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Paradise Recreation and Park District Announces COVID-19 Measures

Paradise, CA, March 19, 2020 - The Paradise Recreation and Park District (PRPD/District) today announced actions that have been implemented to comply with government guidelines aimed at halting the spread of COVID-19.

The District will alter several upcoming events with the Easter Egg hunt canceled and the Gold Nugget Craft Fair postponed until June 27 and 28. The popular Tiny Tots program followed the lead of the school districts and will be postponed through the end of March. The Spring/Summer Activity Guide for the District will also be delayed, with the District anticipating the release of the new addition in late April at the earliest. In addition, patrons can check the website, www.paradisepprd.com for recreation and activity updates.

In keeping with the current guidelines, most classes and rentals have been postponed or suspended but some are handled on a case by case basis if they can comply with participant number limitations and social distancing requirements.

The District will continue to maintain and clean facilities and has reviewed procedures with staff to maintain the safety of patrons, staff and the community. Office staff will continue working, but may be working remotely and will connect with the public over the phone or electronically. Recreation staff are planning for the return of programs and new events once the crises eases.

Dan Efseaff, PRPD District Manager, "Currently, we are following local, state, and federal guidelines, but they likely will change rapidly with the evolution of the outbreak."

"We encourage the public to call or email rather than come in," he added, "As PRPD continues to serve our patrons, we must take precautions to protect our staff and public from unnecessary exposures."

Efseaff noted that PRPD is exploring options to streamline the payment of Development Impact Fees, which were typically handled in person.

Regular office hours are suspended over the next few weeks., Most questions and transactions can be handled over the phone or via email and District personnel urge the public to contact the District at info@paradisepdpd.com or (530) 872-6393.

Efseaff added, “Parks and outdoor spaces remain, important areas for people to enjoyably practice social distancing, and we know that people will continue to use our spaces.”

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Since 1948, the Paradise Recreation and Park District provides recreation facilities and programs to the residents of Paradise, the Butte Creek Canyon area, and the unincorporated communities of Magalia/Paradise Pines and Concow/Yankee Hill. The District serves 50,000 people living in a 170-square mile area and manages nearly 500 acres of park land and facilities.

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