue Bridge over Little Chico Creek. The project is 100 percent federally funded through the Highway Bridge Program and Toll Credits. The federal funds are being administered through the Caltrans Local Assistance Program.

### **Where is the project located?**

The bridge is located between East Avenue and West Lindo Avenue, near the western edge of the City limits.

### **What is the project?**

The existing bridge is an 86-foot long, single-span, steel Warren pony truss bridge. The bridge is structurally deficient and functionally obsolete for the following reasons:

- The bridge has significantly reduced load carrying capacity and can no longer bear the weight as originally intended.
- There is paint loss/cracking and rust on multiple steel members, including the main trusses of the bridge.
- The northwest wingwall has cracked and is beginning to fail.
- The bridge width does not meet current safety standards for cars and first responder vehicles.

To address these concerns, the City is planning to replace the existing structure with a new bridge just downstream. The existing steel truss bridge will remain in place and will be available for pedestrian use. The new structure will accommodate two lanes of traffic, bike lanes, and a sidewalk. The project improvements will extend approximately 200 feet north along Guynn Avenue and 100 feet both east and west along West Lindo Avenue. To facilitate construction, the bridge and a portion of Guynn Avenue, near the structure, will be temporarily closed to traffic. Traffic operating along West Lindo Avenue will be temporarily restricted to one-lane operating under stop control. The City will be working closely with the area residents to maintain access to their properties during construction.

### **Additional Information**

For additional information regarding this project, please visit the Project's webpage located at: <https://chico.ca.us/post/guynn-avenue-bridge-replacement-project>  
If you have questions or would like to provide comments, please email [guynn.bridge@chicoca.gov](mailto:guynn.bridge@chicoca.gov)

