

Town of Paradise Town Council Meeting Agenda 6:00 PM – December 14, 2021

Town of Paradise Council Chamber - 5555 Skyway, Paradise, CA

Mayor, Steve Crowder Vice Mayor, Jody Jones Council Member, Greg Bolin Council Member, Steve "Woody" Culleton Council Member, Rose Tryon Town Manager, Kevin Phillips
Town Attorney, Scott E. Huber
Town Clerk, Dina Volenski
CDD, Planning & Onsite, Susan Hartman
CDD, Building & Code Enforcement, Tony Lindsey
Finance Director/Town Treasurer – Ross Gilb
Public Works Director/Town Engineer, Marc Mattox
Division Chief, CAL FIRE/Paradise Fire, Garrett Sjolund
Chief of Police, Eric Reinbold
Recovery & Economic Development Director, Colette Curtis
Human Resources & Risk Management Director, Crystal Peters

Meeting Procedures

- The Mayor is the Presiding Chair and is responsible for maintaining an orderly meeting. The Mayor calls the meeting to order and introduces each item on the agenda.
- II. The Town staff then provides a report to Council and answers questions from the Council.
- III. Citizens are encouraged to participate in the meeting process and are provided several opportunities to address Council. Any speaker addressing the Council is limited to three minutes per speaker fifteen minutes per agenda item
 - A. If you wish to address the Council regarding a specific agenda item, please complete a "Request to Address Council" card and give it to the Town Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. This process is voluntary and allows for citizens to be called to the speaker podium in alphabetical order. Comments and questions from the public must be directed to the Presiding Chair and Town Council Members (please do not address staff.) Town staff is available to address citizen concerns Monday through Thursday at Town Hall between the hours of 8am and 5pm.
 - B. If you wish to address Council regarding an item not on the agenda, you may do so under Item 4, "Public Communication." Again, please fill out a card and give it to the Town Clerk before the meeting. State Law prohibits Council action on items not listed on a public agenda.

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1. OPENING

- 1a. Call to Order
- 1b. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
- 1c. Invocation
- 1d. Roll Call
- 1e. Presentation The Year in Review by Mayor Crowder
- 1f. p5 Town Clerk will chair the selection of Mayor for a one-year term beginning December 14, 2021 through December 13, 2022. The Clerk will turn the meeting over to the newly selected Mayor for selection of Vice-Mayor for a one-year term.
- 1g. The Mayor will chair the selection for Vice Mayor for a one-year term commencing December 14, 2021 and ending the first regular meeting in December 2022.
- <u>1h.</u> p7 Camp Fire Recovery Updates Written reports are included in the agenda packet:

Colette Curtis, Recovery and Economic Development Director - Recovery projects, Advocacy, Economic Recovery and Development, Communications and Emergency Operations.

Marc Mattox, Public Works Director/Town Engineer - Infrastructure and Sewer Update

Tony Lindsey, CDD-Building and Code Enforcement - Code Enforcement Update

1i. Presentation - Paradise Sewer Project update by Town Engineer Marc Mattox

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

One roll call vote is taken for all items. Consent items are considered to be routine business that does not call for discussion.

- <u>2a.</u> p40 Approve minutes from the November 9, 2021 Special and Regular Town Council meetings.
- <u>2b.</u> p47 Approve November 2021 Cash Disbursements in the amount of \$2,289,881.15.
- 2c. p54 Waive second reading of the entire Town Ordinance No. 614 and approve reading by title only; and, Adopt Town Ordinance No. 614, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.58.060 section E to the Paradise Municipal Code Relating to Defensible Space and Hazardous Fuel Management".
- 2d. p61 Concur with staff recommendation to file CEQA Notices of Exemption for four disaster recovery projects: 1. Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program; and, 2. Early Warning System; and, 3 Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project; and, 4. Category 4 Tree Removal.
- 2e. p87 Concur with staff recommendation to file CEQA Notice of Exemption for the Butte Fire Safe Council Fuel Reduction Grazing Project.

- 2f. p94 1. Concur with the recommended approvals provided by Exceptions Committee Members Culleton & Jones; and, 2. Authorize staff to accept and process Temporary Use Permit applications from the applicants.
- 2g. p110 Adopt Resolution No. 21-52, A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise authorizing agents to execute an application with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for obtaining certain federal financial assistance.
- 2h. p112 Authorize the Town Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement for professional services with Management Partners originally dated January 19, 2021 to extend the terms of the agreement from August 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022.
- 2i. p115 1. Declare the attached described equipment as surplus property; and, 2. Adopt Resolution No. 21-53, declaring certain Town Equipment to be surplus and obsolete and authorizing disposal through sale or donation by the Town Manager or his designee.

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

For matters that are not on the Council business agenda, speakers are allowed three (3) minutes to address the Council. The Town Council is prohibited from taking action on matters that are not listed on the public agenda. The Council may briefly respond for clarification and may refer the matter to the Town staff.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

6. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Action items are presented by staff and the vote of each Council Member must be announced. A roll call vote is taken for each item on the action calendar. Citizens are allowed three (3) minutes to comment on agenda items.

<u>6a.</u> p119 Appoint Council representatives and alternates to represent the Town of Paradise on various local and regional boards, committees and commissions.

7. COUNCIL INITIATED ITEMS AND REPORTS

- 7a. Council initiated agenda items
 - 1. Discuss a potential requirement to have property surveyed prior to the listing or selling of the property. (TRYON)
- 7b. Council reports on committee representation
- 7c. Future Agenda Items

8. STAFF COMMUNICATION

8a. Town Manager Report

9. CLOSED SESSION - None

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Dina Volenski, Town Clerk
REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Town Council Selection of Mayor and Vice-Mayor for a one-year

term beginning December 14, 2021 through December 13, 2022

Agenda Item: 1(f)

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Town Clerk will chair the selection of Mayor for a one- year term beginning December 14, 2021 through December 13, 2022. The Clerk will turn the meeting over to the newly selected Mayor for selection of Vice-Mayor for a one-year term.

<u>Background</u>: Every year in December the Town Council elects one Council Member to serve as Mayor and one Council Member to serve as Vice-Mayor for a one-year term. Any Council Member may be nominated for the office of Mayor, including the Council Member who served as Mayor during the previous year. Election requires the affirmative votes of at least three (3) members of the Council. (Resolution No. 88-55)

Analysis: The election process for the Mayor and Vice Mayor is as follows:

- 1. The Mayor turns the meeting over to the Town Clerk to act as presiding officer for selection of Mayor for a one-year term.
- 2. The Town Clerk opens the nominations for Mayor. Any Council Member may nominate any other Council Member no motion necessary.
- 3. The Town Clerk asks for a Motion, a second and a Council vote to close the nominations for Mayor.
- 4. Then Town Clerk takes a roll call vote on each Council Member nominated in the order of nomination.
- 5. When one Council Member receives a majority (three) affirmative votes, he/she will be deemed selected as the Mayor for a one-year term and there will be no further vote on any subsequent nominees.
- 6. The Town Clerk turns the meeting over to the new Mayor as the presiding officer.
- 7. Procedures for selection of Vice Mayor will be the same and items 2 5 which will be repeated by the new Mayor as presiding officer.

Conclusion:

The Mayor serves as the presiding officer at Council meetings and is responsible for maintaining order at the meetings; executes certain documents approved by the Town Council, such as contracts, resolutions and ordinances and warrants drawn on the town treasurer; and, represents the Town at various ceremonial events. The Mayor and Vice Mayor also review and approve requests for proclamations.



Town of Paradise

Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 1(h)

ORIGINATED BY: Colette Curtis, Recovery and Economic

Development Director

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Monthly Recovery Update

LONG TERM Yes

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: None

Background:

This report continues the Monthly Updates provided to keep the Town Council apprised of important developments related to the recovery of the Town of Paradise from the Camp Fire. Included in this update are items related to recovery projects, advocacy economic recovery and development, communications and emergency operations.

Analysis:

ECONOMC DEVELOPMENT

Non-residential market study through the Transportation Master Plan

- Town staff continues to work with our consultant EPS on the Non-Residential Market Study. This study will provide a supply-demand analysis as well a development opportunity site map for use in economic development and business recruitment. It will also be a foundation document for a long term economic recovery plan.
- EPS is also working on a development opportunity site map.

Design Standards through the Transportation Master Plan

- Part of the scope of the transportation master plan includes an update of design standards for the downtown and Clark commercial corridor. While we have design standards currently in place, the re-building of many of these areas provides an opportunity to update those standards to meet the vision of our community now, as well as look for resources available to make design standards more affordable to those rebuilding.
- A draft of updated design standards will be presented to Council in the spring.

RECOVERY

Trees

Category 3 Tree Removal

 CalOES/FEMA has completed all work within the town of Paradise. We do continue to work regularly with CalOES on completing unresolved damage claims.

Abatement

- 16 (-3 from Nov. Council Report) property owners enrolled in the private program who have not removed their trees.
- 228 (-28 from Nov. Council Report) property owners not enrolled in any program who have not removed their trees.
- Reducing the number of properties at risk for abatement
 - There are currently 244 properties at risk for abatement. This is down from 1500 in July 2020 and 850 in January of 2021.
 - We have begun the process of moving toward removal of dangerous trees reported by members of the community by potential abatement/summary abatement proceedings.

Long Term Recovery Plan Update

The Town Council approved initiating an update to the LTRP and we are in the planning process to get that process started so we can meet the target completion date.

Category 4 Tree Removal

Phase 1 is approved but the overall project is pending with FEMA for environmental assessment. We are working through the CEQA needs from the Town to move forward and begin working on designing and implementing the program. Phase 1 contains all aspects of designing the program and identifying which specific trees would be removed. We would then submit those trees for approval to removal in Phase 2.

Early Warning System

Construction funding is pending with FEMA for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for construction of the siren towers as outlined in the Design and Scoping Plan completed last year. This is a top-priority project for public safety and the Town is working to push for a decision on funding as soon as possible. We continue to work with FEMA/CalOES on final details of the project. Elsewhere in this council agenda we have submitted our request to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption for this project. This will fulfill our CEQA requirements for moving forward with the project.

Hazardous Fuels Reduction Program

Pending with FEMA for Hazard Mitigation Grant funding. We have been updated by CalOES/FEMA that this project has been linked to the following two projects (Defensible Space Code Enforcement and Residential Ignition Resistant Improvements) and we are working with Environmental Assessment requirements to move forward. In October we began working with the Butte Fire Safe Council to include this project in the initial study occurring within the Town of Paradise for their Hazardous Fuels Reduction Program.

<u>Defensible Space Code Enforcement Program</u>

Pending with FEMA for Hazard Mitigation Grant funding. We recently developed our strategy for moving this project forward and are working with CalOES and FEMA on that process at the same time they are working on their environmental assessment. We filed a CEQA Notice of Exemption for this project in November. This will fulfill our CEQA requirements for moving forward with the project.

Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program

This program is being designed by Town Staff and Ernst and Young. It is intended to provide up to 75% reimbursement, to a cap, to property owners who improve and harden their standing structures to make them more resistant to ignition. Elsewhere in this council agenda we have

submitted our request to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption for this project. This will fulfill our CEQA requirements for moving forward with the project.

Reseeding Program

Phase 1 of this project was completed in November with the acceptance of the reseeding plan. Our next step will be to determine how to move forward with the direction for implementation provided by council in November.

Federal Advocacy

Senate Bill 187 Hazard Eligibility and Local Projects Act (HELP Act) – The Town is
providing a letter of support for this bill which would help get federal hazard mitigation
assistance to the agencies that need it in a more timely manner. The bill has already
passed the House of Representatives with support from Congressman LaMalfa.

COMMUNICATIONS

Community Relations Committee (CRC)

- At this month's meeting the CRC heard a presentation on the Town's housing programs.
- A monthly newsletter has been created to be printed and shared at physical locations throughout Town, distributed by the CRC. The information in the newsletter follows the weekly update.

Town Seal Re-Design

- The Town website will update its color scheme to coordinate with the new seal design.
- Vehicle identification stickers are being ordered for fleet vehicles.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- Emergency Operation Plan Update: Constant Associates is now working on the update and we will have more information to report in the coming months. We anticipate a final report this spring.
- Town staff are formulating an EOC Training Exercise calendar to ensure all staff and Council are property trained and ready for an emergency. The calendar also includes a community drill to help our residents prepare for an emergency.
- We now have a fully functional and non-location dependent system for our call center needs when we have a working Emergency Operation Center. This will allow us for additional options and flexibility in any future emergency.

Financial Impact:

None.

TOWN OF PARADISE Council Agenda Summary Date: December 14, 2021

Agenda No. 1(h)

ORIGINATED BY: Marc Mattox, Public Works Director / Town Engineer

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Camp Fire Recovery Updates - Infrastructure

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. None, written monthly update only.

Background:

This report continues the Monthly Disaster Recovery Updates provided to keep the Town Council apprised of important developments related to the recovery of the Town of Paradise from the Camp Fire.

Analysis:

Road Rehabilitation

As previously covered in related Agenda Summaries and Updates, the Town of Paradise has secured funding from both FEMA and Federal Highways Administration for the purposes of road rehabilitation associated with Camp Fire damages from the fire itself, debris removal and tree removal operations. These projects cover all Town of Paradise publicly owned and maintained roadways, and are ready for project certification to start construction efforts in late 2022.

At this time, and for the last six months in earnest, Paradise Irrigation District has not provided requested information relating to required utility relocation/adjustments needed as a part of the project. In absence of the requested documentation, staff is unable to advance the projects through the Right of Way certification phase, enabling further construction-readiness activities to take place.

Paradise Irrigation District is contesting liability for the costs associated and caused by the Town's road rehabilitation projects. Town staff has communicated codes and standards as well as establishing a burden of proof requirement for Paradise Irrigation District to not be liable for utility relocation costs.

Transportation Master Plan

Preparation of the Transportation Master Plan (TMP) is well underway. The TMP will evaluate daily and evacuation transportation needs, policy documents, construction standards, and opportunities to support economic development. The Transportation Master Plan will provide a prioritized list of improvements for near-term and long-term construction. All TMP related information can be found here: https://www.townofparadise.com/pwe/page/transportation-recovery-efforts

A series of four workshops has been announced for public input and participation in the development of the TMP, listed below:

- Thursday, June 3, 2021: Infrastructure Recovery Update (Completed)
 - Watch recorded workshop here.
- Tuesday, June 22, 2021: Roadway and Traffic Evacuation Planning (Completed)
 - Watch recorded workshop <u>here</u>.
 - 800+ survey responses received, data to be presented under Item 6b of this Council agenda.
- Thursday, July 15, 2021: Downtown and Clark Road Design Standards (Completed)
 - Watch recorded workshop here.
- Thursday, August 12, 2021: Bicycling and Walking Network Review (Completed)
 - Watch recorder workshop <u>here</u>.

All workshops have allowed flexible attendance either <u>virtually</u> or in-person at Town Hall Council Chambers (5555 Skyway, Paradise).

Currently there are four primary focuses of the Transportation Master Plan:

- Efforts are currently underway to increase public participation for feedback on the Transportation Master Plan through staffing of tables at various community events and locations. These efforts are mostly focused on Active Transportation Program-type projects such as sidewalks and multi-use bike-pedestrian pathways. Additional outreach and participation with the public to shape project priorities significantly improves our project applications' competitiveness.
- Multi-agency Emergency Evacuation Planning Task Force has resumed meetings and made significant progress towards addressing major objective's in the Town's Corrective Action Plan. This includes revisions to the Town's Emergency Evacuation and Traffic Control Plan as well as initiating processes to improve regional communication and implementation strategies.
- 3. Relating to utilities, work is underway for the development of policies, procedures and coordination. This involves the creation of a master map of undergrounding to be used in planning future road rehabilitation projects.
- 4. Grant application work has been completed for the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery relating to transportation projects identified through technical analysis and public feedback.

Paradise Sewer Project

Efforts for Past Month:

- The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) hosts meetings
 of the Sewer Regionalization Project Advisory Committee (SRPAC). The last SRPAC was
 on October 11, 2021 at 1:00 pm. The meeting was held in-person at the Town of Paradise's
 council chambers.
- Continued analysis and writing efforts for the Draft EIR, including the Project Description and Alternatives sections.
- Continued to update public website (www.paradisesewer.com).
- The City of Chico, through its consultant Carollo Engineers, continued its analysis of the potential to treat Paradise wastewater at the Chico Water Pollution Control Plant.
- Continued funding application efforts.
- On November 29, 2021, meeting with Supervisor Kimmelshue to discuss project efforts.

- On December 1, 2021, holding a follow-up meeting with Butte LAFCo staff.
- On December 2, 2021, meeting with Supervisor Teeter to discuss project efforts.
- On December 6, 2021, meeting with Richard Harriman (legal representation for the Northern California Environmental Defense Center), William Bynum (Northern California Environmental Defense Center) and Dana Ripley (Professional Engineer) to discuss comments received during Public Scoping Period. As requested by Richard Harriman, this Agenda Summary includes correspondence which was provided by Richard Harriman to staff for Council's review and information. Further included is the draft Executive Summary of a White Paper being prepared by Dana Ripley, a private sector California Professional Engineer who is not represented by Richard Harriman.
- On December 7, 2021, meeting with Supervisor Lucero, Supervisor Ritter and Butte County staff to discuss project efforts.

Efforts for Next Month:

- At it's June 14th meeting, the SRPAC decided to shift to a meeting frequency of once every two months, with the next meeting planned for December 13, 2021 at 1:00 pm at the City of Chico's council chambers. Information about SRPAC meetings can be found at www.paradisesewer.com.
- On December 16, 2021, meeting with Supervisor Connelly to discuss project efforts.
- On December 16, 2021, meeting with Butte Environmental Council to discuss project efforts.
- Continue writing efforts on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
- The City of Chico, through its consultant Carollo Engineers, will continue its analysis of the potential to treat Paradise wastewater at the Chico Water Pollution Control Plant.
- Continue funding application efforts.

Mattox, Marc

From: Mattox, Marc

Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 3:38 PM **To:** Richard Harriman; Phillips, Kevin

Cc: Scott Huber

Subject: RE: Paradise Sewer Project; Receipt of Additional Comments re DEIR

Mr. Harriman:

This email responds to yours of Tuesday, November 30, that followed up on our meeting as part of the continued scoping for the Paradise Sewer DEIR.

We confirm that you provided your letter of June 3, 2021, including a copy of the letter of May 20, 2021 from Stephen Lucas, Executive Officer of the Butte County LAFCo, and your article entitled "Urban Water Conservation: Another Alternative."

As you requested, we will provide a copy of your November 30, 2021 email and your June 3, 2021 letter with attachments to all Town of Paradise Council members. In addition, your letter and attachments have been placed in the administrative record for the project and noted as comments provided after the Notice of Preparation. However, at this point there are no responses to comments as the Draft EIR has not been completed or circulated.

Thank you and Mr. Ripley for the information provided. We understand your opposition to the project as presently proposed and that you do not represent Mr. Ripley. Certainly we will give your comments due consideration and we hope that you will give the Town Manager's responses the same consideration.

Sincerely,

Marc Mattox

Public Works Director & Town Engineer Town of Paradise | (530) 872-6291 x 125

From: Richard Harriman < richardharrimanattorney@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:07 PM

To: Phillips, Kevin < KPhillips@townofparadise.com >; Mattox, Marc < mmattox@townofparadise.com >

Cc: Scott Huber <shuber@colehuber.com>

Subject: Re: Paradise Sewer Project; Receipt of Additional Comments re DEIR

Dear Mssrs. Phillips and Mattox:

This email confirms that my clients and I submitted a copy of my letter of June 3, 2021, including a copy of the letter of May 20, 2021 from Stephen Lucas, Executive Officer of the Butte County LAFCo, and my article entitled "Urban Water Conservation: Another Alternative", which I transmitted to Collette Curtis, PIO, at the wrong email address on Mr. Lucas's letter. [Under separate cover, I am forwarding a copy of my email of June 3, to the incorrect email address.]

