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Town of Paradise Weekly Recovery Update

Events:

Wed, June 26th 5:30pm	Party in the Park Location: Paradise Community Park
Thurs, June 27 th 4 – 8:30 pm	Drinking water & plumbing after the Camp Fire Location: Paradise Alliance Church. Visit ParadiseChamber.com/events for more details
Sat, June 29th - 30 th 10am – 4pm	Home Builders Resource Expo Location: Silver Dollar Fairgrounds 2357 Fair Street in Chico, visit ParadiseChamber.com for info.
Thurs. July 4 th 3 – 6pm	July 4 in the Park with USAF Band Location: Paradise Community Park

5,588 properties cleared of debris
1,662 properties certified clean by County
65 building permits issued
87 applications in plan check
152 applications received total

What's new:

- Currently, 151 crews are working on debris removal. Each crew makes between 10 and 20 trips per day hauling debris. That means there are between 1,500 and 3,000 trips made in and out of Paradise by debris removal trucks for the state program every day!
- Clark Road Laundromat is now open! 5837 Clark Rd.
- There are 171 businesses open on the ridge according to the Paradise Chamber of Commerce.

Check out the latest Rebuilding Guide provided by The Chamber:
https://issuu.com/paradiseridgebusinessjournal/docs/final_e6b19dbbc20267
- In Case you Missed it: On June 25th, the Town Council voted unanimously to adopt the Long-Term Community Recovery Plan.

The presentation of community vision included the projects that were previously presented to the public for feedback. These projects are not all Town-led projects--- some projects will be undertaken by other agencies, entities or non-profits (e.g. PID is the lead on repairing the water system.) The Town Council will have an opportunity to prioritize the town-led projects at its goal setting session in July). All projects will go before the council at future meetings—some projects will go before the council many times during different phases of the project (e.g. design, engineering, grant approvals, etc.) All projects have different priorities, cost estimates, and proposed funding sources-- -these are all estimates.

To watch the presentation, visit the Town of Paradise Facebook page

For access to the presentation go here:

https://issuu.com/makeitparadise/docs/2350rptbook_final190624?e=37113742/70809073

The Town of Paradise owes a debt of gratitude to the Butte Strong Fund and Barry Long for helping us create a vision for the future.

- The Home Builders Resource Expo Exhibitor Registration is happening -- this weekend!. It's free to attend and is a great first step if you're rebuilding or even if you're still deciding. For More information visit:
<http://www.paradisechamber.com/events/details/home-builders-resource-expo-rebuilding-after-a-wildfire-12198>

Q: What is the latest update on trees? Where should we report trees that need removal?

A: Trees remain a top priority for the Town of Paradise. For trees in the public right of way, the Town has hired an arborist to identify trees that need to be removed. So far about 3,900 have been identified by the arborist, and they will be removed over the next 4-8 months. For trees on private property, the Town is still working with our recovery partners, Cal OES and FEMA, on a program that would help with the cost of removal. Butte County Fire Safe Council is also applying for grants that will help property owners offset the cost to remove trees on private property. As soon as these programs are confirmed, the Town will make the information about how to apply available.

Q: What is the latest update on abatement?

A: All properties in the Town of Paradise with qualifying debris must have the debris removed for health and safety reasons. If a property owner has not turned in paperwork for either the state program or the alternative (private contractor) program, the property will go into the abatement process to remove the debris. After the property owner has been given a final opportunity to remove the debris, the debris will be removed by the Town, utilizing the state debris removal teams, at the expense of the property owner. The abatement process is generally more expensive than using either the state program or a private contractor, and we advise anyone who has not selected an option at this point to please contact Butte

County at (530) 552-3155 to avoid the abatement process and select an option now.

Q: What are the top 3 reasons a resident should attend Home Builder Expo?

A: If you are rebuilding, or even if you're just thinking about it, the Home Builder Expo is a great place to start, and it's free to attend! Here are three reasons to attend the expo:

1. You will find informational booths from the Town of Paradise Building Department, Butte County, Cal OES, Paradise Irrigation District, Zone Captains and more!
2. Over 90 vendors will be on hand to share information about building materials and techniques, manufactures homes, modular homes, stick built homes, and concrete, and financing.
3. Classes and educational sessions will be available on subjects like how to choose a contractor, avoiding scams, financing help etc.

Enjoy local food trucks and a children's play area.