

Date: June 8, 2021

To: Responsible and Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties and Organizations

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Lakeridge Park Project

The Paradise Recreation and Parks District intends to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines.

Project Title: **Lakeridge Park Project**

Lead Agency: Paradise Recreation and Parks District
6626 Skyway
Paradise, CA 95969

Project Location: The proposed Lakeridge Park Project would be located at 39°48'59.64"N, 121°35'17.65"W in Magalia, Butte County CA. The Project Area consists of approximately 32 acres and is located on two parcels designated by Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs): 065-260-011-000 and 066-340-004. The site is situated east of Lakeridge Circle, west of Dogtown Road and Magalia Reservoir, and north of Skyway in south Magalia. The entrance road to the park will be constructed off of Lakeridge Circle. The subject site burned in the Camp Fire. Currently the entire site is undeveloped.

Project Description: The proposed project includes the new construction of a 27.9 acre public park in Magalia, Butte County, California. The park would involve the construction of a 4,200 square foot multipurpose community center with a 675 square-foot bathroom building attached, 3,810 square feet of a multi-use play and community program area, 950 square feet of bathroom areas and 115 square feet of office space/electrical closet/corridors. The site will be connected to Lakeridge Circle via an asphalt drive aisle which will lead to 150 gravel parking spaces. A concrete sidewalk will connect site facilities including a basketball court, a tot lot, an adventure play area, group picnic areas with shade structures, a playground, an amphitheater and a climbing boulder. The concrete trail will attach to natural trails, bike trails and crushed basalt trails. Additionally, the site will include landscaped areas, planting of native trees and a botanical garden. Telescopes will be installed at overlooks where scenic vistas of Sawmill Peak occur to the east.

Environmental Review Process: The Paradise Recreation and Parks District has prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) on the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. The IS/MND describes the proposed Lakeridge Park Project and provides an assessment of the project's potential impacts on the environment. The IS/MND concludes that any potentially significant impacts that may result from the proposed project can be avoided, eliminated, or reduced to a level that is less than significant by the adoption and implementation of specified mitigation measures.

Public Review Period: The IS/MND is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days starting June 17, 2021. Written comments should be submitted and received at the following address no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 16, 2021:

Paradise Recreation and Parks District
Attn: Dan Efseaff, District Manager
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A copy of the draft IS/MND may be reviewed at the following locations:

- Butte County Library, Paradise Branch
5922 Clark Rd
Paradise, CA 95969

Paradise Recreation and Park District Website: <https://www.paradisepd.com/>