During yesterday's meeting, you and the Town Attorney agreed that the June 3, 2021 letter would be included in the record of proceedings and responses to the comments submitted would be included in the Final EIR. If this is incorrect, please let me know, so that I may take appropriate action to have these Comments included in the record of proceedings.

Finally, this confirms that I do not represent Mr. Ripley and that you are free to communicate directly with him regarding this matter or any other matter without further notice and/or consent; and, I confirmed at our meeting that I have not been retained to represent Mr. Ripley or his family since 1976, when I performed legal services for his late father regarding another matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to meet and confer with you and your staff. On behalf of my client, Northern California Environmental Defense Center, I am confirming our opposition to the Paradise Sewer Pipeline Project as presently proposed, and that my client would support the other alternative outlined and discussed by Mr. Ripley during yesterday's meeting.

Please provide a copy of this letter and the Comment letter of June 3, 2021 which was delivered yesterday to all Town of Paradise Council members for their information and review.

Thank you, again, for your and other City Staff's time yesterday. We appreciate your professional courtesy in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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June 3, 2021

SUBMITTED VIA WEBSITE ccurtis@townofparadise.org

Collette Curtis, PIO Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway Paradise, CA 95969

Re: Town of Paradise Sewer Pipeline Project
Comments re Notice of Preparation of Project EIR

Dear Ms. Curtis:

I am submitting the following comments regarding the above-referenced proposed project on behalf of myself, as a resident of the City of Chico, a taxpayer and rate payer of the City of Chico, and on behalf of the Northern California Environmental Defense Center in the public interest of other residents of the City of Chico and the County of Butte.

- 1. I join in the comments, dated May 20, 2021, submitted by Stephen Lucas, the Executive Officer of the Butte County Local Agency Formation Commission. [A true copy is attached hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. Attached please find a copy of an article that I prepared which analyzes the public policy, legal, and environmental benefits to be gained by re-considering the "Preferred Project," and request that the issues set forth therein be analyzed and considered in the "Project Alternatives" section of the EIR prepared for the proposed project, especially the benefits for prevention of significant adverse environmental effects from recurrent wildfires on the Ridge.
- 3. Although I have already made this comment at public meetings regarding the proposed project, I want to reiterate my request that the EIR analyze the environmental, planning, and economic impacts of not including the preparation of the updated General Plans and Environmental Impact Reports for Town of Paradise and the City of Chico as part of the "Preferred Project" analysis, because the proposed project will require such updates to be prepared and approved, prior to consideration of the proposed project or as a condition of approval by LAFCo.

- 4. The proposed Project Description is not stable, finite, and accurate, so that it is my request that the Notice of Preparation of the EIR be revised, amended, corrected, and recirculated and the public comment period be re-opened and new public Scoping Meetings held by the lead agencies, including both the City of Chico and the Town of Paradise, because the purported rationale for the proposed project [expedited redevelopment of the Town of Paradise] will not be achieved by the development and construction of the proposed project, as defined.
- 5. The EIR should also disclose, analyze, discuss and address the potential significant impacts to the environment which may occur, depending on what changes are made to the final project under the "Design Build" legislation pursuant to AB 36 (Gallagher), if enacted by the State Legislature.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Preparation of the EIR. Please put me on your circulation list for the Draft EIR and/or any changes in the process, including recirculation of a revised or amended NOP or Project Description.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD L. HARRIMAN

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General Counsel

Northern California Environmental

Defense Center

cc: Clients

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May 20, 2021

Collette Curtis, Public Information Officer Sul Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway Paradise, CA 95969

Submitted Via Website: ccurtis@townofparadise.org

Dear Ms. Curtis:

Re:

The Butte Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) appreciates the opportunity to provide input for the Town of Paradise Sewer Project — Notice of Preparation of Environmental Impact Report that will support the proposed sewer line extension from the City of Chico Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) to the Town of Paradise. This will also require the approval of an extension of services application by LAFCo as the service extension is proposed to be outside of the City's

Town of Paradise Sewer Project - Notice of Preparation of Environmental Impact Report

jurisdictional and Sphere of Influence boundaries.

The primary concern of LAFCo as a responsible agency with permitting authority is to ensure that the Commission is regularly consulted by affected agencies to avoid the matter being presented to the Commission for action after important decisions and milestones have been locked in. It is our understanding that coordination with LAFCo is identified as a Phase 2 implementation issue under the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) covering the selected alternative.

LAFCO's Role

Government Code Section 56133(a)(b)(c) mandates that A city or district may provide new or extended services by contract or agreement outside its jurisdictional boundary only if it first requests and receives written approval from the commission. The commission may authorize a city or district to provide new or extended services outside its jurisdictional boundary outside its jurisdictional boundary outside its jurisdictional boundary and outside its sphere of influence to respond to an existing or impending threat to the health or safety of the public or the residents of the affected territory, if the entity applying for approval has provided the commission with documentation of a threat to the health and safety of the public or the affected residents.

The proposal for the City to extend its sewage collection and/or wastewater treatment facilities to the Town falls under the purview of Section 56133 and therefore, LAFCo. Should the sewer service extension be approved by LAFCo for the proposed sewer service area boundary identified by the Town, any future adjustments to that boundary or additional sewer connections will require the consent the City as the contracted provider and LAFCo as the approving authority for the service extension request.

Provisions for extension of service requests are found in Government Code §56133 and in Section 4.5 of the Commission Policies and Procedures. Service extensions outside of an agency's Sphere of Influence may only be approved by LAFCo if there is "an existing or impending threat to the health or safety of the public or the residents of the affected territory. (§56133(c))

Support Documents

The City/Town will need to provide documentation/justification of the existing or impending public health and safety threat the extension of services would address. This is a critical prerequisite to the project as it is the only legally permissible justification available to the LAFCo to approve a service extension request outside of an agency's (Chico) Sphere of Influence.

Additionally, the City will have to demonstrate how such an arrangement will not impact its current residents or its responsibility to serve the existing parcels within its jurisdictional boundaries/service area who are not currently sewered and utilize on-site septic systems. This would include the remaining approximately 3,000 parcels that are not currently connected to the City's sewer infrastructure but fall under are under the Chico Urban Area Nitrate Compliance Plan which calls for the termination of on-site septic systems as a contributor to ground water nitrate contamination. It is fundamentally critical that the City ensure that it retains adequate WCPP capacity for future service demands from it residents.

Along with a determination of capacity, LAFCo will also have to review the fiscal viability of the proposed extension, particularly the projected cost to Paradise residents of such service and the assurances that City residents do not in any way subsidize the proposed service.

EIR-NOP Observations/Comments:

- 1. Project Description The proposed project for the purposes of the EIR, should be adequately described to include not only the sewer infrastructure analysis, but the necessary Extension of Services Application that is expected to be initiated by the City of Chico and considered for approval by LAFCo. It is vitally important to recognize that limiting the "project description" to only the sewer infrastructure project will make associated regulatory agency approvals such as LAFCo's more complicated. This raises the important question of just what type of governance is anticipated now by the Town and what type of governance oversight may be useful in the future such a special district or subsidiary district? For the EIR to be of the greatest value, it should consider all alternatives that may be desired now or in the future.
- Proposed Sewer Service Area The proposal describes the intended Sewer Service Area, which is limited primarily to the commercial and industrial land uses along Skyway, Pearson and Clark Roads. How would future sewer connection requests within the Town Sewer Service Area (not along the pipe to Chico) be addressed?

There are small lot residential neighborhoods immediately adjacent to the proposed Town Sewer Service area. It seems reasonable based on early public comments to anticipate that landowners contiguous to the Town's Sewer Service Area/collection system with a developed use and failing septic system would desire to connect rather than repair an existing system. This is a different scenario from new development. Butte County Environmental Health Division regulations require a landowner with a failed septic system to connect to a public sewer if the access is within 250 feet of the affected parcel. How will additional requests for access to sewer services be addressed?

- 3. Post Treatment (Recycled) Water The Town will be sending significant quantities of effluent to the City's WPCP, which will be treated, and under current conditions, discharged to the Sacramento River. Given the extreme focus on drought planning, the reuse of treated effluent is an ever more important source of scarce water supplies. At some point, the City of Chico may determine that moving to tertiary treatment and reusing this valuable resource is a priority. The question is: Who will retain the rights to treated water discharged from the Chico WPCP? Will the Town receive credit/compensation for its share of the treated effluent?
- WPCP Concerns How will the City and Town address future WPCP issues such as plant expansions, conversion to tertiary treatment and violations at the WPCP be addressed.
- 5. Administration Who will provide overall administration of the proposed sewer extension to the Town? How will customer relations such as billing, maintenance, and new connections be accomplished?
- 6. Governance Alternatives Should the sewer service extension be found unworkable, or if LAFCo cannot determine a legally supportable exemption from the requirements found in GC56133, what other alternatives would be considered (such as the creation of a separate subsidiary district to provide sewer service to both cities)? Such a reorganization would make 56133 no longer applicable, as the new district will have its own sphere.
- 7. Growth Inducement Depending on the design capacity of the pipeline, its location, and its potential users, it is likely that additional development within the Town could become possible. Current on-site wastewater treatment systems greatly limit development potential. Once sewer becomes available, those growth limitations no longer apply. This analysis may be difficult to accurately assess given the age of the Town General Plan adopted in 1994. Ideally, the 1994 General Plan would be updated based on current conditions prior to estimating future sewerage flows. Additionally, other landowners outside the City boundaries in proximity to such a sewer line may request or expect that the development of those lands be permitted to utilize the new sewer line. The potential environmental impacts of such development needs to be analyzed in the EIR unless a firm prohibition on such connections is included in the project, if not, LAFCo may consider conditions of approval that would restrict access to the sewer line to parcels only within the Town's defined sewer service area.
- 8. Chico Urban Area Nitrate Compliance Plan The Nitrate Compliance Plan was adopted in 2000 as a result of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Prohibition Orders No. 90-126 and 905-024 which addressed the nitrate contamination in the groundwater linked to on-site septic systems in the Chico Urban Area. The orders called for existing septic systems be discontinued and connections to the City sewer system be required. Much effort and resources were spent on this program and the City has installed significant new sewage collection infrastructure over the past decade to allow all affected parcels to connect. How will the City ensure that the WPCP maintains/reserves the capacity to accommodate these remaining approximately 3,000 uses on septic systems?
- 9. Increased Exposure to Severe Fire Hazard. Development of the project is intended to encourage the growth and redevelopment of the Town of Paradise. While this has many desirable benefits, the EIR cannot ignore the serious adverse fire risk impact of the project. As the fire demonstrated, Paradise is clearly located in a severe fire zone with limited access for evacuation. Encouraging redevelopment and growth in that area will inevitably result in increased exposure of the new structures and residents to the severe fire risk. This impact is

likely to be significant over the long run. It must be analyzed and mitigation measures explored to mitigate the risk. For example, is an additional evacuation route feasible?

LAFCo is eager to be cooperative partner in the effort to bring sewer service to the Town as the project is likely to greatly assist the Town to address a serious long-term problem and augment the Town's ability to rebuild a sustainable and viable commercial district. However, we are all bound to comply with the law, even where it may hinder achievement of a desirable objective. We look forward to working with the City and Town and its partners in development of this proposal in order to determine if a legally permissible path forward can be found for LAFCo to approve the extension of services. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions

Sincerely,

Steve Lucas

Stephen Lucas Executive Officer

cc: LAFCO

URBAN WATER CONSERVATION: ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE

By Richard L. Harriman*

The recent coordinated "roll out" of the proposed Paradise Sewage Pipeline to the City of Chico's waste water treatment facility on River Road calls for a renewed focus on "improved urban water conservation" referred to by Lester Snow, a well-respected former member of Governor Jerry Brown's administration in 2015.

California statutes mandate re-use of tertiary treated wastewater by urban communities within their jurisdictions. Re-use of tertiary treated wastewater from de-centralized treatment facilities for purposes that do not require potable water is defined as a "beneficial use" of water.

Civil engineering consultants have the knowledge, technology, and experience necessary to design and construct specially engineered tertiary wastewater treatment systems to serve new development or retro-fit infill development. If implemented, this technology can reduce the demand for potable urban water *by almost 90%*. Currently, facilities have been permitted by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board and are successfully operating in the cities of Fresno, Clovis, and in Madera County (and, also, in Monterey County).

Similarly, financing for de-centralized tertiary wastewater systems is available.

Community Facility District (CFD) financing for public police, fire safety services, and infrastructure for public utilities is commonly utilized throughout the state. Public finance consultants are familiar with this financing; and, following the repeal of redevelopment agency statutes, other new financing options were created and are available for new systems.

The financial and environmental benefits of specially engineered de-centralized community wastewater treatment facilities are numerous. First, using small-scale wastewater treatment systems allows a local government to avoid excess treatment capacity and debt service for treatment facilities that are *over-sized* to anticipate future growth. Second, the use of small-scale community wastewater treatment facilities avoids having to *speculate* about the rate of future growth and allows the local governments to respond more accurately to *real growth*, rather than to speculate on the rate of *future* growth during *uncertain* future market conditions.

The failure to use small-scale wastewater facilities imposes an unnecessary burden on the existing local taxpayers and water users. Currently, they pay for excess unused capacity that does not benefit these rate payers---who do not need it, and may never use it. Using tertiary treated

wastewater from small-scale de-centralized facilities avoids the cost of having to construct and operate additional unnecessary water conveyance facilities to return the tertiary treated waste water to the users for re-use on site, sell it to agricultural users, or discharge for in-stream uses.

Finally, the environmental benefits of small-scale wastewater treatment facilities include re-use of urban tertiary treated wastewater closer to the original user, as required by Water Code section 53353, which will reduce the total amount of groundwater used. Second, the use of this technology allows local governments to "fine tune" the rate and amount of new growth planned for the local community. Third, these systems may be used for both new development and retrofitting in-fill growth, without expanding or surcharging the existing centralized wastewater treatment facilities. Fourth, charging the residents of the new growth and/or infill development for the cost of their own wastewater treatment facilities and operating expenses will make these residents more aware of their own water use, so they may reduce their use of potable water supplies as much as possible. Fifth, the re-use of recycled water from such facilities will reduce demand *per capita* on groundwater supplies for potable water and the cost of water for non-potable uses.

Therefore, the current paradigm of hugely expensive "design-build" large-scale centralized wastewater treatment facilities and conveyance systems should be re-examined in the light of currently available wastewater treatment technology, solar energy systems, and financing. Governor Newsom's administration should aggressively pursue "improved urban conservation" by permitting local agencies and developers to use state-of-the-art small-scale decentralized tertiary wastewater systems for new development. This alternative can be implemented quickly and expedited by updating local general plans, general plan implementation action plans, and Subdivision Map conditions of approval. If adopted, this strategy will: 1) reduce costs for both developers and local rate payers; 2) reduce energy costs, 3) protect and enhance environmental resources; and 4) implement the mandatory "beneficial use" of recycled tertiary treated wastewater. In light of the fact that the stated Project Description is focused on the expedited re-development of the Town of Paradise and other unincorporated communities on the Ridge, the enormous cost of the proposed project, the 5-10 year time frame identified by the project consultants for the completion of the "Preferred" project, and the potential ability of recycled waste water to be used for fire control and irrigated defensible space require a re-

examination of the de-centralized specially engineered waste water treatment facilities for this project.

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Re: Paradise Pipeline Project; Comments re Notice of Preparation/Scoping of EIR

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Dear Rick:

Since I know that you are the direct contact for the Paradise Post and the Town of Paradise community,

I am reaching out to you toward the end that you and I might have a telephone conversation

regarding this project.

The purpose of my request is to communicate that my clients and others in Chico and the County want you,

the Town of Paradise (TOP) City Council, the Ridge community in the County, and the development community

to know and understand that my clients and other members of the Chico and Butte County community support the

expedited redevelopment of Paradise and the unincorporated community on the Ridge.

I would like to share with you the basis for our position that the quickest, most efficient, and most cost-effective

way to jump start and fast-track the redevelopment of Paradise and the Ridge and to protect the reconstructed

community on the Ridge from future wildfire events and damage to life and property is by the use of de-centralized

specially engineered and designed wastewater treatment facilities on the Ridge and to retain the treated/recyled

water and re-use it on the Ridge for non-potable uses, such as the creation and maintenance of green/defensible

open space to protect hardened structures buffered by defensible open space. Also, I would like to have an

opportunity to discuss why the TOP should initiate the update of its General Plan, including the Transportation/

Circulation/Infrastructure Element which will be required before the sewer pipeline can be approved and constructed.

We are asking you to reconsider the option originally considered and, then, rejected by the Town Council,

because of the amount of time and the huge expense of constucting and maintaining the proposed sewer

pipeline project---and the fact that the proposed pipeline will NOT come on line for at least 5-10 years,

as estimated by the project consultants in an open meeting.

Please let me know when it would be a good time for you to discuss with you on the phone after
Mike returns to the office.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me at my office phone or cell phone or text me (24/7) Hope you have a great warm summer weekend.

Respectfully yours,

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Butte County, California

Sewer, Water Reuse, and Wildfire Defense Integrated Plan



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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 Introduction

This white paper¹ is presented to the Town of Paradise (TOP) and Butte County as an alternative vision and approach to solving the Town's longstanding sewer infrastructure needs. It is an attempt by the author to provide an independent view of the recognized sewer problem facing TOP, and offer an alternative opinion and recommendation as to a comparable cost, environmentally superior solution relative to the sewer project currently under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review.

1.2 18-MILE WASTEWATER EXPORT PLAN

The project currently under CEQA review is described in the Notice of Preparation dated May 3, 2021, as follows:

The Proposed Project consists of three constructed components—a wastewater collection system in Paradise, an 18-mile export pipeline to convey wastewater to the Chico Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP), and connection to the WPCP — and operation of the new sewer system. The export pipeline would begin at the southwest edge of Paradise and run for approximately 8 miles along Skyway until reaching south Chico, at which point the pipeline would leave Skyway and continue west, crossing Butte Creek, Highway 99, and the Union Pacific Railroad, and terminating at the Chico WPCP in Chico. The Proposed Project would not change the service area of the Chico WPCP other than the addition of the Paradise connection and treatment. Moreover, there would be no additional fees for Chico residents and existing Chico WPCP rate payers as a result of the Proposed Project. This long-term wastewater solution will allow for sustainable housing and business activity in Town, supporting the community's economic recovery and vitality².

For purposes of this white paper, the current proposed project is referred to as the "Export Plan." The total capital cost of the Export Plan as presented by TOP's consultant in December 2020 is \$184 million³. This estimate provides sewer service to approximately 1,470 parcels within the existing Sewer Service Area (SSA).

