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CITY OF CHICO PARK DIVISION PARTNERS WITH CA CONSERVATION CORPS

Chico, CA, April 6, 2011. Over the next few months, Bidwell Park and city greenway users will see a crew of young people working as part of a new partnership between the City of Chico Park Division and the local California Conservation Corps (CCC).

The CCC received a Proposition 84 (*Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006*) grant to partner with the Park Division with the focus on work training and restoration of the Big Chico Creek watershed area.

The grant funded program will provide a CCC crew for a week once or twice monthly to work Park projects, including Spanish broom removal in Upper Bidwell Park, trimming vegetation from along trails and roads, supporting park restoration efforts and training with Chico's park and fire department staff on a controlled burn for weed management. The crew will also aid with trail maintenance in the Park. The Park Division will provide supervision, projects and training to the CCC.

For more information, contact the Park Division at (530) 896-7800.

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The Parks, Open Spaces, Greenways, and Preserves Division is within the General Services Department, and is responsible for maintaining and operating City parks, open space, and recreation areas including Bidwell Park, Children's Playground, Depot Park, City Plaza, Lindo Channel, Little Chico Creek Greenway, Teichert Ponds, and other preserves. Park Division programs include: Maintenance, Ranger, Lifeguard, and Volunteer Programs.