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PRESS RELEASE
Town of Paradise Weekly Recovery Update

Meetings:
Tues. Feb. 4th, 6:00-8:00 pm
Community Information Meeting
Paradise Alliance Church
Location: 6491 Clark Rd

Tues. Feb. 11th 6pm
Paradise Town Council Meeting
Paradise Town Hall
Location: 5555 Skyway

Wed. Feb. 19th, 6:30-9:00 pm
PID Regular Meeting
PID Boardroom
Location: 6332 Clark Rd

Events:
Sat. Jan. 25th 10:30 am-2 pm
“Roadmap to Recovery”
United Policy Holders Workshop
St. John the Evangelist Church
Location: 2341 Floral Ave, Chico

Fridays 12:00 pm- 1:30 pm
“Fridays for Lunch” Free Lunch
Paradise Lutheran Church
Location: 780 Luther Dr. Paradise, Ca

Thursdays 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Paradise Community Dinner
Paradise Alliance Church
Location: 6491 Clark Rd

Updates and Statistics:

Water Updates:
1,131 Water Advisories lifted

PID expects to complete testing to all standing homes by March 2020.

Building Updates:
740 Building Permit Applications Received
514 Building Permits issued
36 Homes Rebuilt (certificate of occupancy issued)

Weekly Spotlight

The Building Resiliency Center (BRC) is opening on Monday, January 27th at 8 am. Opening the BRC will help further our goal of getting our residents back home as soon as possible. The BRC is located at 6295 Skyway and will be open starting Jan. 27th from 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday.

The BRC will be a one-stop-shop for residents who are rebuilding or even considering rebuilding in Paradise. The Town of Paradise Building Department is relocating to the BRC to offer residents a better experience as our community rebuilds. There is more space, seating areas, and more permit technicians to help speed up the process.

What’s new:

- **Starting at 6:00 am on Thursday, Jan. 23rd** the Town of Paradise and Northern Recycling Waste Service (NRWS) will be conducting a test burn of 2 air curtain burners (ACB) at the green waste facility on American Way. The air curtain burners are an incinerator box with a bower that creates an air curtain over the top of the box.
  
The air curtain significantly reduces the ember and smoke production of the fire making the air curtain burners an efficient and environmentally friendly alternative means of disposing of burnable waste material. Once started, the test burn will run all day and through the night. There is no need to report this activity to emergency personal as the test burn is being conducted under close supervision from Town officials and NRWS employees.

- **The Government Hazard Tree Removal Program has not started yet, however, there are tree removal operations happening in Town.** PG&E, as well as private contractors, are currently removing trees. PG&E Tree Removal
subcontractors will have white temporary PG&E badges for identification and will mark trees 10 days prior to removal. They will also leave a white tag with a phone number to call as well as the information for the arborist who identified the tree(s) for removal. For more information, contact PG&E at rebuild@pge.com.

- “Roadmap to Recovery” Solving Reconstruction Pricing Disputes Special Event is coming to Chico this Saturday, January 25th, 2020, 10:30 am-2 pm at St. John the Evangelist, 2341 Floral Ave, Chico. This hands-on workshop will help you overcome roadblocks to rebuilding. We'll contact you once you're registered to let you know what documents you'll need to bring. Who should attend? Homeowners whose insured homes were damaged or destroyed in the Camp Fire. This Roadmap to Recovery workshop is presented by United Policyholders, a non-profit consumer organization helping disaster survivors for over 27 years. For more information and updates, visit our online help library at uphelp.org/campfire. Don’t forget RSVP required for this event! Please send an email to info@uphelp.org if you’d like to attend.

- Rebuild Advocates available to residents of the Town of Paradise and Butte County to help navigate the process of rebuilding. The advocates can help people apply for loans and connect with contractors. You may call 530-872-6291 ext. 130 to schedule an appointment. Please reach out, they are here for you.

- The Paradise Town Council and the Butte County Board of Supervisors passed ordinances requiring the removal of hazard trees damaged by the Camp Fire from private property that may fall into public roadways. Property owners may enter the Government Tree Program to have the trees removed by the State at no out-of-pocket cost. Enrollment in the Government Tree Program requires a Right-of-Entry form. Property owners may also identify and remove hazard trees themselves but must submit an inspection form so an inspector may verify the removal of the hazard trees from the property. Property owners may also call the Tree ROE Center directly at (530) 552-3030 or submit Tree ROEs by email at TreeROE@buttecounty.net. The Tree ROE is available for download online at www.ButteCountyRecovers.org/treeremoval. ROE forms may also be picked up at the Tree ROE Centers when they open. Three Tree ROE Centers open at the following locations:
  - Community Employment Center: 78 Table Mountain Boulevard, Oroville Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8 am - 5 pm
  - Butte County Library, Paradise Branch Community Room: 5922 Clark Road, Paradise Hours: Mon.- Fri. 9 am - 5 pm
Business’s Opening Soon:
  - Please join the Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce and community members as we celebrate the reopening of Ponderosa Gardens Motel Thursday, January 23rd at 5:30 p.m. located at 7010 Skyway, Paradise