1.3 Sewer, Water Reuse and Wildfire Defense Integrated Plan

The alternative project as presented in this white paper includes the following major components:

- 1. Effluent-only pressure sewer collection within the SSA 2017 report
- 2. Local water recycling facility sited within or adjacent to TOP phased
- 3. High pressure non-potable auxiliary water supply system (AWSS)
- 4. Non-potable AWSS distribution to all parcels within SSA
- 5. Non-potable water irrigation supply for all parcels within SSA including parks, irrigated buffers, evacuation routes, high-risk slopes
- 6. California Title 22 disinfected tertiary recycled water for seasonal aguifer recharge

- 7. Non-potable water tank storage within TOP serving multiple pressure zones
- 8. Supplemental raw water supply for AWSS bypassing PID treatment plant in emergencies, if necessary
- 9. Supplemental groundwater supply for AWSS in emergencies, if necessary
- 10. Strategic wildfire defense capabilities including rooftop sprinklers, water cannons, water misters protecting essential and high value assets from wind-driven ember cast
- 11. Separation of potable and non-potable water distribution to prevent depressurization of potable system and chemical contamination caused by abrupt increase in water demand during a wildfire event
- 12. Robust community-scale wildfire mitigation and defense strategy to reduce insurance underwriters' risk profile and lower property insurance premiums
- 13. Septage receiving facility to accommodate biosolids from all TOP septic tanks
- 14. Expedited system delivery of 18-24 months from award of design-build contract to first flush relative to 5-10 years for the Export Plan
- 15. Significant opportunity for state and federal grant funding sources otherwise not available to the Export Plan
- 16. Ability to ultimately expand system to include all residential and commercial parcels within TOP

For purposes of this white paper the sewer, water reuse, and wildfire defense integrated plan is referred to as the "SWRWD Plan." A preliminary budget for this alternative plan is presented that relies in large part of prior estimates prepared by TOP's own consultant teams. For specific components not estimated previously, planning level budgets are presented. Based on these preliminary budgets, the capital cost of the SWRWD Plan serving the existing SSA is estimated at \$187 million.

1.4 PURPOSE OF WHITE PAPER

The intent of this white paper is to present an alternative vision and approach to solving TOP's sewer needs with a multi-dimensional set of objectives — an approach that recognizes value in local water reuse coupled TOP's overwhelming need to develop a robust community-scale wildfire defense strategy.

The Export Plan offers the one-dimensional benefit of regional wastewater disposal. The SWRWD Plan, on the other hand, offers 16 multi-dimensional co-benefits as listed in Section 1.3 above. This white paper also discusses beneficial non-technical aspects of the SWRWD Plan including permitting, capital costs, grant funding, property/wildfire insurance, system procurement, and time to implement.

By preparation of this white paper, a request is made to TOP to review the information herein and include the SWRWD Plan in the "Alternatives" section of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) in accordance with CEQA guidelines. Upon approval of a Final EIR with both options included, TOP would be able to competitively bid the Export Plan and the SWRWD Plan on a design-build (DB) basis.

Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Agenda Item: 1(h)

Date: December 14th, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Tony Lindsey, CDD, Building & Code

Enforcement

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Philips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Camp Fire Recovery Updates – Code Enforcement

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Code Enforcement Update

Background:

The mission of the Code Enforcement Division is to promote and maintain a safe and desirable living and working environment. We help maintain and improve the quality of our community by administering a fair and unbiased enforcement program to correct violations of municipal codes and land use requirements. We work with residents, neighborhood associations, public service agencies, and other Town departments to:

- Facilitate voluntary compliance with Town codes.
- Empower community self-help programs.
- Develop public outreach programs.
- Establish community priorities for enforcement programs.

Analysis:

During November (October 29th – December 2nd) Code Enforcement worked a total of 89 RV violations spread throughout Town. By the end of this reporting period, the total number of RV cases was reduced to 79. 18 locations had a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) and 71 unpermitted sites did not. (Map Exhibit A)

TUPs under ORD 612 = 303 Issued as of 12/1/2021 (Map Exhibit B)

- Storage only 33 (31)
- Occupied & issued 270 (274)
- 243 (245) 80% are owner applied/occupied.

The Community Enhancement Outreach Team, consisting of Fire Prevention, Police, Housing, and Code Enforcement staff visited 33 (33) RV sites.

- 27 community members were contacted:
 - 19 Were tenants and did not own property.

- 8 Owner occupied.
- o 3 Purchased the property post-Camp Fire.
- 2 are being assisted by Housing.
- 3 accepted flyers for the Town's programs.

Code Enforcement receives complaints of violations from staff (proactive enforcement) and general community members. Each complaint is investigated and verified by our Officer. Below are the statistics of our current Open and Active RV Code Enforcement Cases and for reference last reporting period numbers. (Last Month comparison)

- Sites without TUP's Violations 71 (70)
- Sites with TUP Violations 18 (15)
- Sites with Administrative Warnings 89 (85) spiked to 99 (95) during the reporting period.
- Sites with 1st Administrative citation issued 60 (64)
- Sites with 2nd Administrative citation issued 40 (34)
- Sites with 3rd Administrative citation issued 17 (21)
- Compliance Gained RV cases closed 10 (10)
 - TUP violations resolved − 5 (2)
 - 2 RVs removed
 - 3 Violation resolved
- Town Attorney staff sent seven (7) of the nine (9) Nuisance properties final 30-day
 warning letters to abate the nuisance conditions. Work continues on the remainder and
 each site is monitored for compliance. Code prepared 3 more nuisance property files for
 Town attorney review.
- Misc. Items:
 - Abandoned Vehicle Authority abatements 9 (13)
 - 5 vehicles were towed.
 - 4 voluntarily removed.
 - Complaints regarding: Waste and Refuse, Building without Permits, Camping, Cargo Containers, Grading, Erosion control, Fire Hazards, Cannabis, etc.

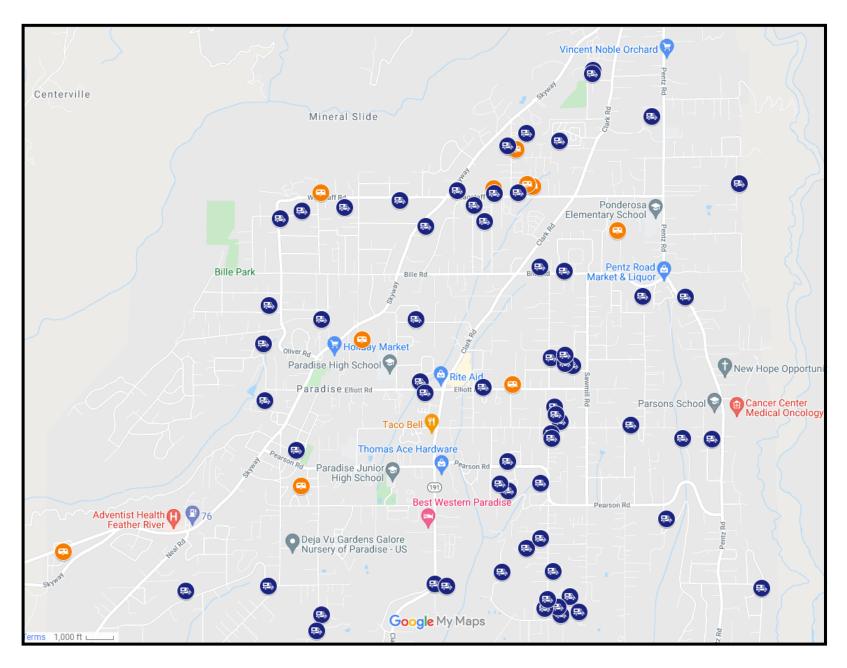
Fire Prevention is built upon the philosophy of three main objectives: Education, Engineering, and Enforcement. Fire Prevention is a vital function in the community and our continued economic development. Our defensible space and hazardous fuel management ordinance requires property owners to keep their parcels fire safe, whether they live in Town or not. Beginning on May 3rd our sole Fire Prevention Inspector began the task of performing weed abatement inspections on 11,085 parcels within our community.

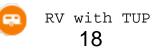
The following is the number of Defensible Space Program inspections that have been completed as of 12/2/2021:

- Compliant 7,746 (7,487)
- Non-compliant 2,824 (3,077)
- Code Enforcement Referrals 515 (566)

We are at about 70% compliance and continue to work with property owners who have communicated with us after receiving non-compliance notices and/or citations.

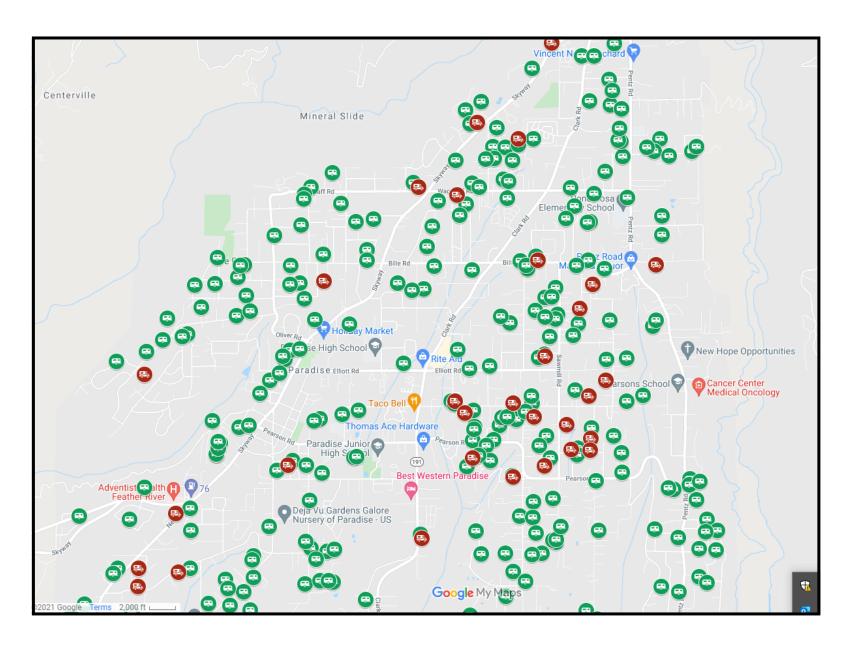
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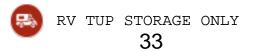


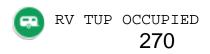




TUPs under ORD 612









TOWN COUNCIL

Special Meeting Minutes

5:00 PM - November 9, 2021

1. OPENING

The Special meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Crowder at 5:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chamber located at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Bolin, Steve "Woody" Culleton, Jody Jones, Rose Tryon and Steve Crowder, Mayor.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Kevin Phillips, Town Clerk Dina Volenski, Town Attorney Scott Huber, Human Resources and Risk Management Director Crystal Peters, Attorney Mark Habib, and Project Manager for Recovery and Economic Development Brian Solecki.

Mayor Crowder recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 5:02 p.m.

At 5:47 p.m. Mayor Crowder announced the following:

2. CLOSED SESSION

- 2a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), the Council will meet with the Town Manager and Town Attorney regarding potential exposure to litigation one case.
 - **Motion by Bolin, seconded by Culleton,** Town Council unanimously voted to approve the settlement agreement with a former employee.
- 2b. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, the Town Council will hold a closed session to meet with Kevin Phillips, Ross Gilb, Crystal Peters and legal counsel, its designated representatives, regarding labor relations between the Town of Paradise and the Paradise Police Officers Association.
 - All Town Council concurred to adopt Resolution No. 21-47 "A Resolution of The Town Council of The Town of Paradise Approving a Side Letter to The Memorandum of Understanding with the Paradise Police Officers Association". Roll call vote was unanimous.
- 2c. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4), the Town Council will meet with the Town Manager and Town Attorney to consider initiation of litigation (12 potential cases).

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Jones, Adopted Resolution No. 21-48 – "A Resolution of The Town Council of The Town of Paradise

Declaring an Emergency and Making Related Factual Findings Related to Nuisance Conditions and an Immediate Threat to Public Health and Safety Existing at 1313 Deodara Way, APN 053-300-004 in Paradise, CA." Roll call vote was unanimous.

MOTION by Bolin, seconded by Culleton, Adopted Resolution No. 21-49 – "A Resolution of The Town Council of The Town of Paradise Declaring an Emergency and Making Related Factual Findings Related to Nuisance Conditions and an Immediate Threat to Public Health and Safety Existing at 1373 Nunnely Road, APN 053-300-039 in Paradise, CA." Roll call vote was unanimous.

MOTION by Bolin, seconded by Tryon, Adopted Resolution No. 21-50 – "A Resolution of The Town Council of The Town of Paradise Declaring an Emergency and Making Related Factual Findings Related to Nuisance Conditions and an Immediate Threat to Public Health and Safety Existing at 0 Demille Road, APN 055-261-081 in Paradise, CA." Roll call vote was unanimous.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Steve Crowder, Mayor	Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk
Ву:	Attest:
Date approved:	
Mayor Crowder adjourned the Council	meeting at 5:47 p.m.



TOWN COUNCIL Meeting Minutes 6:00 PM - November 9, 2021

1. OPENING

The Regular meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Crowder at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chamber located at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. An invocation was offered by Council Member Bolin.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Bolin, Steve "Woody" Culleton, Jody Jones, Rose Tryon and Steve Crowder, Mayor.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Kevin Phillips, Town Clerk Dina Volenski, Public Works Director/Town Engineer Marc Mattox, Town Attorney Scott E. Huber, Finance Director Ross Gilb, Community Development Director Susan Hartman, Community Development Director Tony Lindsey, Business and Housing Manager Kate Anderson, Fire Chief Garrett Sjolund, Hazard Tree Removal Project Manager Brian Solecki, and Deputy Town Clerk Melanie Norris.

Mayor Crowder read the actions taken in Closed Session at the 5:00 p.m. Special Town Council Meeting.

A moment of silence was held in recognition of the November 8, 2018 Camp Fire in the Town of Paradise.

- 1a. Mayor Crowder read a proclamation recognizing November as Homeless and Runaway Youth Awareness Month, accepted by Mallory Penzotti from the Butte County Runaway Homeless Youth Task Force. (180-40-027)
- 1b. Ashleigh Howick from the California Citizen Redistricting Commission provided Council with a presentation on the redistricting process.
- 1c. Camp Fire Recovery Updates: The following items were written reports included in the agenda packet:

Brian Solecki, Recovery and Economic Development Project Manager - Recovery projects, Advocacy, Economic Recovery and Development, Communications and Emergency Operations. (110-60-061)

Marc Mattox, Public Works Director/Town Engineer - Infrastructure and Sewer Update (110-60-061)

Tony Lindsey, CDD-Building and Code Enforcement - Code Enforcement Update (110-60-061)

Kate Anderson, Business and Housing Manager - Housing Update (110-60-061)

1d. Tom Baker and Nicole Bateman presented to the Town Council on the Habitat for Humanity homes that are being sponsored in the Town of Paradise.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Bolin, seconded by Jones, approved consent calendar items 2a through 2e. Roll call vote was unanimous.

- 2a. Approved minutes from the October 12, 2021 Regular Town Council meeting.
- 2b. Approved October 2021 Cash Disbursements in the amount of \$2,902,338.51.
- 2c. Reviewed and filed the 1st Quarter Investment Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.
- 2d. Waived the second reading of entire Town Ordinance No. 613 and read by title only; and, adopted Town Ordinance No. 613, "An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise, Adding Section 2.43 to the Paradise Municipal Code "Electronic Filing of Campaign Disclosure Statements and Statements of Economic Interest," relating to electronic and paperless filing of fair political practices commission campaign disclosure statements.
- 2e. Concurred with staff recommendation to file CEQA Notice of Exemption for Defensible Space Code Enforcement Project.
- 3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR -None
- 4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION- None
- 5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS None**
- 6. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION
 - 6a. Mayor Crowder informed the Town Council of the recommended candidates selected by the Measure V Interview Committee to fill one permanent and two alternate members on the Measure V Oversight Committee.

MOTION by Jones, seconded by Tryon, approved Patricia Elkerton as the Regular Committee member and Ron Lassonde and Gail Larson as Alternate Members to the Measure V Oversight Committee. Roll call vote was unanimous.

- 6b. Community Development Director Susan Hartman provided an update on changes made to the Exceptions Committee Permit Application Form for the recently enacted Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance Exceptions Committee.
 - **MOTION** by Bolin, seconded by Jones, approved the application standards for the recently enacted Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance Exceptions Committee. AYES: Bolin, Culleton, Jones and Mayor Crowder; NOES: Tryon; ABSENT: None, ABSTAIN: None
- 6c. Project Manager Brian Solecki reviewed the four concerns raised by the Town Council from the reseeding design and scoping plan presented at the October 12, 2021 Town Council meeting.
 - 1. Where would Public Works be interested in maintaining the reseeding plan: The Public Works team recommended implementing it on the larger parcels around Town such as the Sawmill/Pearson, Berry Creek Drive and the Paradise Community Village properties and areas that would require slope stabilization.

Council requested more specific areas be identified.

2. What plants would be used to attract pollinators: River Partners updated their report to point out the seeds that were included to support pollinators. They did note, however, that Milkweed is one of the most expensive seeds to plant and that it has one of the highest rates of failure without extensive maintenance.

Council requested more specific areas be identified for beautification.

- 3. Why replanting trees and shrubs was not included in the plan: FEMA and CAL OES are required to replant so many trees and shrubs and the recovery and public works teams are working with the environmentalists to possibly meet that requirement by partnering with them to plant along the trailway and bike path.
- 4. Financial impact to implement: Future work of the project could be funded through Phase II of the Hazard Mitigation Grant.
- **MOTION by Jones, seconded by Tryon,** acknowledged receipt and approved the final Reseeding Design & Scoping Plan from River Partners under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Advanced Planning grant and directed staff to come back with a plan on how and where to logistically implement and fund the plan before applying for Phase II of the Hazard Mitigation Grant. Roll call vote was unanimous.
- 6d. Community Development Director Tony Lindsey presented on the proposed amendment to Paradise Municipal Code Section 8.58.060 relating to defensible space and hazardous fuel management.

MOTION by Jones, seconded by Bolin, 1. Waived the first reading of Town Ordinance No. 614 and read by title only; and, 2. Introduced Town Ordinance No. 614, "An Ordinance Amending Paradise Municipal Code Section 8.58.060 Relating to Defensible Space and Hazardous Fuel Management", with the ordinance to be implemented by April 1, 2021. Roll call vote was unanimous.

6e. Public Works Director/Town Engineer Marc Mattox presented on the proposed Full Time Construction Inspector I/II position and the amended salary pay plan for the 2021/22 fiscal year.

MOTION by Bolin, seconded by Culleton, Adopted Resolution 21-51, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise Approving the Amended Position Control and Salary Pay Plan for the 2021/22 Fiscal Year" for an FTE Construction Inspector I/II position. Roll call vote was unanimous.

6f. Finance Director/Town Treasurer Ross Gilb reviewed the financial information concerning the FY 2021/22 operating and capital budgets.

MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Bolin, approved staff recommended budget adjustments to the FY 2021/22 operating and capital budgets. Roll call vote was unanimous.

7. COUNCIL INITIATED ITEMS AND REPORTS

7a. Council initiated agenda items -None

7b. Council reports on committee representation

Council Member Jones attended the ribbon cutting for the Highway 70 Widening Project.

Council Member Bolin attended a 3rd year anniversary event for the Camp Fire at Paradise Alliance Church.

Mayor Crowder attended the Grocery Outlet ribbon cutting; attended a meeting with James Gallagher and Kevin Phillips where the Town asked for continued support on moving the PG&E settlement funds forward as well as the Paradise Sewer Project.

7c. Future Agenda Items – Council Member Bolin asked the Council to discuss the upcoming Covid-19 vaccination mandates and requested more Sewer Project updates.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATION

8a. Town Manager Report – Town Manager Phillips suggested setting up a Solid Waste Committee; shared that the Town held interviews for the Information Systems Director position and that the top candidate is currently in background. Mr. Phillips shared that the Town hosted an information meeting for the Feather

Canyon retirement facility; The Town met with the individuals who are designing Hope Plaza and made one recommended change to the design and shared that those individuals are still fundraising for the project; The Town met with the Northern California director for EDA to discuss the Master Transportation Plan. Mr. Phillips also met with Assemblyman Gallagher to discuss the Gas Tax and is hoping the Town will continue to receive revenue based on the last census to help maintain the roads to the condition they were pre-Camp Fire.

