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MEDIA ALERT

GOAT GRAZING IN LINDO CHANNEL

(Chico, CA – April 8, 2025 –). Starting Thursday, April 10, 2025, goats will be grazing Lindo Channel between Manzanita Ave. and Highway 99. The work is part of the Lindo Channel Defensible Space Project that is funded by a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Program Grant.

The purpose is to reduce fire fuel loads and provide defensible space to properties along both sides of Lindo Channel. Due to environmental regulations, no grazing will occur within the channel waterway. Goat grazing has proven to be a very effective tool for vegetation management.

Through a competitive bid process, Capra Environmental Services Corp. will be providing hundreds of goats, which potentially can graze approximately one acre per day. Grazing areas will be cordoned off with an electric fence and warning signs will be posted throughout for public safety. A herdsman and livestock guardian dogs will also be onsite 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Where possible, paths and trails will remain open to the public during grazing. Visitors to the area are requested not to enter closed areas, keep children and pets away from the electric fencing, and to not feed or disturb the goats and guard dogs.

The project is anticipated to be completed in two to three weeks. The goats will also be brought back to Lindo Channel in the Fall of 2025.

For more information, please contact the Park Division office at 530-896-7800 or email parkinfo@chicoca.gov.

Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the United States. For more information, visit www.chico.ca.us.

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