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PRESS RELEASE
Town of Paradise Weekly Recovery Update

Meetings:

July 7, 2020, 6 pm
Community Information Meeting – State of the Town Part 2: Department Reports

Updates and Statistics:

Building Updates:
1,064 Building Permit Applications Received
904 Building Permits issued
225 Homes Rebuilt (certificate of occupancy issued)
6,725 Tree ROE’s received (Government Program)
3,993 Tree ROE’s received (Private Program)

Tasty News:

Joy-Lyn’s Candies Beer Brittle is Back in Stores!
This beloved sweet and salty treat featuring Sierra Nevada Pale Ale is available at locations around the North State and online at http://www.sohnreyfamilyfoods.com.
What’s new:

- **The July Paradise Community Information Meeting will once again take place at the Paradise Alliance Church.** In following proper COVID-19 safety precautions, the first 100 attendees may join the meeting in person at 6491 Clark Road. Masks and social distancing are required to attend (Please bring your own masks). The meeting will be broadcast live on the Towns Facebook page and YouTube channel. The meeting is Tuesday, July 7th at 6pm. The meeting will feature the State of the Town Part 2: Department Reports.

- **Reminder!** “Safe and Sane” Fireworks are not allowed in Paradise or anywhere in Butte County, except within the limits of Oroville and Gridley. Help keep Paradise Fire Safe!

- **Great news!** Paradise Irrigation District’s $7.3 million backfill from the State of California has been restored in the budget signed by Governor Newsom.

- **Important:** As of January 1, 2021, the rules about living in RVs on private lots in town will change back to pre-fire rules. You will be required to be actively rebuilding a permanent home on your property (different than a temporary RV permit) to continue living on your property in an RV. For information on the building process and to connect with financial resources for rebuilding, contact our Rebuild Advocates at (530) 872-6291 x429 and x430.

- **Hazardous Trees - Town of Paradise needs your help!** 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. For questions, call the Tree ROE Information line at (530) 552-3030.

- **The Camp Fire Shed Project is now accepting applications for Round 2!** The second build will take place August 30-September 18, 2020! If you applied for round 2 prior to COVID-19, there’s no need to reapply. Applications found here. Recap: If you owned a home on 11/8/2018 and lost your home or had significant damage due to the Camp Fire, are located within the burn scar area, currently living in an RV/Trailer/Tent, intend to rebuild and your insurance did not cover shed replacement, this program might be for you! Visit the criteria form to learn more.

- **Help keep Paradise fire safe!** If you own a lot in Paradise, it is your responsibility to maintain it. If you need help clearing your lot of weeds and brush, you can contact a local company who can do the work for you. Find a list of companies with Paradise Business Licenses here.
- **Missing Middle Grant Income Limits Extended for Larger Households.** The grant helps reduce pre-construction costs for lower, middle -lower and middle class households who want to build/rebuild in the Camp Fire footprint. The grant reimburses up to $5,000 pre-construction costs. Find more details at rebuildparadise.org/grants.

- **FREE masks are available at the Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce to Ridge businesses.** This is a joint effort from the North Valley Community Foundation and Feather River Health Foundation. Please contact the PRCoC at 530.877.9356 or stop by 6161 Clark Road #1 to pick up masks. Hours are Wednesday – Friday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Delivery is available.

- **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 or phone appointment today!

**FAQ**

**Q:** I want to rebuild, but I don’t have enough money from insurance. What can I do?

**A:** Our Rebuild Advocates can help connect you with loans and grants to help make rebuilding affordable. In many cases, insurance is just not enough to rebuild. The Town has a program that can provide financial help to fill the gap between insurance and the cost to rebuild. To find out more, contact our Rebuild Advocates at (530) 872-6291 x429 and x430 or psavage@townofparadise.com and eclemens@townofparadise.com