9. **CLOSED SESSION** - None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor	Crowder adjourned the Council meeting at 8:21 p.m.
Date a	pproved:
Ву:	
	Steve Crowder, Mayor
Attest:	
	Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk

CASH DISBURSEMENTS REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD OF November 1, 2021 - November 30, 2021



CASH DISBURSEMENTS REPORT November 1, 2021 - November 30, 2021

Check Date	Pay Period End	Description	Amount	Total
11/12/2021	11/7/2021	. Net Payroll - Direct Deposits and Checks	\$ 164,223.87	
11/26/2021	11/21/2021	. Net Payroll - Direct Deposits and Checks	172,930.91	\$ 337,154.78
Accounts Payable				
	Payroll Vendors: ⁻	Taxes, PERS, Dues, Insurance, Etc.	359,371.89	
	Operations Vendo	ors: Supplies, Contracts, Utilities, Etc.	\$ 1,593,354.48	
		TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		1,952,726.37
		GRAND TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 2,289,881.15
	APPROVED BY:	Kevin Phillips, Town Manager		
	APPROVED BY:	Ross Gilb, Finance Director / Town Treasurer		

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79271	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Met Life	\$9,299.48		
79272	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	OPERATING ENGINEERS	\$1,008.00		
79273	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PARADISE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION	\$1,761.96		
79274	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	SUN LIFE INSURANCE	\$5,810.86		
79275	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	SUPERIOR VISION SVC NGLIC	\$765.28		
79276	11/03/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	TOP CONFIDENTIAL MID MGMT ASSOCIATION	\$115.00		
79277	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Adams Ashby Group, Inc.	\$23,482.50		
79278	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AIRGAS SAFETY, INC.	\$914.31		
79279	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Alvies, Sheris	\$15.00		
79280	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	ANIMAL HOSPITAL/VETMOBILE	\$864.00		
79281	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Aristotle Custom Homes	\$6,090.00		
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79283	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T MOBILITY	\$89.46		
79284	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T/CALNET3 - REPEATER LINES	\$210.49		
79285	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T/CALNET3 - COMMUNITY PARK	\$22.99		
79286	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T/CALNET3 - Summary	\$4,914.26		
79287	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	AT&T/CALNET3 - TH/FDPD FIBER LINES	\$1,115.54		
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79289	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Bill G Donovan	\$1,207.32		
79290	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Blue Flamingo Marketing Advocates	\$4,166.67		
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79292	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Bug Smart	\$83.00		
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79294	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Butte County Information Systems	\$17,772.00		
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79305	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Golden State Emergency Vehicle Service, Inc.	\$1,781.18		
79306	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP.	\$274.78		
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79308	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Hero Industries	\$2,562.50		
79309	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Hope Crisis Response Network, Inc	\$25,038.00		
79310	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Hulls Nor Cal Window	\$2,578.09		
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79335	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PARADISE POST	\$88.15		
79336	11/04/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PARADISE RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT	\$1,269.21		
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79371	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Biometrics4ALL, Inc	\$1,363.26		
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79373	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Browns Towing	\$330.00		
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79376	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	CHICO IMMEDIATE CARE	\$200.00		
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79378	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	COMCAST CABLE	\$394.78		
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79381	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	COMPLETE ASPHALT SERVICE CO. INC. (CASCO)	\$68.64		
79382	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	COOK, DEBBIE	\$265.89		
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79393	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	FOOTHILL MILL & LUMBER	\$13,886.72		
79394	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	FP/FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA MAILING SOLUTIONS	\$135.00		
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79396	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	GHD, Inc.	\$227,579.59		
79397	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Granicher Appraisals, Inc	\$350.00		
79398	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	GREEN RIDGE LANDSCAPING	\$5,296.00		
79399	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	HDR Engineering, Inc	\$98,008.26		
79400	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Herc Rentals Inc.	\$6,655.93		
79401	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	HireRight, Inc.	\$8.13		
79402	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Hope Crisis Response Network, Inc	\$15,000.00		
79403	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Hope Crisis Response Network, Inc	\$20,000.00		
79404	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	I.M.P.A.C. PAYMENTS IMPAC GOV SVCS/US BANCORP	\$8,395.82		
79405	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	J.J.R. Enterprises Inc	\$823.21		
79406	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	James or Lavenia Riotto	\$2,600.00		
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79424	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	NORTHSTATE AGGREGATE, INC.	\$576.47		
79425	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	OFFICE DEPOT ACCT#36233169	\$98.44		
79426	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC	\$58.77		
79427	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PARADISE POST	\$408.44		
79428	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	PARADISE RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT	\$2,500.00		
79429	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Powell Roofing Co	\$975.00		
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79432	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Rutan & Tucker, LLP	\$3,570.00		
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79438	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	THOMAS ACE HARDWARE - ENG. DEPT.	\$467.74		
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79444	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	TUCKER PEST CONTROL INC	\$90.00		
79445	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	Urban Planning Partners Inc	\$15,771.06		
79446	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	VALLEY TOXICOLOGY SERVICE	\$1,460.00		
79447	11/18/2021	Open			Accounts Payable	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$345.38		
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Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14th, 2021

Agenda Item: 2(c)

ORIGINATED BY: Tony Lindsey, Community Development Director

- Building & Code Enforcement

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

Scott Huber, Town Attorney

SUBJECT: Adoption of Town Ordinance No. 614

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Waive second reading of the entire Town Ordinance No. 614 and approve reading by title only (roll call vote); and,

2. Adopt Town Ordinance No. 614, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.58.060 section E to the Paradise Municipal Code Relating to Defensible Space and Hazardous Fuel Management".

Background:

On November 9, 2021, the Town Council introduced the above-noted Town ordinance for purposes of eventual adoption. If adopted, the proposed ordinance intends to amend Section 8.58.060 of the Paradise Municipal Code to require a Certificate of Compliance before the transfer of title of a parcel from owner to the buyer which demonstrates the property is not in violation of the Town's defensible space ordinance.

Analysis:

Town staff recommends the Town Council waive the second reading of this entire ordinance; read it by title only, and formally adopt Town Ordinance No. 614 [copy attached]. Once adopted, the provisions of this ordinance will be effective on April 1, 2022.

Financial Impact:

A nominal cost for publication of the ordinance within the local newspaper and codification will be borne by the Town of Paradise.

Attachment

TOWN OF PARADISE ORDINANCE NO. 614

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARADISE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.58.060 RELATING TO DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HAZARDOUS FUEL MANAGEMENT

SECTION 1. Section 8.58.060 of the Paradise Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

8.58.060 Defensible Space/Hazardous Fuel Management Requirements

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 - Maintain immediately around and adjacent to any building or structure free of combustible materials. Combustible materials shall not be stored under decks and the area under decks shall be maintained free of vegetative material. Fencing material constructed of combustible material shall not be within five (5) feet from any structure. Only low-growing vegetation with high-moisture content, such as flowers and ground covers and green lawns, free of dead vegetative debris, shall be allowed within five (5) feet of any structure.
 - 2. Remove or prune flammable plants and shrubs near windows and under eave vents (a recommended no-planting zone).
 - 3. Clean roofs and gutters of dead leaves, debris, and pine needles. In addition to the management of combustible material around a structure, the following shall be required: 1) Replace or repair any loose or missing shingles or roof tiles to prevent ember penetration. 2) Provide and maintain a screen over the outlet of every chimney or stovepipe that is attached to any fireplace, stove, or other device that burns any solid or liquid fuel. The screen shall be constructed of nonflammable material with openings that are not more than 1/2 inch.
 - 4. Maintain an area adjacent to any structure with a one-hundred (100)-foot fire break made by removing and clearing away all flammable vegetation or other combustible growth from the structure on each side thereof or to the property line, whichever is closer. Within the one hundred (100)-foot fire break: 1) weeds and dry grass shall be required to be mowed to a height of four (4) inches; 2) ladder fuels (vegetation, brush, and small trees under mature trees) shall be removed; 3) trees shall be pruned up to six (6) feet from the ground. For shorter height trees, pruning shall not exceed 1/3 of the overall tree height. Tree placement shall be planned to ensure the mature canopy is no closer than ten (10) feet to the edge of the structure. Trees and shrubs shall be limited to small clusters of a few each to break up the continuity of the vegetation across the landscape. This subsection does not apply to single tree specimens, ornamental shrubbery, or similar plants which are used as ground cover and provided they do

- not form a means of rapidly transmitting fire from the native growth to any building or structure.
- 5. Remove the portion of any tree which extends within ten (10) feet of the outlet of any chimney or stovepipe. Maintain any tree adjacent to or overhanging any structure free of dead and dying wood.
- 6. Clear flammable vegetation on each side of a street or driveway for a horizontal distance of ten (10) feet and a vertical height of fourteen (14) feet. Cut vegetation within ten (10) feet of a street or driveway on the property to four (4) inches above the ground. The Fire Chief, or his or her designee, may require a distance greater than ten (10) feet. This applies to public and private driveway(s) and any public or private streets that border or bisect the property.
- B. No property owner shall permit on improved or unimproved parcel any accumulation of combustible materials, dead, dying, or diseased trees, or green waste within thirty (30) feet of the property line when such accumulation endangers or encroaches on the required Defensible Space for structures or buildings on an adjacent property. The Fire Chief, or his or her designee, may require a distance greater than thirty (30) feet but not to exceed one hundred (100) feet when it is determined that the greater distance is necessary to provide Defensible Space for structures or building on an adjacent property.
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D. In the event, the fire chief, or his or her designee, finds that additional fuel management is necessary to significantly reduce the risk of transmission of flame or heat to adjacent properties and means of egress and ingress, the fire chief, or his or her designee, may mandate fuel modification of an area more or less than the preceding widths or heights of this section.

- E. On and after April 1, 2022, and prior to the transfer of ownership of a parcel from a seller to a buyer, or from one owner to another, the seller or owner shall first obtain a Certificate of Compliance from the Town that the parcel is not in violation of this section prior to the transfer of ownership.
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SECTION 2. Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15308 this ordinance is exempt from CEQA in that it is a Class 8 categorical exemption for actions taken by a regulatory agency to establish procedures for the protection of the environment.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of its passage. Before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage, this ordinance or a summary thereof shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated within the Town of Paradise along with the names of the members of the Town Council of Paradise voting for and against same.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TO	own Council of the Town of Paradise, County of Butte, State of
California, on this day of	2021, by the following vote:
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
	Steve Crowder, Mayor
ATTEST:	, ,
Dina Volenski, Town Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Scott E. Huber, Town Attorney	

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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE Town Council of the Town of Paradise, County of Butte, State of California, on this 14th day of December 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSENT:		
ABSTAIN:		
ATTEST:	, Mayor	
Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Scott E. Huber, Town Attorney		

Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Brian Solecki, Project Manager REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: HMGP CEQA Determinations – Residential Ignition

Resistant Program & Early Warning System

Agenda Item: 2(d)

LONG TERM Yes

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

 Concur with staff recommendation to file CEQA Notices of Exemption for four disaster recovery projects. 1-Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program, 2-Early Warning System, 3-Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project and 4-Category 4 Tree Removal.

Background:

As a component of the Town's ongoing recovery and resiliency efforts, multiple Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) applications were submitted through California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Four of the HMGP applications under review for implementation funding are the Residential Ignition Resistant Program, Early Warning System, Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project and Category 4 Tree Removal Program. The Statement of Work for each project is attached to this Agenda Summary as attachments.

One important task of the project's development is the completion of the environmental review process, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Analysis:

As these projects are proposed to be federally funded, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) applies to the environmental review process. FEMA is serving as the lead agency in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment for NEPA compliance. CEQA, however, remains the Town's responsibility for review. The CEQA process requires the lead agency to examine the project proposals and evaluate potential impacts, similar but different to NEPA. Staff has evaluated each project thoroughly and found these projects to be categorically exempt.

The Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program is categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA 15303 for new construction or conversion of small structures, or 15301(f) for existing facilities. Reasoning for this decision is due to the fact that the subject project only includes eligible improvements to the exterior of existing structures in order to improve fire ignition resistance.

The Early Warning System is statutorily exempt pursuant to CEQA 15269 – Emergency Projects. Reasoning for this decision is due to the fact that the subject project relates to specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

The Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality act (CEQA) requirements under Article 19. Categorical Exemption of the State CEQA Guidelines: Section 15304 - Minor Alterations to land. Additionally, AB 267 – Jan 15, 2021 through 2023 exempts from the requirements of CEQA prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects.

The Category 4 Tree Removal Program is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality act (CEQA) requirements under Article 19. Categorical Exemption of the State CEQA Guidelines: Class 1, 15301 & Class 4 - 15304 for the removal of dead, dying, diseased trees near structures for public health and safety purposes. The project also contains a secondary benefit of reducing forest fuels for forestry and fire hazard reduction purposes.

Staff recommends Council approve the filing of the attached Notices of Exemption for the subjects. If approved, the Town's environmental review phase for these four projects will be complete by January of 2022, concurrent to further review by FEMA and consideration for project funding.

Financial Impact:

There is a recording fee of \$50 per project with the Butte County Recorder's Office to file the Notice of Exemption.

Attachments:

- Residential Ignition Resistant Retrofit Program HMGP Statement of Work
- Early Warning System HMGP Statement of Work
- Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project HMGP Statement of Work
- Category 4 Tree Removal Program HMGP Statement of Work
- Draft CEQA Notice of Exemption Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program
- Draft CEQA Notice of Exemption Early Warning System
- Draft CEQA Notice of Exemption Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project
- Draft CEQA Notice of Exemption Category 4 Tree Removal Program

Scope of Work

Project title: Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program

Disaster number & project number: DR4407 & 0189

Timeframe: 36 months

Background:

This project is split between two phases. Phase one is update protocols for assessing compliance with current codes and standards for structures that survived the Camp Fire. This will, in part, be defined by the Recovery Strategy that was drafted and established in November 2018 comprehensive codes and standards. This phase will also develop the Ignition Resistant Improvements that will be a part of the overall program, along with the priorities of these improvements. In addition, this phase will establish the process required to accept applications, establish priorities and the criteria in accepting applications, and submit approved applications to Cal OES and FEMA for approval of each application.

After the process is developed, the Town would then begin accepting and approval of applications through completion of the actual project. This phase would include outreach to educate the community of the Program, open the application period to receive applications from residents of the Town of Paradise. The Town will vet the applications, prepare a parcel packet that will include a specific scope of work for each property, and then submit each packet to CalOES and FEMA for program eligibility and Environmental & Historic Preservation (EHP) review. This will allow FEMA to determine eligibility and EHP to formally approve and clear each property on a case-by-case basis.

Phase Two: Upon Town receipt of FEMA approval of a property, the Town will notify the homeowner to proceed with the approved scope of work. With FEMA approval and the Town's notification, the application would be approved and the homeowner could begin the work on their residence.

Identified Risk of Wildfire:

Annex E, Sections E.4-E.7 of the Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (Attachment 14I) addresses the hazards and risk to the Town. Wildfire is identified as hazard that <u>Highly Likely</u> for future occurrences, a <u>critical</u> magnitude/severity, and a <u>high</u> significance with a widespread potential impact to the Town. The Town's Annex in the Butte County Hazard Mitigation Plan provides additional detail as to the hazards and risks to life, safety and any improvements to property in the project area. Wildfire is one of the two hazards with a <u>high</u> significance to the Town.

Existing Code, as of November 8, 2019:

WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE FIRE AREA - Paradise is identified by local ordinance as located in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone by the adoption of the 2010 California Building Code per Paradise Municipal Code (PMC) and identified by Cal Fire as a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. (See Attachment 140)

On November 8, 2019, the Town of Paradise adopted the 2019 California Building Standards Code (Title 24, Part 2)based on the 2018 International Building Code (ICC); the 2019 California Residential Code

(Title 24, Part 2.5)based on the 2018 International Residential Code (ICC); the 2019 California Electrical Code (Title 24, Part 3) based on the 2017 National Electrical Code (NFPA); the 2019 California Mechanical Code (Title 24, Part 4) based on the 2018 Uniform Mechanical Code (IAPMO); the 2019 California Plumbing Code (Title 24, Part 5) based on the 2018 Uniform Plumbing Code (IAPMO); the 2019 California Fire Code (Title 24, Part 9) based on the 2018 International Fire Code (IFC); the 2019 California Administrative Code (Title 24, Part 1); the 2019 California Energy Code (Title 24, Part 6); the 2019 California Historical Building Code (Title 24, Part 8); the 2019 California Existing Building Code (Chapter 10; Title 24, Part 10); the 2019 California Green Building Standards Code (Cal Green, Title 24, Part 11) and the 2019 California Referenced Standards Code (Title 24, Part 12). (See Attachment 14p)

These codes and standards became effective on January 1, 2020.

LOCAL AGENCY VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE means an area designated by a local agency upon the recommendation of the CDF Director pursuant to Government Code Sections 51177(c), 51178 and 5118 that is not a state responsibility area and where a local agency, city, county, city and county, or district is responsible for fire protection.

WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE FIRE AREA is a geographical area identified by the state as a "Fire Hazard Severity Zone" in accordance with the Public Resources Code Sections 4201 through 4204 and Government Code Sections 51175 through 51189, or other areas designated by the enforcing agency to be at a significant risk from wildfires.

Ignition Resistant Improvements:

Specific ignition resistant improvements would be eligible for the incentive Program if the mitigation measures meet or exceed the specifications set forth by the Town of Paradise, through the Town's Recovery Strategy and existing codes and standards, and compliant with the Wildfire Urban Interface Standards. The ignition resistant improvements would bring the existing home to the standard of Chapter 7A of the 2019 California Building Code, which is the current Town standard as of 1-1-2020 (See Attachment 14p)

Applicants may have ignition resistant enhancements installed on an existing home. The Program will be limited to \$70,000 per applicant based on specified ignition resistant improvements, such as ignition resistant roofs, permanent foundations for manufactured housing, and fire-resistant windows, for example (Note: The Program limit/household would be re-evaluated and adjusted as needed in Phase I). Each component of the Program would be limited to a dollar figure and each applicant would be limited to the Program limit. For example, if the fire-resistant roof component was limited to \$20,000 and the fire-resistant windows was limited to \$16,000 (as defined in phase 1 of the Program), the applicant could include both components in their application, but the overall limit would be the Program limit of \$70,000 per applicant. As previously addressed, phase 1 would determine the exact limitations and the reimbursement would be based on actual cost up to the Program limit.

The Program would be limited to 100 approved applications in order to complete the program within a three-year time period.

The following is a list of improvements that would be including in the analysis and program development of Phase 1 of this program.

Retro Fit of Existing homes

The Program design is intended to assist homeowners in bringing their homes up to the current Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Area standard. Homes built after 2010 would have been required to meet Chapter 7A of the California Building Code. Homes built prior to 2011 would not have been built to this standard and this program would allow ignition resistant improvements to be made in order to meet or exceed the pre-fire standard. The Town adopted the 2010 California Building Code per Paradise Municipal Code (PMC) and identified by Cal Fire as a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone; effective 1-1-2011 (See Attachment 14o). These improvements include:

- (1) Roof replacement to a Class A standard;
- (2) Siding that meet or exceed the standard of California Residential Code Section R337.7.3 *Exterior Walls*, including siding that is 6" to 12" above grade
- (3) Window improvements that meet or exceed the California Residential Code Section R337.8 Exterior Windows and Doors standard.
- (4) Deck replacement of wood decks to meet or exceed California Residential Code Section R337.9.3 *Decking Surfaces* standard.
- (5) Other similar improvements that refit components to the home to meet or exceed the Chapter 7A of the 2019 California Building Code.

