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# **PRESS RELEASE**

## **Town of Paradise Weekly Recovery Update**

### **Meetings:**

**Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm**

**Community Information Meeting**

VIRTUAL ONLY: streamed online via  
Facebook and YouTube

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 6pm**

**Town Council Meeting**

VIRTUAL ONLY:

Online at: <https://livestream.com/townofparadise>

### **Updates and Statistics:**

#### **Building Updates:**

**1,281** Building Permit Applications Received

**1,082** Building Permits issued

**273** Homes Rebuilt (certificate of occupancy issued)

### **Community News:**

#### **Letter to the Community Regarding Urgency Ordinance**

Paradise Town Manager Lauren Gill wrote a letter to the community addressing the urgency ordinance for RVs on property. Read the letter in its entirety [here](#).

### **What's new:**

- **The Private Hazardous Tree Assessment is Progressing Nicely.** Great news! Assessment is 45% complete with a total of 3,300 properties assessed. 1,667 properties are complete – no further work needed. There are still over 50% that have hazardous trees – some of which are still unenrolled into either program. Six Tetra Tech arborists continue to be out in the field assessing trees in Paradise. They are wearing blue vests with yellow safety stripe and a TT logo. Vehicles contain the Tetra Tech TT logo.
- **Your Input is Requested!** The UC Cooperative Extension in Northeastern California is interested in how residents are preparing for wildfire. The survey is 15-20 minutes and helps to tailor programs to best serve local residents. You can take the survey [here](#).
- **PSPS Grant for Generators-** The Town applied for and received a grant from Cal OES to address future Public Safety Power Shutoffs. The \$300,000 awarded will be used to purchase and install back up generators and fuel for all traffic signals in Town. This will improve public safety by enabling traffic signals to continue running even when the power is out for an extended period.
- **Town of Paradise Awarded 3 Grants.** The North Valley Community Foundation – Butte Strong Fund has awarded the Town 3 grants for the following services: An economic development video designed to attract businesses to Paradise as well as Communication Services to continue to provide a steady flow of information to residents and the community at large. The third grant is to replace Police Department Radios that were destroyed in the fire. Together, they total \$114,000.
- **Paradise Community Village is Rebuilding!** The 36-unit affordable housing complex located off Clark Rd. which was destroyed in the fire is starting their rebuilding process. They expect to be completed with construction by November 2021.
- **The Building Resiliency Center (BRC) Continues to Be Open.** The BRC continues to maintain operations during the COVID-19 pandemic to assist those seeking to rebuild. *The Center is open by appointment only and masks are required.* The Rebuild Advocates are available to answer any questions you may have. Please call 530.872.6291 x411 to make an in-person (depending on COVID status) or phone appointment today!
- **Have You Completed Your Tree ROE?** There are still over 2,000 properties in The Town of Paradise that have not completed their TROE form. In order to remove all dead and dying trees there is an urgent need for all residents who have not completed this form to do make it a priority. Ask your neighbors, family and friends both in town and those who have been relocated out of state but still own property --Have you completed your TROE?

[Download your ROE](#) or inspection Access form here. You can mail the form to PO Box 3390 Chico, CA 95927-3390 or email to [TreeROE@buttecounty.net](mailto:TreeROE@buttecounty.net). For questions, call the Tree ROE Information line at (530) 552-3030.

- **Local Business Seeks Volunteers To Help Open** Déjà vu Gardens is looking for at least 10 volunteers to help get the thousands of trees and plants she's been nurturing dispersed on the nursery property (formerly Mendon's nursery). Start date is tentatively set for August 1<sup>st</sup>. Please visit the [Paradise Chamber of Commerce Facebook Page](#) to share your availability.
- **The Paradise Farmer's Market Has Reopened!** Head on down to the Paradise Alliance Church every Tuesday morning for fresh fruits and veggies. Time is 7:30am – 12:00pm at 6491 Clark Road.
- **Have questions regarding your rebuild? Rebuild Advocates are here to help!** If you need help navigating the rebuild process, the Town of Paradise has Rebuild Advocates available to assist. They can help with the following: Navigating insurance, FEMA or SBA, understanding additional financing options, selecting a contractor, submitting plans, or any part of the rebuild process. They are available at the Building Resiliency Center by appointment only. Please call 530.872.6291 x411 to make an in-person (depending on COVID status) or phone appointment today!