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## **PRPD Moves Forward with New Park Land in Magalia**

Paradise, CA, January 3, 2022 – The Paradise Recreation and Park District (PRPD, District) announced today the addition of 2 new properties in Magalia to bolster recreational opportunities on the Upper Ridge.

The District's Board of Directors authorized the purchase of property on Lakeridge Circle, as well as the transfer of donated property near the intersection of Coutolenc Road and Jordan Hill Road, at the December 8, 2021, Regular Meeting.

The new Lakeridge Circle addition is adjacent to land currently owned and managed by the District. The District recently received a \$5.2M grant to develop Lakeridge Park.

District Manager Dan Efseaff said, "This acquisition allows us to move forward with the economical development of the park and make progress toward the future of the entire ridge."

The Jordan Hill property sits strategically near Paradise Irrigation District (PID) property and may allow for access to an upcoming trails system. PID has been a key partner with the District in the development of recreational features.

Efseaff added, "This donation allows us some amazing access opportunities for the upcoming Magalia Paradise Lake Loop Trail. This addition may help solve parking and direct access to trails". Efseaff also notes that "we will also look into funding for parking and look into exploring partnerships with a greater variety of recreational users in the future".

Groundbreaking for Lakeridge Park and the Magalia Paradise Lake Loop Trail is planned for June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

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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 over 1,000 acres of park land and facilities.

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