Key Issues of Ignition Resistant Components:

The key issues of the different components are identified in FEMA's Home Builder's Guide to Construction in Wildfire Zones (Attachment 14j). This technical fact sheet clearly identifies roofs as the most vulnerable component of the building envelope in a wildfire because of their horizontal orientation and size. The probability that a home will survive a wildfire is greatly influenced by the components of the roof assembly.

Eaves, overhangs, and soffits can trap windborne embers, convective heat, and radiant heat under overhangs and in the upper portion of exterior walls. Overhangs and walls can ignite if not constructed of noncombustible or fire-resistant materials.

Exterior walls are susceptible to wildfire flames, conductive heat, and radiant heat. Flames and heat can ignite combustible wall coverings. When exterior walls ignite, the fire can spread to other components of the building such as the roof, soffit, windows, and doors, resulting in substantial damage to or total loss of the building.

University of California – Berkley further substantiates this data in their article on *Preparing your Home*. (Attachment 14k) UC Berkley lists Roof, Vents and Vegetation as the number one priority. Decks are the second priority, windows the third, eaves the fourth, and siding the fifth priority.

Defensible Space:

The Program would require the participants to create defensible space around the properties. Town of Paradise has adopted the California fire code SECTION 4906 HAZARDOUS VEGETATION AND FUEL MANAGEMENT. Detailed requirements of defensible space are presented below:

51182. (a) A person who owns, leases, controls, operates, or maintains any occupied dwelling or occupied structure in, upon, or adjoining any mountainous area, forest-covered land, brushcovered land, grass-covered land, or any land that is covered with flammable material, which area or land is within a very high fire hazard severity zone designated by the local agency pursuant to Section 51179, shall at all times do all of the following: (1) Maintain around and adjacent to the occupied dwelling or occupied structure a firebreak made by removing and clearing away, for a distance of not less than 30 feet on each side thereof or to the property line, whichever is nearer, all flammable vegetation or other combustible growth. This paragraph does not apply to single specimens of trees or other vegetation that is well-pruned and maintained to effectively manage fuels and not form a means of rapidly transmitting fire from other nearby vegetation to any dwelling or structure. (2) Maintain around and adjacent to the occupied dwelling or occupied structure additional fire protection or firebreaks made by removing all brush, flammable vegetation, or combustible growth that is located within 100 feet from the occupied dwelling or occupied structure or to the property line, or at a greater distance if required by state law, or local ordinance, rule, or regulation. This section does not prevent an insurance company that insures an occupied dwelling or occupied structure from requiring the owner of the dwelling or structure to maintain a firebreak of more than 100 feet around the dwelling or structure if a hazardous condition warrants such a firebreak of a greater distance. Grass and other vegetation located more than 30 feet from the dwelling or structure and less than 18 inches in height above the ground may be maintained where necessary to stabilize the soil and prevent erosion. This paragraph does not apply to single specimens of trees or other vegetation that is well-pruned and maintained to effectively manage fuels and not form a means of rapidly transmitting fire from other nearby vegetation to a dwelling or structure. (3) Remove that portion of any tree that extends within 10 feet of the outlet of any chimney or stovepipe. (4) Maintain any tree adjacent to or overhanging any building free of dead or dying wood. (5) Maintain the roof of any structure free of leaves, needles, or other dead vegetative growth. (6) Prior to occupying a pre-existing structure damaged by a fire in that zone, the repair of requires a building permit, the owner shall obtain a certification from the local building official that the dwelling or structure, complies with all applicable state and local building standards, including those described in subdivision (b) of Section 51189.

The homeowner that receives benefits from this program will (1) will be required to create defensible space around the properties, and (2) will be subject to all home inspection by the codes enforcement staff on a regular cycle, which will be no less than annually.

The eligibility rules for the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program may include the following guidelines and will be defined in phase one of the Program:

- To be eligible, the ignition resistant improvements must be installed at primary residences and must be installed on property owned by the applicant.
- Apartment complexes, duplexes, and other multi-family residences are not eligible for this
 rebate, as they are considered businesses. This Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement
 Program is for single-family homes only.
- Only single-family residential homeowners are eligible to receive assistance for their primary residence.

- Retrofitting or repairing an existing residence to meet Town specifications is eligible for the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program.
- While the Town does not have 100-year flood zone, if there are homes in a floodplain with flood insurance, those homes may be eligible for the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program. However, these will be presented to FEMA for case-by-case approvals.
- Single family homes that are historic structures may be eligible for the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program. However, FEMA will have to approve each specific situation.
- The applicant must pay the total invoice for the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement
 Program and installation in order to receive reimbursement, as well as provide copies of the
 cleared check or credit card statement.
- The applicant must present the evidence of defensible space around the property in order to receive reimbursement. The defensible space treatment will be the sole responsibility of the homeowners. The Town's inspectors will inspect the properties to make sure the defensible space is maintained properly.

Main Activities:

Phase 1: Project Planning

- 1. The codes and standards in place in November 2018 will be used to determine eligible costs and ignition resistant measures. Homes that will be retrofitted may meet or exceed this standard.
- 2. Risk assessment: Part of Phase 1 will be a risk assessment: The Town will conduct a review of the residential building stock and rank homes that are at greater fire risk. Data that will be used includes year built and types of construction materials. For example, of the 2,019 homes that are standing, 1,006 were built after 2008 when the California Building Standards Commission requirements on WUI and ignition resistant construction standards went into effect. The Town estimates that of the 2019 eligible homes, that roughly 1,100 may be deemed high priority during the risk assessment in Phase 1 Planning. These are stick built or modular single-family homes that survived the Camp Fire.

Standing Single Family Homes built 2011 or later: 39
Standing Single Family Homes built prior to 2011: 1031

Of these homes, the Town estimates that 100 will participate in the initial program. The average square footage of 2000 per home. The Town has varying square footage across housing stock and the average standing home, post Fire, is approximately 1819 square feet.

- 1. Establish the process for application acceptance, approval, reimbursement and closure
 - a. Application acceptance
 - i. The Town will receive the web based application via the portal or paper application.
 - ii. Documentation required will include but is not limited to the following:
 - 1. Acknowledgement of the rules and requirements of the program
 - 2. Repair costs
 - 3. Building plans
 - 4. Insurance documents

- 5. Proof of ownership
- 6. Photos of the property
- iii. The Town of Paradise will use a residential construction expert to review repair plans and costs.
- iv. Duplication of benefits: The Town will develop a consent form, where the property owner must certify whether there are insurance proceeds or other third-party benefits. The consent form will include a clause regarding fraudulent claims, insufficient information and requirement that the homeowners must act in good faith. The property owner must agree to provide documentation of such third-party benefits and to tender any proceeds to FEMA to prevent duplication of benefits. The Town agrees to assist FEMA as FEMA collects any proceeds that may constitute a duplication of benefits.

b. Application review:

- i. The Town Program administrators would vet each application for completeness, viability, adherence to program guidelines, and application compliance.
 - 1. Review Application
 - 2. Review Building plan
 - 3. Validate Property ownership
 - 4. Review property specific contract
- c. Application submission to CalOES and FEMA
 - i. The Town will prepare a package for each approved application, and send the packages to CalOES for their review. As the Town completes property packages and subsequently submits a package of properties to Cal OES on a quarterly basis, this will also be sent directly to FEMA. This will ensure Cal OES is advised of which properties the Town is proceeding with approving retrofits for, while concurrently informing FEMA of the need to begin an Environmental and Historic Preservation review of each submitted property.
 - ii. CalOES will review and send the approved applications to FEMA
 - iii. FEMA will review and notify the Town which properties are approved. FEMA would review each package for program eligibility and Environmental & Historic Preservation (EHP) review. This will allow FEMA to determine eligibility and EHP to formally approve and clear each property on a case-by-case basis.
- d. Notification of approval: Upon receipt of notification from FEMA, the Town will notify the homeowner to proceed with the approved scope of work.
- e. Final Review:
 - Receiving Reimbursement request from residents: Resident submits
 documentation required for reimbursement, including proof of payment,
 invoices, documentation of completed project (i.e. photographs),
 documentation/evidence of defensible space around structure.
 - The Town residential expert to conduct the final inspection of the home to verify completed work and within program guidelines before reimbursing the residents.
- f. Reimbursement and Cost Share:

- i. Based on the successful completion of the Final Review, the homeowner will be reimbursed at 75% of the Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program costs up to the component limit (Federal Share).
- ii. The Non-Federal Share will be reimbursed depending on the final cost share process developed in Phase I. The priorities of funding for the Non-Federal share is (1) CDBG-DR combined with the individual homeowners participating in the program based on eligibility of costs and (2) Town of Paradise General Fund. Therefore, if CDBG-DR is the approved funding source of the homeowner will receive 25% of Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program, costs up to the component limit. If the Town of Paradise is funding the Non-Federal Share (or a portion of the Non-Federal Share) the homeowner will receive 25% of Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program costs up to the component limit. If the Homeowner is funding all of the Non-Federal Share, then no additional funding would be received.
- g. Submission of completed work folder to CalOES for reimbursement.
- 2. Develop homeowner application that includes:
 - a. Town's Application review and approval requirements
 - b. Requirements for property specific scope of work and approved costs
 - c. Documentation requirements (description, photos, contractor proposal)
 - d. Defensible space requirements for approval
 - e. Non-Federal share match requirement
 - f. Town's Final inspection/reimbursement process
- 3. Establish components (i.e. window, siding, roof) component caps
- 4. Develop a contract to be used between the Town and Homeowners
 - a. Town's Application review and Approval Process
 - b. Property specific scope of work and approved costs
 - c. Defensible space requirements
 - d. Non-Federal share match requirement
 - e. Town's Final inspection process
 - f. Town's reimbursement process
- 5. Determine communications strategy for public outreach. The communication strategy is important to the success of the Program and ensuring that residents have a clear understanding of the program requirements, timelines, vetting of applications, program approval process through CalOES and FEMA, approval letter once approval for the property has been granted, and documentation required for reimbursement. The public outreach also includes a training program for contractors to educate contractors about how to invoice.
- 6. Public outreach Implementing communications strategy through community meetings, Town Council Meetings, social media, Town website
- 7. Application Acceptance Methodology of accepting applications, both paper copies and electronic via building resource center, Town Hall, Electronic submissions
- 8. Application review implementing application processing checklist to review each application for completeness, program requirements, and ability to implement
- 9. Preparation of Phase II package and application submission to CalOES and FEMA

- 10. Completion and submission of a Benefit Cost Analysis for the overall project for FEMA review and approval
- 11. Deliverables for this Phase of the Project include:
 - a. Homeowner application
 - b. HMGP Processing Center guide
 - c. Community Outreach Strategy
 - d. Approved ignition resistant improvements and component/program funding limits
 - e. Define defensible Space requirements
 - f. HMGP Info Call Line script
 - g. Non-Federal Cost share process and priorities
 - h. CalOES/FEMA Approval process
 - i. EHP guidelines
 - j. Project Benefit Cost Analysis
 - k. Homeowner applications

Phase 2: Application review and approval and completion of the actual project (see Phase 1.2 for details)

- 1. Notification of approval Letter to homeowner once Phase II is approved by CalOES / FEMA
- 2. Implementation and reimbursement request from residents Review documentation requirements in accordance with approved process
- 3. Final Review of reimbursement request Homeowner's reimbursement request
 - a. Cost share match requirements are met
 - b. Site Inspection: final inspection of ignition resistant improvements and defensible space
- 4. Submission of completed work folder to CalOES for reimbursement
- 5. Drawdown of HMGP funds

Note: in addition to the final inspection, which includes verifying the homeowner meeting defensible space requirements. The Town has an ongoing fuels reduction code enforcement program. The program can include both an inspection and violation notices. Typically, the violation notices are a warning, followed by a fine of \$100, \$200, or \$500)

Cost Share: The Town Council vote for the approval of the matching funds for the cost share on October 8, 2019. The match for this project will come from several sources, which have been prioritized.

- (1) Current State: The Town will match the project management costs and the resident will reimburse the Town for 25% of the cost of ignition resistant incentives.
 - a. Ignition Resistant Incentives: \$8,000,000 * 25% = \$2,000,000 would be funded by the homeowner
 - b. All other project costs: (project management, application intake, processing, etc): \$2,450,712 * 25% = \$612,678 would be funded by the Town
- (2) Ideal State: The Town will be working with HCD on incorporating the Cost Share requirements into the CDBG-DR Action Plan in making the request for the Non-Federal share to be funded by a combination of CDBG-DR funding and homeowner contributions, subject to eligibility of costs for CDBG-DR

Deliverables for this phase include: Parcel packet including scope of work for each property

Note: Please note this sub application does not included the full scope of the Town's need of Ignition Resistant Improvements. If additional funds become available, this project has ability to be increased.

Scope of Work

Project title: Early Warning System

Disaster number & project number: DR4407 & 0358

Timeframe: 25 months

Main activities:

The goal is to install an Early Warning System. This project is identified as a top priority project in the Town's Recovery Plan, which was adopted by the town Council on June 25, 2019. The goal is to design, install, and implement a network of emergency warning systems for the purpose of rapid hazard notification.

The system is intended to provide early detection and rapid notification of impending wildfire and is critical to, among other things, saving lives and property. Wildfires often grow and move rapidly and unpredictably, and relying upon word of mouth, reverse 9-1-1 and public media is inadequate when vulnerable populations must be warned rapidly. For all of these threats and others, having additional methods of alert and notification will greatly increase the chances of alerting the public and allowing the residents of Paradise to seek safety.

The Town was awarded Advanced Assistance for the Early Warning System in the amount of \$39,713 on 08/07/2020 to fully develop the design and implementation plans for installation of the Early Warning System. The Town hired Genasys, Inc to assist in the initial planning, implementation, and development stages of the project. Genasys, Inc prepared a report to address the design and implementation plans for the installation of the Early Warning System.

Statement of Work

Project title: Hazardous Fuels Reduction Program

Disaster number & project number: DR4407 & 0255

Staging area:

The staging area will be where vegetative growth is cleared and mitigated as well as the Public Works Yard. The Public Works Yard is located at 933 American Way, Paradise, CA. The "Green Waste Yard" is adjacent to the Public Works Yard, also located on American Way, Paradise, CA. (39.7371846, - 121.6119643) (See Attachment 5c) Both of these facilities are used for normal Town operations and the Green Waste Yard is operated by Northern Recycling and Waste Services (NRWS) as the provider of waste collection and recycling services throughout the Town.

At the Public Works Yard, any equipment either owned by the Town or leased will be stored when not actively engaged in fuel reduction efforts.

The intent is to dispose of the majority of the vegetative debris at the Green Waste Yard. California Fire (CalFire) has loaned an Air Curtain Burner and CalFire and the Town are experimenting with the use of this equipment. The operational testing of the equipment started on 1-23-2020. If the Air Curtain Burner is not operational, the normal processing of green waste will occur as disposed of by NRWS.

Timeframe: 36 months

Main Activities: In the wake of the most destructive wildfires in California's history, the Town of Paradise will establish a Hazardous Fuels Reduction Program to help protect Town's Right of Ways. The target location would be the Wildland-Urban Interface area which encompasses the entire Town. This includes over 11,500 parcels with an estimated pre-fire population of 26,000.

In the aftermath of the Camp Fire, the fire prevention techniques and mitigation measures are dramatically different. The Town will need to use a combination of mechanical measures and chemical techniques for the clearing brush. The vegetative landscape will be grasses, brush, and small trees as opposed to the pre-fire state of large trees. This change throughout the Town makes this project even more important in creating a program to manage hazardous fuels.

In order to most efficiently manage hazardous fuels, the implementation of this includes the mechanical and chemical reduction of hazardous fuels.

To define the geographic area of this project A geographic of area is limited to Town/public rights-of-way with an average width of 11.5 feet across the Town. The Town plans to reduce hazardous fuels along both sides of the 98.48-mile public roads. The total area of treatment is estimated to be 274.55 acres (11.5 feet * 98.48 miles * 2). The treatment methods will include 1) chipping and mulching grasses and bushes, and 2) spraying herbicide to prevent weeds growth.

The mitigation program will be established in following steps described below:

Project Planning and Scoping

The Town proposes a one-month planning period that is appropriate for the work to be completed (see below):

- 1. Project planning: The Town will adapt the protocol and criteria in place for current fuel reduction activities and code enforcement.
- 2. Preliminary assessments of Town rights of way and determine the action plan to clear and mitigate vegetative growth.
- 3. The assessments will define equipment needs: including sprayers, chippers and masticators in order to execute the project in reducing hazardous fuels.
- 4. Treatment locations identified will be based on pre-approved list from FEMA (please see Attachment 5b Public and Private Roads Dec 2019 w ROW).

Proposed deliverables: Project Plan, updated protocol, final treatment location list

Chipping Activities

- 1. The three-person Hazardous Fuel Reduction team with chippers mounted on excavators to masticate brush and small trees. This crew will have to perform traffic control to restrict the traveling public within the equipment safety zone, and to have onboard water tanks with pumps to extinguish any sparks created during the operations. Low boy trucks and trailers will be needed to transport equipment to daily job sites and return the equipment to shop for fueling and maintenance. The slash and vegetative debris will be disposed of at the Green Waste Yard.
- 2. The intent is to dispose of the majority of the vegetative debris at the Green Waste Yard. California Fire (CalFire) has loaned an Air Curtain Burner and CalFire and the Town are experimenting with the use of this equipment. The operational testing of the equipment started on 1-23-2020. If the Air Curtain Burner is not operational, the normal processing of green waste will occur as disposed of by NRWS.
 A limited amount of vegetative material may be chipped and broadcast in place based on the location of the activity. If space in the area of fuels reduction does not allow for broadcasting in the immediate area, the material will be taken to the Green Waste Yard. If space does allow, the material will be broadcast (i.e. on a hillside or other open area). Material that is not able to be chipped will be taken to the Green Waste Yard, typically greater than approximately 6" Diameter at Breast Height (DBH).

Spraying Activities

 The three-person Hazardous Fuel Reduction team will cease mechanical fuel reduction for several weeks and conduct spraying operations through the Town's rights-of-way to prevent weed growth. This operation will take about 3 weeks per application and be performed twice per year.

Proposed deliverables: Final performance report

Cost Share: The Town Council approved the matching funds for the cost share on October 8, 2019. The match for this project will come from several sources, which have been prioritized.

- (1) Current State: The Town will provide the matching funds.
- (2) Ideal State: The Town will be working with HCD on incorporating the Cost Share requirements into the CDBG-DR Action Plan in making the request for the Non-Federal share to be funded the CDBG-DR.

Scope of Work

Project title: Category 4 Tree Removal

Disaster number & project number: DR4407 & 0305

Timeframe: 36 months

Background:

This proposed project is to remove the standing burnt trees within the Town of Paradise (Category 4 trees) which were burned due to the Camp Fire. This proposed project targets Standing Burnt Trees outside of the scope of the tree removal being reimbursed through Public Assistance. The Public Assistance Program is providing reimbursement for trees that threaten Rights of Ways for eligible roads. No other programs are providing funding to eliminate the risk of the hazard trees that threaten living areas, threaten roads and right of ways not funded through Public Assistance, or reduce the fire hazard that other trees in the "back forty" represent, which is why this this proposed project is so important.

The Camp Fire broke out on November 8, 2018 and has damaged or destroyed nearly 19,000 structures. Most of the structures damaged or destroyed were in the Town of Paradise ("Town"). Paradise is a town of 26,000 people, approximately 90 miles from Sacramento. On November 21, 2018, the fire was 75 percent contained and, on November 25, 2018, the fire reached 100 percent containment after a total of 17 days with most of the damage occurring within the first four hours.

The Camp Fire has been the deadliest and most destructive wildfire in California history to date. It has also been the deadliest wildfire in the United States since the Cloquet fire in 1918, is ranked the sixth among the U.S. deadliest wildfires, and is high on the list of the world's deadliest wildfires. According to the Town's Insurance carrier, the Camp Fire was the world's costliest natural disaster in 2018. The fire covered an area of 153,336 acres (almost 240 sq. miles), destroyed 18,804 structures, and caused at least 86 civilian fatalities.

The economic recovery will be challenging and require a concerted effort in the overall needs of the community in order to rebuild the Town. The ongoing consolidated debris operations are a first step on the road to recovery. In addition, the enormity of the standing burnt trees throughout the town will need to be addressed before rebuilding will be possible.

The Standing Burnt Trees will have significant impact on the economic recovery of the Town to the point of without the removal of these trees, recovery is NOT POSSIBLE. The program's impacts to the economic recovery of the Town are significant and this program will permit the Town to recover from the devastating Camp Fire through mitigating the threat of these hazardous trees. The mitigation measures will reduce the health and safety threat, reduce the risk of infestation of the Bark Beetle, and allow the Town the ability to recover.

The Town has estimated that there are approximately a total of 310,000 Standing Burnt Trees in the Town of Paradise. This figure is based on data collected through assessments by the Butte County Fire Safe Council. This includes the trees in 4 categories.

Categories of trees defined:

- CATEGORY 1: Hazard trees on public property that are a threat to the public ROW/public improved property
- CATEGORY 2: Hazard trees on private property that are a threat to the CalRecycle debris removal effort and/or the CalRecycle crews and the public Right-of-Way.
- CATEGORY 3: Hazard trees on non-PPDR parcel, private property that are a threat to the public Right-of-Way / improved property.
- CATEGORY 4: Hazard trees on private property that constitute a threat to abutting or private property

To date PG&E has removed approximately 95,000 trees that would impact their power lines. This includes trees across all categories of trees but predominately on right of ways.

The scope of the remaining trees is approximately 305,000 across all category of trees.

- This includes roughly 4,700 trees in Category 1 (Hazard trees on public property that are a threat to the public ROW/public improved property)
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 - This includes roughly 4,700 trees in Category 1 (Hazard trees on public property that are a threat to the public ROW/public improved property)
 - Category 2 and 3 trees includes approximately 100,000 trees. These are trees on private property and threaten a Right-of-Way on a public road or a private road that served by Northern Recycling and Waste Services (NRWS). These trees will be eligible under the Public Assistance program.
 - Category 4 trees are very broad range of trees. The category is defined as hazard trees on private property that constitute a fire hazard. This category includes trees that are a threat rights of ways on private roads not served by NRWS, trees that are a threat to living or work areas, and trees on that are on the "back forty" of private property. The "back forty" trees greatly increase the risk of fire in the community as well as greatly increasing the risk of bark beetle infestation. The scope of these trees is an estimated 222,700 trees on the "back forty" of private property.

Disclaimer: Please note this sub application does not include the full scope of the Town's need of tree removal. If additional funds become available, this project has ability to be increased.

The tables below are the estimates of the number of trees that would be Category 4 trees and a graphic/presentation of trees included in the program is included in Section 2 - Scope of Work (Attachment 2a).

			Adjusted	Es	stimated	
	Parcels	Acreage	Acres		Trees	
Not Eligible Parc	els 39	121.01	121.01		3,921	1.8%
Parcels > .75 A	re 3,007	9,007	6,752.22		218,772	98.2%
	3,046	9,128.481	6,873.231		222,693	

Notes:

- (1) "Not Eligible Parcels" is based on current data of eligible parcels in the Public Assistance program, only 39 parcels appear to be not eligible, as January 14, 2020. The 121 acres is the total acres of each of these 39 parcels. This data is subject to change if the Public Assistance eligibility changes.
- (2) Parcels > .75 Acre: This data is summarized from the table below, which is a summary of all parcels in the Town.
- (3) "Adjusted Acres" are all parcels reduced by .75 acres. (i.e. a 1 acre parcel would be adjusted to .25 Acres (1.0 .75 = .25). This is making the generalization that most trees on a .75 parcel will be removed under the Public Assistance program. (See attachment 2a)
- (4) "Estimated Trees" is based on the adjusted acres multiplied by 32.4 trees/acre.

	Parcel Size		Total Acres			Estimated Trees			
	Public	Private	Total Parcel	Public	Private	Total Acres	Public	Private	Total Trees
< .25	1,008	677	1,685	192.7	102.0	294.7	3,468.1	3,304.2	6,772.2
.26 to .50	3,507	1,349	4,856	1,313.4	499.6	1,813.1	42,550.9	16,185.1	58,735.9
.51 to .75	1,373	575	1,948	843.3	347.9	1,191.2	27,320.6	11,268.0	38,588.7
.76 to 1.00	665	332	997	599.0	292.8	891.8	19,404.6	9,483.1	28,887.8
1 to 2	687	447	1,134	949.7	621.1	1,570.8	30,767.3	20,118.7	50,886.1
2 to 5	376	261	637	1,133.2	807.0	1,940.1	36,711.1	26,141.6	62,852.7
5 to 10	81	51	132	576.7	342.0	918.7	18,680.2	11,078.5	29,758.7
> 10	59	48	107	1,973.9	1,712.2	3,686.1	63,950.4	55,470.4	119,420.8
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	67.5%	32.5%							

Main activities:

This project consists of two phases: (1) Kick Off, Intake and assessment and (2) Tree removal.

Phase 1: Kick Off, Intake & Assessment

Kick Off:

- 1. Stand-up team to execute project. Please refer to the Cost Narrative Attachment 8a for proposed FTEs and positions
- 2. Further define the scope the universe of trees and evaluation of any trees on private property that remain unfunded through the Public Assistance Program
- 3. Outline program guidelines and framework to include procedures consistent with Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations: Emergency Management and Assistance, a process to verify that trees targeted for removal are not supported by Public Assistance or other sources of funding. This includes a duplication of benefits review.
- 4. Establish priorities and acceptance criteria: establish priorities to make sure that trees with higher risk to public safety are removed first due to the limited resources. Depending on the Standing Burnt Trees approved through Public Assistance, the following priorities are anticipated: (1) Right of Way Trees, (2) Living/Work Areas, (3) Fuel reduction.
- 5. Determine communication strategy and registration: select communication channels to make sure the project is communicated effectively to the public including website, Social media, community outreach meetings, Town Council, and Town's Building Resource Center. This process would be similar to the established processes for the Public Assistance program.
- 6. Design application and registration intake process: create application forms, finalize ROE, print physical copies to distribute at the Town Hall, and create online application portal on Town of Paradise's website. Attachment 2b provides additional detail.

Public Outreach:

- 7. Public outreach channels: Town Hall meetings, Town Council, website, social media, Town's Building Resource Center
- 8. HMGP Phone Line Phone line for questions / information / application strategy

Application Intake & Review:

- 9. Conduct ongoing reviews throughout the period of performance
- 10. Channels: Web-based and physical application at Town Hall
- 11. Required documents:
 - Completed application
 - Right to Enter (ROE)
 - i. Insurance claim requirements
 - ii. Duplication of Benefits requirements
 - iii. Terms on payment and invoicing including timeframe for payment
 - Insurance policy
 - Verification of ownership
 - Gov't Identification
 - Indemnification
- 12. Review application / Processing for completeness
 - Review ROE

- Verify property ownership / APN
- Review insurance documentation
- Review Trust of LLC Documents
- Follow up with applicants regarding missing information
- 13. Track application status
- 14. Review consent form regarding duplicate of benefits
- 15. Reporting on Progress critical items are ROE received, property assessment, scheduled for tree removal, removal completed

Arborist's Assessment:

- 16. Utilizing an arborist is consistent with the method Category 1 trees were assessed. Upon receipt and review of an eligible application, the arborist will conduct an assessment of the Homeowner's property. This also promotes efficiency as the arborist will conduct geo-coding and assessments simultaneously.
- 17. Geo-coding of burnt trees
 - Verification of the hazardous trees to the parcel of land
 - Documenting work performed on each parcel
- 18. Assessment of burnt trees
 - Tree species
 - Diameter Breast Height (DBH) of trees
 - Proposed removal methods
- 19. Prioritization of burnt trees
 - Burnt trees will be prioritized on a dynamic, rolling basis, based on applications in process and surveys conducted
 - Prioritization of burnt trees will be informed by other available funding sources, such as public Assistance
- 20. Submit to Cal OES / FEMA
- 21. Obtain approval of arborist report for eligibility
- 22. EHP requirements / obtain approval
- 23. Approval and notice to proceed with tree removal
 - Arborist assessments of the Homeowner's parcel will serve as inputs to the preparation of invoices. Invoices for the Non-Federal share of the tree removal cost per tree will be sent to the Applicants

Proposed deliverables:

- Draft RFPs
 - Arborist for property assessment
 - Vendors for tree removal
 - Project monitors
 - Debris monitoring

- Processes and procedures
 - Right-of-Entry;
 - HMGP processing center checklist;
 - duplication of benefits check;
- Finalized list of parcels
- Documented assessment in arborist report with photos of trees per parcel
- Parcel Packet that contains application documentation (ROE, Validation checklist, Insurance,
 Proof of ownership, parcel diagram of trees that will be removed, invoices)
- Outreach materials
 - One-pager
 - Community meeting presentation
 - Call center log
- Completed application review documentation
- List of homeowners
- Application tracker
- Progress reports

Phase 2: Tree Removal

Tree Removal

1. Tree Removal

a. After obtaining the approvals and verifying availability of funding, issue notice to proceed to vendor to remove trees. Tree removal contractor will be tasked for removal of the eligible trees, which is consistent with how burnt tree removal has been performed to date in the Town and the County.

2. Monitoring

- a. The tree removal activities will be monitored by a project monitor and Environmental Biologist. Both of these functions are consistent with the Cal OES program. The project monitor will be monitoring the Tree Removal contractor, removal of the trees, and the appropriate documentation. These functions are identical to the functions of the Public Assistance Debris Monitor. The Environmental Biologist will be monitoring for and meeting the compliance requirements of the Endangered Species Act as related law and regulation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).
- b. FEMA requires the Applicant to monitor all contracted debris operations to document this information and ensure that its contractor removes eligible debris. If the Applicant does not monitor contracted debris removal operations, it will jeopardize its PA funding for that work. Eligible activities associated with debris monitoring include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Field supervisory oversight
 - ii. Monitoring contracted debris removal at both the loading and disposal sites
 - iii. Compiling documentation, such as load tickets and monitor reports, to substantiate eligible debris
 - iv. Training debris monitors on debris removal operations, monitoring responsibilities and documentation processes, and FEMA debris eligibility criteria

c. To address the environmentally sensitive work within the project, we will handle NEPA compliance similar to Cal OES through a number of biological monitors to develop best practices for aquatic and animal species, watercourses, and habitat where the felling of trees may pose a threat. These best practices will be a part of the Environmental Protection Plan and coordinated with Cal OES. The Plan includes a set of mitigations where biological monitors may be involved in reviewing and/or deciding strategies and tactics to remove standing burnt trees from environmentally sensitive areas.

Final Inspection:

3. Final inspection on whether the trees have been removed according to the guidelines

Proposed deliverables: Final progress report

Cost Share: The Town Council vote for the approval of the matching funds for the cost share on October 8, 2019. The match for this project will come from several sources, which have been prioritized.

- (1) Current State: The Town will match the project management and arborist costs and the resident will reimburse the Town for 25% of the cost of removing trees.
 - a. Tree Removal Costs: \$7,260,000 * 25% = \$1,815,000 would be funded by the homeowner
 - b. All other project costs: \$4,487,128 * 25% = \$1,121,782 would be funded by the Town
- (2) Funding Alternative One: The Town will be working with HCD on incorporating the Cost Share requirements into the CDBG-DR Action Plan in making the request for the Non-Federal share to be funded the CDBG-DR. If the Non-Federal share is funded through CDBG-DR, this would alleviate the Town's and the Homeowner's cost share.
- (3) Alternative Two: The Town will be working with other funding mechanisms to fund the Non-Federal Share.

Notice of Exemption To: Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 (Address) Sacramento, CA 95814 Paradise, CA 95969 x County Clerk County of Butte Project Title: Residential Ignition Resistant Improvement Program Project Location – Specific: Town of Paradise Town Limits Project Location – City: Paradise Project Location – County: Butte **Description of Project:** The Program design is intended to assist homeowners in bringing their homes up to the current Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Area standard. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Paradise Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Paradise Exempt Status: (check one) ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Sec. 15303 and/or 15301(f) Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Reasons why project is exempt: The subject project only includes eligible improvements to the exterior of existing structures in order to improve fire ignition resistance. **Lead Agency** Contact Person: Brian Solecki Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 872-6291 x165 If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. 2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? \square Yes \square No Signature: _____ Date: ____ Title: ____ X Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: Signed by Applicant

Notice of Exemption To: Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 (Address) Sacramento, CA 95814 Paradise, CA 95969 x County Clerk County of Butte Project Title: Town of Paradise – Early Warning System Project Location – Specific: Town of Paradise Town Limits Project Location – City: Paradise Project Location – County: Butte **Description of Project:** The project will install and implement a network of emergency warning systems for the purpose of rapid hazard notification. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Paradise Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Paradise Exempt Status: (check one) ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: X Statutory Exemptions. State code number: CEQA Sec. 15269 Reasons why project is exempt: The subject project relates to specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. **Lead Agency** Contact Person: Brian Solecki Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 872-6291 x165 If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. 2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? \square Yes \square No Signature: _____ Date: ____ Title: ____ X Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: Signed by Applicant

Notice of Exemption To: Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 (Address) Sacramento, CA 95814 Paradise, CA 95969 x County Clerk County of Butte Project Title: Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project Project Location – Specific: Town of Paradise Town Limits Project Location – City: Paradise Project Location – County: Butte **Description of Project:** The Town of Paradise will establish a Hazardous Fuels Reduction Program to help protect Town's Right of Ways. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Paradise Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Paradise Exempt Status: (check one) ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Sec. 15304 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Reasons why project is exempt: The subject project only includes minor alterations of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. Additionally, AB 267 – Jan 15, 2021 through 2023 exempts from the requirements of CEQA prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects. **Lead Agency Contact Person:** Brian Solecki Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 872-6291 x165 If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. 2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? \square Yes \square No Signature: ______ Date: _____ Title: _____ X Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: Signed by Applicant

Notice of Exemption To: Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) Town of Paradise 5555 Skyway 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 (Address) Sacramento, CA 95814 Paradise, CA 95969 x County Clerk County of Butte Project Title: Category 4 Tree Removal Program Project Location - Specific: Town of Paradise Town Limits Project Location – City: Paradise Project Location – County: Butte **Description of Project:** This proposed project is to remove standing burnt trees within the Town of Paradise (Category 4 trees) which were burned due to the Camp Fire. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Paradise Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Paradise Exempt Status: (check one) ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Class 1 - 15301, Class 4 - 15304 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Reasons why project is exempt: The subject project only includes removal of dead, dying, diseased trees for public health and safety purposes. Contains a secondary benefit of reducing forest fuels for forestry and fire hazard reduction purposes. Additionally, AB 267 - Jan 15, 2021 through 2023 exempts from the requirements of CEQA prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects. **Lead Agency** Contact Person: <u>Brian Solecki</u> Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 872-6291 x165 If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. 2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No Signature: _____ Date: ____ Title: ____ X Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: Signed by Applicant

Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

Agenda Item: 2(e)

ORIGINATED BY: Brian Solecki, Project Manager REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: CEQA Determination – Butte Fire Safe Council Fuels

Reduction Grazing Project

LONG TERM Yes

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

 Concur with staff recommendation to file CEQA Notice of Exemption for the Butte Fire Safe Council Fuel Reduction Grazing Project

Background:

As a component of the Town's ongoing recovery and resiliency efforts, the Town of Paradise is serving as the environmental lead agency for various fire hazard reduction efforts administered by the Butte Fire Safe Council. Specifically, the Fire Safe Council is working on a program to assist with fuels reduction efforts on private property through typical means and methods in addition to goat grazing on select parcels.

The Butte Fire Safe Council Fuel Reduction Grazing Project Statement of Work, map of parcels and a parcel list is included with this Agenda Summary as Attachment 1.

One important task of the project's development is the completion of the environmental review process, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Analysis:

The CEQA process requires the lead agency to examine the project proposals and evaluate potential impacts. Town of Paradise staff have reviewed the project, along with its environmental setting, and has determined it to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality act (CEQA) requirements under Article 19. Categorical Exemption of the State CEQA Guidelines: Section 15304 - Minor Alterations to land.

Staff recommends Council approve the filing of the attached Notice of Exemption for the subject. If approved, the environmental review phase for this portion of the fuels reduction project will be complete by January of 2022 and grazing can occur on the selected properties

Financial Impact:

There is a recording fee of \$50 per project with the Butte County Recorder's Office to file the Notice of Exemption.

Attachments:

- BCFSC Goat Grazing Fuels Reduction Project Statement of Work
- Map of Parcels for grazing
- APN List of Parcels for grazing

Notice of Exemption

Scope of Work

Project Title: Town of Paradise/Butte Fire Safe Council Goat Grazing Fuels

Reduction Project

Project Number: 5GG18102

Timeline: 36 Months

Background:

As a component of the Town's ongoing recovery and resiliency efforts, the Town of Paradise is serving as the environmental lead agency for various fire hazard reduction efforts administered by the Butte Fire Safe Council. Specifically, the Fire Safe Council is working on a program to assist with fuels reduction efforts on private property through typical means and methods in addition to goat grazing on select parcels.

Identified Risk of Wildfire:

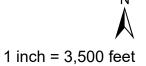
Annex E, Sections E.4-E.7 of the Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (Attachment 14I) addresses the hazards and risk to the Town. Wildfire is identified as hazard that Highly Likely for future occurrences, a critical magnitude/severity, and a high significance with a widespread potential impact to the Town. The Town's Annex in the Butte County Hazard Mitigation Plan provides additional detail as to the hazards and risks to life, safety and any improvements to property in the project area. Wildfire is one of the two hazards with a high significance to the Town.

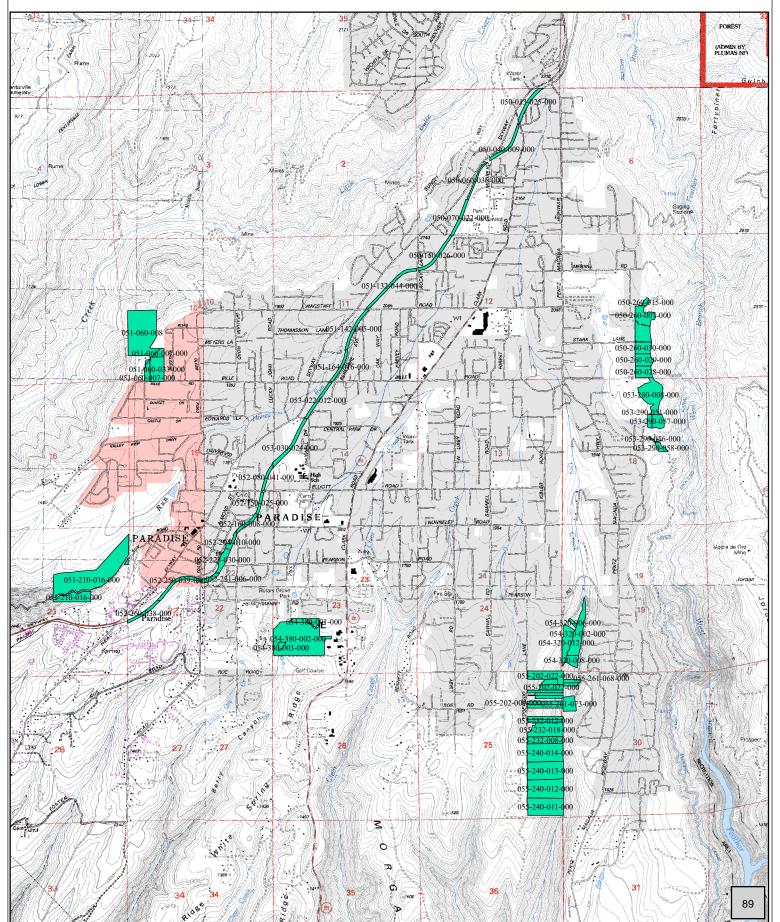
Scope of Work:

The purpose of the project is to continue targeted goat grazing as a vegetation treatment in high fire danger locations, specifically identified in Attachment, consistent with the goals of the Community Long Term Recovery Plan and County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Goat herds of 400 to 1200 animals will be used to graze on vegetation up to 6 feet above the ground. Goat grazing as a vegetation treatment focuses on selectively removing understory trees and brush to reduce fire hazards, improve tree growth, and increase forest health and resilience. It is an ideal treatment method on steep terrain and creates a desirable vertical separation between the canopy and ground cover.

Paradise Fuels Reduction Phase I Location Map Legend







APN	Owner	
050-013-025-000	Town of Paradise	
050-040-009-000	Town of Paradise	
050-060-036-000	Town of Paradise	
050-070-022-000	Town of Paradise	
050-150-026-000	Town of Paradise	
050-260-007-000	Baker Living Trust	
050-260-015-000	Sonntag Family Living Trust	
050-260-028-000	Ingoglia Joseph & Arlene Trust	
050-260-029-000	Anderson Douglas & Sondra Family Trust	
050-260-030-000	Anderson Douglas & Sondra Family Trust	
051-060-007-000	Paradise Recreation & Park District	
051-060-008	Paradise Recreation & Park District	
051-060-033-000	Paradise Recreation & Park District	
051-132-044-000	Town of Paradise	
051-142-005-000	Town of Paradise	
051-164-016-000	Skyway Value LLC	
051-210-016-000	Horning, M	
052-080-041-000	Town of Paradise	
052-150-025-000	Town of Paradise	
052-160-008-000	Town of Paradise	
052-204-010-000	Town of Paradise	
052-223-030-000	Town of Paradise	
052-231-006-000	Town of Paradise	
052-250-039-000	Town of Paradise	
052-260-038-000	Town of Paradise	
053-022-012-000	Town of Paradise	
053-030-024-000	Town of Paradise	
053-280-008-000	McNally Benoit Family Trust	
053-290-051-000	Ralston Living Trust	

053-290-056-000	Ralston, Cheryl
053-290-057-000	Ralston Living Trust
053-290-058-000	Henley Family Trust
054-090-047-000	Utley, Michael
054-320-002-000	Wilson Roy & Patricia Harrington Living Trus
054-320-006-000	Sampson Shane & Aimee Living Trust
054-320-008-000	Olson Paul & Marcia Revocable Living Trust
054-320-012-000	Nivek Trust
054-380-001-000	Paradise Community Village
054-380-002-000	Paradise Youth and Family Center
054-380-003-000	Balsiger Jane etal
055-202-005-000	Franks Lynnette Revocable Living Trust
055-202-009-000	Biegler Larry & Alysia
055-202-010-000	Lorenz Family Trust
055-202-013-000	Shy, Adam & Elizabeth
055-202-021-000	Jones, Bruce
055-202-022-000	Williams Family Bypass Trust
055-202-024-000	Hixon, Dawn
055-202-027-000	Hernandez, Eric etal
055-232-004-000	Randall, Lonnie & Brigitte
055-232-008-000	Giralco, Joseph
055-232-012-000	Ernest, Susan Living Trust
055-232-018-000	Jarocki, Curtis & Shauna
055-240-011-000	Parras Gift Trust
055-240-012-000	Colvin, Joshua
055-240-013-000	Fallon, Mark & Catherin
055-240-014-000	Craft, Kenneth & Virginia
055-261-068-000	Strishak, Adam
055-261-069-000	Giebel, Aaron etal
055-261-073-000	Roberts, David & Misook

065-510-001-000	Paradise Recreation & Park District

To: \square Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) Town of Paradise 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 5555 Skyway Sacramento, CA 95814 (Address) Paradise, CA 95969 X County Clerk County of Butte **Project Title:** Town of Paradise/Butte Fire Safe Council Goat Grazing Project **Project Location – Specific:** Select Parcels (Map & APNs Attached) within Town of Paradise Town Limits **Project Location – County:** Butte **Project Location – City:** Paradise **Description of Project:** The purpose of the project is to continue targeted goat grazing as a vegetation treatment in high fire danger locations, specifically identified and consistent with the goals of the Community Long Term Recovery Plan and County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Paradise Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Paradise **Exempt Status:** (check one) ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); [X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Sec. 15304 ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: **Reasons why project is exempt:** Town of Paradise has reviewed the project, along with its environmental setting, and has determined it to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality act (CEQA) requirements under Article 19. Categorical Exemption of the State CEQA Guidelines: Section 15304 - Minor Alterations to land. Lead Agency Contact Person: Brian Solecki Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 872-6291 If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding. 2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? \square Yes \square No Signature: _____ Date: ____ Title: ____ Date received for filing at OPR: X Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Notice of Exemption

Town of Paradise



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 21, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Susan Hartman, Community Development

Director – Planning & Wastewater

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance Exceptions

Committee Applications - 1446 Sleepy Hollow Ln &

Agenda Item: 2(f)

5237 Rosehill Rd

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

 Concur with the recommended approvals provided by Exceptions Committee Members Culleton & Jones; AND

- Authorize staff to accept and process Temporary Use Permit applications from the applicants. OR
- 3. Provide alternative direction to town staff.

Background:

At the September 14, 2021 Town Council meeting, the Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance was amended to include the formation of an "Exceptions Committee" comprised of two Town Council members to review applications for exceptions to the urgency ordinance due to extraordinary circumstances. At the November 9, 2021 Town Council meeting, the application standards and general format was reviewed and approved by Council.

In November, two (2) exceptions applications were received for consideration by Exception Committee Members Culleton & Jones. They were:

1446 Sleepy Hollow Ln – applicant was living with his elderly parents, acting as a caregiver, and since their subsequent passing, has inherited the property on which he has resided in an RV since right after the fire. Due to the timing/delay of the estate transfer from parents to son, the applicant was unable to secure a Temporary Use Permit while they were still available to apply for (without a rebuild permit having been issued) because the property was still in his deceased parent's names.

5237 Rosehill Rd – applicant was also living with parents, who have passed away post-fire, and only came into property title afterwards (for another lot in town). Unable to secure a Temporary Use Permit previously because he did not own the property at time of fire. Applicant is currently working towards the use of a mastered building plan through the Rebuild Paradise Foundation.

Analysis:

Both sites have been subject to code enforcement notices and citations for occupied RVs without the required Temporary Use Permit. However, short of not being tied to electrical service (you cannot get an electrical permit without the Temporary Use Permit), the sites were not being cited for any other heath and safety concerns, just for not having the TUP. Both Exceptions Committee members have made field visits and agree that the properties are being maintained appropriately.

Attached with this council agenda summary for your consideration and recommended concurrence are the Exceptions Committee applications for 1446 Sleepy Hollow Ln and 5237 Rosehill Rd, both of which are recommended for approval by Committee Members Culleton & Jones. When the applicants follow through with application and payment of the Temporary Use Permit (if authorized by the Town Council through this agenda item), both sites will be required to secure electrical permits for electrical service connections and Rosehill Rd will have the 2nd RV verified as storage-only. The TUPs will be effective for the duration of the urgency ordinance, currently April 30, 2023, subject to on-going compliance with all health and safety standards or until the rebuilt house is finaled if the construction permit is issued prior to the expiration of the urgency ordinance.

Financial Impact:

Costs of staff time processing the Temporary Use Permit applications are recovered through the Council-adopted application fee.

TOWN OF PARADISE

Development Services Department 6295 Skyway, Paradise CA 95969

Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance Exceptions Committee Permit Application Form

Applicant Name: DAN MILLER
Owner Name (if different):
Mailing Address: P.O. BOX 1831 PARADISE CA. 95967
Email Address:Phone No. (530) 809 - 6346
Property Address: 1446 SLEEPY HOLLOW LAWE PARADISE CA 95969
After the Camp Fire, has there been an occupied RV on the property? Yes 区 No 口 If "No", stop — you do not qualify to file an application. If "Yes", please answer the following:
 Did you have a Temporary Use Permit to occupy an RV on that site? Yes □ No ☒
 Have you been issued a Notice of Violation or Administrative Citation? Yes ☒, No □
Are you currently complying with the following <u>required standards</u> of the Urgency Ordinance?
1) Property owner owned the property at time of the Camp Fire. Yes □ No 区域
 Occupant(s) of the RV were Town residents who were displaced by the Camp Fire (proof of residency required). Yes ☒ No ☐
3) There is only <u>one</u> temporary dwelling that is an RV or movable tiny house <u>licensed by DMV</u> . Yes ☑ No □
4) RV and cargo container comply with all required setbacks (property line, road, septic tank, easement, etc.). Yes ☑ No □
5) RV is connected to a functioning septic system (not a porta-potty). Yes ☒, No ☐
6) RV is connected to a power pole/pedestal and inspected electrical service hookup (not a generator). Yes □ No ☒.
7) RV is connected to PID, a water well, or potable water holding tank. Yes 🗵 No 🗆
8) Site is served by NRWS for solid waste collection. Yes ☒ No ☐
9) Paradise Municipal Codes relating to maintenance of residential property: Is the property complying with defensible space? Yes 內 D Are there inoperable/unregistered or wrecked/dismantled vehicles? Yes D No 区 Is there outdoor junk, broken or discarded household appliances? Yes D No 区
If you are not complying with one or more of the above listed requirements of the Urgency Ordinance,

The only reason I don't have a temp use permit

please explain why (attach additional sheets, if needed):

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Why are you currently not rebuilding?

- trees Balling onto my lot one after another after another problem solved only last week another - waiting Bar PG+E payout

What is your timeline for rebuilding?



Please explain why you are requesting an exception to the Urgency Ordinance (attach additional sheets, if needed):

need more time. (see atlachment)

If approved, you be required to respond to a quarterly questionnaire regarding your progress towards rebuilding.

I HEREBY DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE, ACCURATE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Applicant's Signature Oan Miller	Date_	11/23/2021
		1.01
Property Owner's Signature Oan Miller		Date 11/23/2021

regarding the property at 1446 SLEEPY HOLLOW LANE
DAN MILLER

my dad bruilt the house that brussed down in 1959, when I was 3 years old.

A moved brack 5 years before the fire to alp my mom + dad out with rent money and as their care toker, Dast them set day of the fire, my mom passed away 20 days after the fire.

On DEC 28 2018 my 91 year old father and D mard back on the property in a travel trailer way before the clean up.

a year later & moved my dad to my oisters have she bought in Orland. He passed away 9 months later.

Then D tried to get a temp use permit but they would not accept my application because I could not put my dads signifuse on it ever though A had death cartificates

and a copy of the will.

about 6 months?) later it was officially
my property but they had stopped the Temp
use pens permits.

No Ive only been locking at a reliable for severally for about 6-9 months

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Due been waiting for a PEHE payout, they allroady gove me \$35,000, and promised 70,000.80 mare I have \$200,000, towards a reliable (mangufactured dause), with the should be enough but \$10,000 more will make it a lot easyier to do. The other slow down has been dead these Balling onto my lot from the neighbors property. I couldn't work on the property line or the septic inspection, It was to dangerous, But that problem is solved just last week The dead trees are finally down wow, D need a temp use permit, Don miller

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Code E	inforcement verification of currently occupied RVs:				
1)	Property owner owned at time of fire:				
	■ Verified				
	Non-compliant: Owned by Richard and Georgia Miller				
2)	RV occupants are displaced residents:				
	Verified Lipsble to verify no proof submitted				
_	Non-compliant: Unable to verify - no proof submitted				
3)	One RV/tiny home that is DMV registered:				
	■ Verified				
	Non-compliant:				
4)	Complies with setbacks:				
	■ Verified				
-\	Non-compliant:				
5)	Connected to functioning septic system:				
	■ Verified				
C \	Non-compliant:				
6)	Connected to pedestal/pole with inspected electrical service: Uverified				
	■ Non-compliant: no power connected				
71	Water connection:				
/)	■ Verified				
	□ Non-compliant:				
8)	Active NRWS service:				
0)	■ Verified				
	□ Non-compliant:				
9)	Property maintenance:				
3,	■ Verified				
	□ Non-compliant:				
Additio	onal notes: An owner authorization would be required to be on the property				
	title is not transfered to applicant or probate documentation, if the estate has				
bee	n settled, showing the applicant as the trustee for the estate.				
ALL AF	PROVALS ISSUED WITH CONDITIONS WILL BE GIVEN A 30-DAY DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE				
	ETON: JONES:				
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•	prove Approve Conditions of approval.				
	itions of approval: Conditions of approval:				
AS IO	ng as we can verify he owns it Electrical service required.				





TOWN OF PARADISE

Development Services Department 6295 Skyway, Paradise CA 95969

Interim Housing Urgency Ordinance Exceptions Committee Permit Application Form

Applicant Name: Stanton R. Anderson
Owner Name (if different):
Mailing Address: 5237 Rose Hill rd. Paradise Ca, 95969
Property Address: 5237 Rose Hill rd
After the Camp Fire, has there been an occupied RV on the property? Yes ☑ No ☐ If "No", stop – you do not qualify to file an application. If "Yes", please answer the following:
 Did you have a Temporary Use Permit to occupy an RV on that site? Yes □ No ☒
 Have you been issued a Notice of Violation or Administrative Citation? Yes ∇ No □
 Are you currently complying with the following <u>required standards</u> of the Urgency Ordinance?
1) Property owner owned the property at time of the Camp Fire. Yes \(\sigma\) No \(\sigma\)
2) Occupant(s) of the RV were Town residents who were displaced by the Camp Fire (proof
of residency required). Yes ☑ No □ 3) There is only <u>one</u> temporary dwelling that is an RV or movable tiny house <u>licensed by DMV</u> . Yes □ No ☒ IF ONE and only ONE is standard - I can fix this
4) RV and cargo container comply with all required setbacks (property line, road, septic tank, easement, etc.). Yes ✓ No □
5) RV is connected to a functioning septic system (not a porta-potty). Yes ☑ No □
7) RV is connected to PID, a water well, or potable water holding tank. Yes 🗷 No 🗆
8) Site is served by NRWS for solid waste collection. Yes 🗷 No 🗆
9) Paradise Municipal Codes relating to maintenance of residential property:
■ Is the property complying with defensible space? Yes ☑ No ☐
 Are there inoperable/unregistered or wrecked/dismantled vehicles? Yes \(\simega\) No \(\simega\) Is there outdoor junk, broken or discarded household appliances? Yes \(\simega\) No \(\simega\)
If you are not complying with one or more of the above listed requirements of the Urgency Ordinance, please explain why (attach additional sheets, if needed):
Ocioinally often the firm T succhased an RV to live in
in 2019 - November - my Mother possed remay and I
Inherrited the tous behind trailer from her. I currently
occupy this trailer, I'm using my first RV as a
In 2019 - November - my Mother passed away and I Inherrited the tow behind trailer from her. I currently occupy this trailer. I'm using my first RV as a safe I Dry storage unit. * Refer to second sheet/page 103

* Re: RV power connection:

Ive just moved onto this lot about 2 mo. ago.

Im currently and actively working on the building permit requirements so PGBE can hook up to a power pedistal.

* Re: Property owned during Campfire:

No, this lot was purchased after my step-father John Van Order committed suicide after my mothers passing to past away. I year after my mothers passing to be exact. John and I Lived together on his property 1808 Rock House Ln. He had purchased a manufactured home. After his death the house and everything else was inherritted by HIS son. I tried to negotiate a price but at the end of all the heart-ache I was kicked to the curb/Evicted essentially. It was my childhood property. deciding what to do next, my childhood property in paradise - to support my I chose to stay in paradise - to support my HOME TOWN. I purchased 5237 Rose Hill rd and moved the few remaining things I had. Focusing on the positivity of a new beginning. One day to own a home and start a family.

Survey - not complete but will be scheduled by wednesday 11/17/21

Septic - Completed - passed.

NRWS - completed, every monday the yard waste can is full because I support a fire safe perimeter. Plus a good looking yard.

PID - Completed - Installed water main. with spicket.

Job - O'Reilly Autoparts. Employed late 2014

been here ever since
current position: Commercial Manager

- taking care of all Paradise & Magalia

Automotive Service Shops. Full time.

PGE - filed have not recieved any preliminary Lawsuit - filed have not recieved any preliminary payment, when I do it will be going towards the new property & house.

blue Submitted for Hope house 3 and Prints - 2 car garage. From Rebuilding paradise.org 1120 sq. ft. + garage - awaiting survey. Why are you currently not rebuilding?

Im going as time lue lived in the stairca house. I am r this time since	fast as	financial	ly able -	to. In the	short
time Ive lived	here al.	have co	om pleted	many ?	steps
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house. I am r	-ebuilding -	I Jast	navent	nad	
this time sind	2018 to	start.	Purchased	10147	Months
					dgo.

What is your timeline for rebuilding?

by the end	of 202;	3 ill have stick built	a 2 bedroom home already
in the work	s and	process for	6 Lucprints with
rebuilding para	dise org	,,,	

Please explain why you are requesting an exception to the Urgency Ordinance (attach additional sheets, if needed):

Im actively and as quick as post to meet all requirements. I wish it all done tool I am here. I st town thrue thick and thin. I was at O'Reilly Autoparts since 2 with the community. Im a good a goal of having a home to family. Ive been here 2 months, more time and thats all Im a thrue allot SINCE the fire, and so most definitly pay off. I LOVE	Start a lineed a bit sking, lue been
most definitly page off. I LOVE	PARADISE

If approved, you be required to respond to a quarterly questionnaire regarding your progress towards rebuilding.

I HEREBY DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE, ACCURATE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

Applicant's Signature Steet Clerk Pate 11/12/21

Property Owner's Signature Steet Clerk Date 11/17/

FOR TOWN USE ONLY

Code Enforcement verification of currently occupied RVs: 1) Property owner owned at time of fire: ☐ Verified Non-compliant: Stanton Anderson bought the property 7/15/2021 2) RV occupants are displaced residents: ☐ Verified □ Non-compliant: Unable to verify - no proof submitted 3) One RV/tiny home that is DMV registered: ☐ Verified ■ Non-compliant: 2 RVs on site, Expired CA license plates 4) Complies with setbacks: ■ Verified ☐ Non-compliant: 5) Connected to functioning septic system: ☐ Verified Non-compliant: 1 RV connected 6) Connected to pedestal/pole with inspected electrical service: ☐ Verified ■ Non-compliant: no power connected 7) Water connection: ■ Verified ☐ Non-compliant: 8) Active NRWS service: ■ Verified ☐ Non-compliant: 9) Property maintenance: ■ Verified □ Non-compliant: Additional notes: ALL APPROVALS ISSUED WITH CONDITIONS WILL BE GIVEN A 30-DAY DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE **CULLETON:** JONES: ☐ Deny ☐ Deny **■** Approve **■** Approve Conditions of approval: Conditions of approval: Verify 2nd RV is storage only Electrical service required.







Council Agenda Summary

Agenda Item: 2(g)

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Ross Gilb, Finance Director / Town Treasurer

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: CalOES Authorized Agent Resolution Update

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 21-___, A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Paradise authorizing agents to execute an application with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for obtaining certain federal financial assistance.

Background:

Recent changes to the titles of certain positions as a result of the adoption of the FY 2021-22 Operating and Capital Budget require the creation of a resolution to update the Town's authorized agents with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES). The Town of Paradise, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, may authorize its agent(s) to provide to Cal OES for all matters pertaining to such state disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required.

An application updating the Town's authorized agents must then be filed with Cal OES for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act.

Analysis:

Currently Authorized Agents include:

- Town Manager
- Administrative Services Director
- Disaster Recovery Director

Due to changes in position titles, the recommended Authorized Agents will include:

- Town Manager
- Finance Director
- Recovery & Economic Development Director

The resolution is universal and is effective for all open and future disasters up to three (3) years following the date of approval.

Financial Impact:

Adoption of the attached resolution does not result in a cost to the Town of Paradise.

TOWN OF PARADISE RESOLUTION 21-

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE AUTHORIZING AGENTS TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR OBTAINING CERTAIN FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1:</u> That the Town Manager, the Finance Director, and the Recovery and Economic Development Director are hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Town of Paradise, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, this application and to file it with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for the purpose of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act.

<u>Section 2:</u> That the Town of Paradise, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, hereby authorizes its agent(s) to provide to the governor's Office of Emergency Services for all matters pertaining to such state disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required.

<u>Section 3:</u> This is a universal resolution and is effective for all open and future disasters up to three (3) years following the date of approval below.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE THIS 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2021, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: NOT VOTING:		
ATTEST:	, Mayor	
Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Scott E. Huber, Town Attorney		



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Ross Gilb, Finance Director / Town Treasurer

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Extension of Term of Agreement for Professional

Services with Management Partners

Agenda Item: 2(h)

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

 Authorize the Town Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement for professional services with Management Partners originally dated January 19, 2021 to extend the terms of the agreement from August 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

Background:

During the January 12, 2021 Town Council Meeting, Council authorized the Town Manager to enter into a not-to-exceed agreement with Management Partners for the creation of a financial sustainability model to assist with long-term planning and management of the settlement the Town received from PG&E relating to a claim for damages which resulted from the 2018 Camp Fire.

The agreement was executed on January 19, 2021 with an initial not-to-exceed amount of \$79,990 and a termination date effective August 31, 2021.

As of the termination date of the original agreement, the Town had accumulated billings against the agreement totaling \$42,000. The original not-to-exceed amount remaining is \$37,990.

The scope of work in the original agreement included:

- Project Kickoff Complete
- Information and Data Gathering Complete
- Develop a Long-Range Fiscal Forecast Complete
- Develop Fiscal Sustainability Strategies Ongoing
- Report Results Ongoing
- Implement Financial Sustainability Action Plan Ongoing

To date, Management Partners has met the needs of the Town in developing an initial long-range fiscal forecast, and informing Council, staff, and the community of the results of the forecast. Along with the initial forecast development, Management Partners has begun to work with Town staff to develop and implement fiscal sustainability strategies. By extending the term of the agreement with Management Partners to June 30, 2022, the Town will continue to have access to the expertise and skill set that the firm provides in order to allow for further development and implementation of the long-term financial sustainability plans that have already been started.

Financial Impact:

The not-to-exceed amount of \$79,990 included in the original contract is remaining unchanged. The remaining balance of the contract not-to-exceed amount of \$37,990 as of the date of termination included in the original agreement is already included in the FY 2021-22 Operating Budget under the Finance Department (General Ledger # 1010.25.4400.5213.100).

AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Amendment ("Amendment") dated _______, 2021 is between the Town of Paradise ("Town") and Management Partners, Inc., an Ohio Corporation, ("Consultant") relating to Consultant's fiscal planning work, as outlined in the underlying agreement dated January 19, 2021 ("Agreement") between the parties. In consideration of the terms and conditions herein, the Town and Consultant agree that the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- 1. The Agreement shall continue through June 30, 2022.
- Conflicts between the Agreement, and this Amendment shall be controlled by this Amendment. All other provisions within the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

TOWN OF PARADISE	MANAGEMENT PARTNERS
By:	By:
Kevin Phillips, Town Manager	Its:
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	ATTEST:
By:	By:
Scott E. Huber, Town Attorney	Dina Volenski, Town Clerk



Council Agenda Summary

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Eric Reinbold, Chief of Police REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Declaration of Certain Town Equipment from the Police

Department to be Surplus and Obsolete

Agenda Item: 2(i)

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Declare the attached described equipment as surplus property; and,

2. Adopt Resolution No. 21-__, declaring certain Town Equipment to be surplus and obsolete and authorizing disposal through sale or donation by the Town Manager or his designee.

Background:

Over time, equipment and office furniture are purchased, installed and replaced. Especially during tight fiscal times, it is prudent to preserve these items in storage for future use, if needed. Over time these items become obsolete as they become worn, dated, broken or as technology evolves. The property listed below may be declared as unusable or outdated as it can no longer be used effectively for Town purposes. It is recommended these items be disposed of as surplus property through sale or donation.

Analysis:

EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE:

- 1. Water storage system consisting of one (1) 5,000 gallon plastic water storage tank, one (1) Drummond brand, 120V AC / 10 Amp, 1-HP, stainless steel, non-submersible, shallow well, pressure pump, serial number 0219-37378, and one (1) Water Worker HT-86, 86-gallon pressure tank. This system was used to supply potable water to the Animal Shelter when potable water was not available from PID after the Camp Fire.
- 2. Metal office desk approximately 5' long, with a column of drawers on each side, that has reached the end of its useful life.
- 3. Faux walnut, particle board, L-shaped office desk, approximately 6' long with an approximately 3' side piece, that has reached the end of its useful life.
- Two (2) 19" computer monitors, that are obsolete and have reached the end of their useful life, described as NEC, Multisync, model EA190M-BK, serial number 07140967TA, and NEC, Multisync, model EA193Mi-BK, serial number

68A02191TA.

5. HP Laser Jet, desk top printer, model P2055DN, serial number JPBF933046.

Financial Impact:

The disposal of these items will have no negative impact on the General Fund. While they have reached the end of their useful life for the Town of Paradise, they may be found useful to other people or organizations, potentially generating a minimal amount of revenue when sold to the public.

TOWN OF PARADISE RESOLUTION NO. 21-

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE DECLARING CERTAIN TOWN PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Town of Paradise wishes to dispose of certain equipment from the Police Department through public auction, internet sale, salvage or other legal method that is no longer functional or necessary to the Town's operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The following equipment is declared to be surplus:

- 1. Water storage system consisting of one (1) 5,000 gallon plastic water storage tank, one (1) Drummond brand, 120V AC / 10 Amp, 1-HP, stainless steel, non-submersible, shallow well, pressure pump, serial number 0219-37378, and one (1) Water Worker HT-86, 86-gallon pressure tank. This system was used to supply potable water to the Animal Shelter when potable water was not available from PID after the Camp Fire.
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- 5. HP Laser Jet, desk top printer, model P2055DN, serial number JPBF933046.

<u>Section 2.</u> Pursuant to Paradise Municipal Code Section 2.45.130, the Town Manager is hereby authorized to dispose of the property set forth in Section 1 through public auction, internet, sale, salvage, donation or other legal method.

PASSED AND	ADOPTED by	the Town	Council o	of the	Town of	Paradise	on	this
14th day of Decembe	r, 2021, by the f	ollowing vo	ote:					

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NOES:	YES:	:		
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ABSENT:	BSEI	NT:		

ABSTAIN:		
	Ву:	
		Steve Crowder, Mayor
ATTEST:		
Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk		
Billa Voletiski, Olivo, Town Clerk		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		

Scott E. Huber, Town Attorney



Council Agenda Summary

Agenda Item: 6(a)

Date: December 14, 2021

ORIGINATED BY: Dina Volenski, Town Clerk

REVIEWED BY: Kevin Phillips, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Council representation on local and county committees and

commissions.

LONG TERM No

RECOVERY PLAN:

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Appoint Council representatives and alternates to represent the Town of Paradise on various local and regional boards, committees and commissions.

Background:

Each year in December, the Town Council appoints members to represent the Town of Paradise on local and regional boards, committees and commissions. These appointments vary in meeting requirements and responsibilities. Usually, members agree to share the responsibilities to ensure coverage for the Town but consideration will also be given to individual preferences.

In considering appointments, please note that three committees require Mayor representation: The Butte County City Selection Committee, the Butte County Disaster Council and Town's Finance & Investment (Budget) Committee. If the Mayor is unable to attend a City Selection Committee meeting, a letter of authorization from the Mayor is required for an alternate to attend on the Mayor's behalf. The alternate must be a seated council member.

The Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD) and Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) boards meet on the same day and in the same location. For this reason, it is recommended that the same Council Member serve on the BCAQMD and BCAG. The Joint Powers Agreement for the Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD) states that city appointments are for a four-year term unless the term of office for the representative expires.

At the November 10, 2009, regular meeting, Council concurred that the council member appointed to serve as alternate to the Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) would automatically serve as the alternate to the Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD).

The following is a list and description of the committees and commissions, meeting dates and times, and locations.

Butte County Committees/Commissions

1. Butte County Air Quality Management District Governing Board

- Meets the 4th Thursday after Butte County Association of Governments
- Comprised of five Butte County Supervisors plus one elected representative from each of the County's five cities.

The Butte County Air Quality Management District board establishes policies & approves new rules to protect people & environment from the effects of air pollution.

2. Butte County Association of Governments

- Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Chico, BCAG Board Room
- Comprised of five Butte County Supervisors plus one elected representative from each of the County's five cities

The Butte County Association of Governments board is responsible for development of federal and state transportation plans and programs that secure transportation funding for the region's highways, transit, streets/roads, and, pedestrian and other transportation system improvements.

3. Butte County City Selection Committee

• Meets twice a year upon notification; Mayor must be representative.

The City Selection Committee is comprised of the mayors from the five incorporated cities and selects two city representatives to serve on the Local Area Formation Commission (*LAFCo).

4. Butte County Disaster Council

• Meets at least once a year in Oroville; Mayor must be representative.

The purpose of the Disaster Council is to provide for the preparation and execution of plans for the protection of persons, the environment, and property within the County of Butte in the event of an emergency.

5. Butte County Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCo)

• Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 9:00 am in Oroville; Appointments to LAFCo made by City Selection Committee.

LAFCo is a State mandated local agency composed of seven regular Commissioners: two members from the Butte County Board of Supervisors (selected by the entire Board); two members from the city councils (selected by the mayors of all five incorporated cities); two members who represent special districts (selected by a majority vote of independent special districts); and one public member (selected by the other six LAFCo members).

The LAFCo board oversees boundary changes to cities and special districts, the formation of new agencies including incorporation of new cities, and consolidation of existing agencies.

6. Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control Board (BCMVCD)

• One representative, for a four-year term, meets regularly on the second Wednesday of each month at 4:00 pm.

The purpose of the eleven (11) trustee board is to set policy for the 1600 square mile district concerning Mosquito and Vector control. The mission of BCMVCD is to reduce mosquito-transmitted disease and other vector associated diseases through environmentally compatible control practices and public education.

7. Butte County Integrated Waste Management Local Task Force

• One representative and one alternate; meets as needed in Oroville.

The Local Task Force is a mandated committee formed by the Board of Supervisors; develops goals, policies & procedures which are consistent with guidelines & regulations adopted by the CA Integrated Waste Management Act relating to coordinated & cost-effective regional waste management issues/solutions.

8. City/County Ad Hoc Committee

• Two Council representatives; meets upon notification

The City/County Ad Hoc Committee was formed to discuss issues/topics of common concern associated with the Paradise Ridge Area: comprised of two members of the Town Council; two members of the Board of Supervisors and various staff.

9. Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID-Explore Butte County) -

• Meets every other month, on the second Thursday, at the Residence Inn by Marriott from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

The Butte County Tourism Business Improvement District (BCTBID) is an assessment district that provides specific benefits to payors, by funding marketing and sales promotion efforts for assessed businesses. The Butte County Tourism Business Improvement District was formed in November 2015 and includes the communities of Chico, Oroville, Paradise, Biggs, and the unincorporated area of Butte County. The annual assessment rate is two percent (2%) of gross short-term room rental revenue. Utilizing assessment funds collected, Explore Butte County intends to strategically market the region with the goal of increasing overnight stays. This is only an advisory position, and an appointment is at the discretion of the Town Council.

10. Butte Continuum of Care Council

• One Council representative (must be an elected official)

Meets monthly on the third Monday from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. If in person meeting resume in 2022, locations will alternate between Oroville and Chico. Oroville DESS Andes Room, 78 Table Mountain Blvd. Oroville. Chico DESS Condor Room, 765 East Ave. Suite 200, Chico (North Valley Plaza)

The Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC) is a multi-agency planning body with the common goal of ending homelessness. This goal will be accomplished by assisting individuals and families experiencing homelessness receive rapid, adaptive, quality services which lead to the long-term stability of permanent housing and self-sufficiency.

11. Butte County Fire Safe Council

 Meets first Wednesday of the month at Paradise Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

Butte County Fire Safe Council provides wildland fire mitigation and recovery services to the communities of Butte County. Their mission is to provide safety in Butte County through wildfire hazard education, mitigation and wildlife recovery.

Local Committees

- **1. Paradise Community Village** (formerly known as the Paradise Youth Sports and Family Center) **One Council representative.**
 - Meets at Paradise Community village upon notification.

Paradise Community Village (PCV) is a local non-profit corporation formed to oversee the development of the Paradise Community Village project, a mixed-use development consisting of affordable and single-family housing, parks/recreation, open space & community facilities. Board is comprised of the following members: Town of Paradise (one Council and one staff representative); Youth for Change; Paradise Youth Soccer Club; and, the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP).

- 2. Paradise Irrigation District (PID) Liaison Two Council representatives.
 - Meets in Paradise upon notification to discuss issues of common concern.

PID is an Independent Special District governed by a five-member elected board of directors; Formed in 1916 under the laws of the State Water Code to deliver water to municipal residential and commercial customers.

- 3. Paradise Recreation & Park District (PRPD) Liaison Two Council Representatives.
 - Meets in Paradise upon notification to discuss issues of common concern.

PRPD is an Independent Special District governed by a five-member elected board of directors; Formed in 1948 to provide recreation and park services within the district.

4. Paradise Solid Waste Committee – Meets in Paradise upon notification; two Council representatives.

The Paradise Solid Waste Committee discusses solid waste, recyclable materials, and yard waste programs with staff and representative from Northern Recycling and Waste Services, the company franchised by the Town to provide of solid waste collection and disposal services which includes recycling, source reduction, household hazardous waste and vegetative waste disposal services; two council representatives, Town staff.

5. Onsite Ad Hoc Committee – Two Council representatives

The Onsite Ad Hoc Committee meets as needed to keep Council representatives informed of issues & long-term effects of proposed changes to the Manual for Onsite Treatment of Wastewater (Onsite Manual); formed by Minute Order on September 3, 2008. The Onsite Manual may be viewed at the Town's website at the following address: https://www.townofparadise.com/septic/page/onsite-wastewater-manual

6. Finance & Investment Committee – members include Mayor, Vice Mayor, Town Manager, Finance Director/Town Treasurer.

The Finance & Investment Commission is established by Paradise Municipal Code Section 2.16.030 for the purpose of providing oversight of the Town's financial, public financing & investment activities.

7. Butte County Oversight Board – Members of the Countywide Oversight Board are made up pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34179 (j) with Appointing Authority from different agencies. Annual meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each January at 2:00 p.m. in the Butte County Board of Supervisors Chambers located at 25 County Center Dr. Ste. 205, Oroville, CA 95965.

The Countywide Oversight Board has fiduciary responsibility to holders of enforceable obligations and the taxing entities that benefit from distributions of property tax and other revenues.

8. Paradise Sewer Regionalization Project Advisory Committee - Two Town Council representatives – the committee meets bi-monthly in alternating locations between the Town of Paradise and the City of Chico.

The Committee serves to: (1) Monitor progress of the Paradise Sewer Project, including the Project's Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and efforts being done under the Town and City's Cooperative Work Agreement, (2) Develop the Principles of Agreementfor an inter-municipal agreement between the Town and City, and make a recommendation on those Principles to the two Councils if applicable, and (3) Guide public participation in the EIR process which will happen separately but in parallel with the Committee's work.

Attached is a list of the 2021 representation, along with a blank chart for the 2022 assignments.

Financial Impact: None.



2021 TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

BUTTE COUNTY COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

	BUTTE COUNTY	Bolin	Crowder	Culleton	Jones	Tryon
1.	Air Quality Management District				Α	R
2.	Association of Governments				R	Α
3.	City Selection Committee (Mayor)		R			
4.	Disaster Council (Mayor)		R			
5.	Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO) (Bolin was appointed through 5/2023 – Appointed by City Selection Committee)	R				
6.	Mosquito and Vector Control Board			Melissa	Schuster	
7.	Waste Mgt Local Task Force			R		Α
8. 9.	City/County Ad Hoc Committee TBID			R Colette	Curtis	
10.	Continuum of Care			R		
11.	Butte County Fire Safe Council					R

LOCAL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

	PARADISE	Bolin	Crowder	Culleton	Jones	Tryon
1.	Paradise Community Village	R		Α		
2.	Paradise Irrigation District Liaison				R	R
3.	Paradise Rec. & Park District Liaison		R	R		
4.	Paradise Solid Waste Committee			R		R
5.	Onsite Ad Hoc Committee	R	R			
6.						
	Finance Committee					
	(Mayor & Vice Mayor)		R		R	
7.	Butte County Oversight Board				R	
8.	Paradise Sewer Regionalization					
	Project Advisory Committee		R		R	

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2022 TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

BUTTE COUNTY COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

	BUTTE COUNTY	Bolin	Crowder	Culleton	Jones	Tryon
1.	Air Quality Management District					
2.	Association of Governments					
3.	City Selection Committee (Mayor)					
4.	Disaster Council (Mayor)					
5.	Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCo) (Bolin was appointed through 5/2023 – Appointed by City Selection Committee)	R				
6.	Mosquito and Vector Control Board			Melissa	Schuster	
7.	Waste Mgt Local Task Force					
8. 9.	City/County Ad Hoc Committee Tourism Business Improvement District			Colette	Curtis	
10.	Continuum of Care					
11.	Butte County Fire Safe Council					

LOCAL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

	PARADISE	Bolin	Crowder	Culleton	Jones	Tryon
1.	Paradise Community Village					
2.	Paradise Irrigation District Liaison					
3.	Paradise Rec. & Park District Liaison					
4.	Paradise Solid Waste Committee					
5.	Onsite Ad Hoc Committee					
6.	Finance Committee (Mayor & Vice Mayor)					
7.	Butte County Oversight Board					
8.	Paradise Sewer Regionalization Project Advisory Committee					