

Item 7.2 Cover sheet – Bike Park Site CEQA/NEPA Consultant Expanded Scope of Work and Fee

Subject: Bike Pump Track CEQA/NEPA Consultant Added Scope of Work and Subsequent Fee Increase

The Issue

Should Auburn Area Recreation and Park District (ARD) Board of Directors approve an expanded scope of work and subsequent fee increase from Dudek for professional services that are beyond the original contract for the proposed Auburn Bike Park?

Background:

At the June 2014 Board of Directors meeting, the ARD Board approved a contract with Dudek to complete the CEQA/NEPA environmental work for the Maidu Bike Park. Plans for the bike park have progressed as staff is working with several parties to finalize details and work out issues. Staff has been working with State Parks and PCWA regarding several issues including trail connections that serve all interested users. This has involved State Parks consulting with ARD staff to finalize one trail connection on ASRA land managed by State Parks that facilitates equestrians and general user groups. Using this trail alignment eliminates the need to provide an equestrian compatible trail on the bike park site itself. Please refer to the diagram attached to this cover sheet. State Parks has agreed, contingent upon CEQA review, to locate the trail connection on an old paved road section below Maidu Drive and Pleasant Avenue. Site improvement costs would be ARD responsibility. Giuliani and Kull, site engineers on the project, are currently working on an exhibit, design and engineer's estimate.

Finalizing this trail segment requires additional CEQA/NEPA work to fold this area into the overall project area. This portion of the bike park project is in addition to the current contract ARD has with Dudek. It will require additional Biological and Cultural studies to incorporate the new area, as well as additional work to update project descriptions and the Admin CEQA/NEPA draft document. In addition to this new scope of services, Dudek has identified additional hours needed to administer the additional reviews required by State Parks, PCWA (bridge issues) and USBR. ARD has received a proposal from Dudek for the additional scope of services at a sum of \$9,990.00.

ARD's current contract with Dudek includes the cost to complete the work program for the CEQA/NEPA at \$36,293, the SWPPP cost at \$5700 and the cost for the NOA sampling at \$1420. The SWPPP may be able to be reduced if ARD qualifies for a waiver, which would reduce the cost to \$1000. This will be determined prior to construction when the actual construction timing is determined. The waiver is based upon time of year of construction. It is not possible at this time to determine if ARD will qualify for the waiver. The NOA sampling/analysis cost is \$1420.

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Board authorize the District Administrator to sign Dudek's proposal for additional scope of service fees as described above for \$9,990.00.

Fiscal Impacts:

The fiscal impact is an additional \$9,990.00 for completion of the CEQA/NEPA document.

Attachments:

Dudek proposal.

Comparison of current scope of work with the new scope of work.

Diagram of trail alignment on State Parks managed property.

March 13, 2014; Rev'd March 17, 2015

Kahl Muscott
District Administrator
Auburn Recreation District
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Auburn, CA 95603

Subject: Maidu Bike Park Project – CEQA/NEPA Scope Amendment No. 1

Dear Kahl:

Attached is an amended scope-of-work and cost estimate to provide California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance for the proposed Maidu Bike Park project. The tasks in this scope-of-work are numbered to correspond to the task numbers from Dudek's original work program. This amended work program reflects our understanding of the necessary work program based on discussions with you and Pam during several meetings and phone conversations and our experience working with multiple agencies, which can be a complex and time-consuming process.

Specifically, this work program provides for additional work to incorporate the proposed trail connections on Auburn State Recreation Area lands into the environmental review. This includes updating the Project Description to describe these additional project components as well as biological and cultural resources evaluations for the proposed trails. This work program also provides for separate review of the Administrative Draft document and a 2nd Administrative Draft by State Parks and the Placer County Water Agency to ensure the draft document adequately addresses agency comments before being circulated for public review. This work program and budget provides for additional time for meetings and project management, as we have attended several meetings to date to review site conditions and meet with agency representatives and ARD staff, and we expect that additional meetings will be necessary. As always we will work efficiently on your project and will bill only for time expended.

The estimated cost to carry out tasks in this amended scope of work is \$9,990. Please contact me so we can discuss the work programs and cost estimate.



Project Manager

I PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK

The following Task Outline describes each specific task the Dudek team will complete under this amended scope of work. Task numbers correspond to the task numbers in Dudek's original scope of work.

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TASK 4A: ADMINISTRATIVE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/ ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN – SEPARATE REVIEW BY STATE PARKS AND BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

The Administrative Draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment would be prepared under Task 4 of Dudek's original scope. ARD would provide the initial round of internal review prior to circulating the document to federal and State agencies. In discussions with the District we've determined that the Administrative Draft IS/EA will require separate review by California State Parks (CEQA Responsible / Trustee Agency) and the Placer County Water Agency (PCWA). Task 4A provides for internal review to include these agencies and provides for an initial submittal to solicit comments and edits and a 2nd Administrative Draft submittal to check that agency comments are incorporated satisfactorily and to solicit and incorporate any additional comments prior to circulating the document for public review. Task 4A provides for an additional 20 hours of Dudek staff time to allow for coordination, review and incorporation of agency comments on the Administrative Draft IS/EA. All draft submittals will be in electronic format.

TASK 7A: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND MEETINGS

Task 7A provides for additional Project Management for consultation and communication with District staff, subconsultants, and regulatory agencies. This task provides for Dudek participation in up to four additional meetings with the District and/or the Bureau of Reclamation and State Parks.

Dudek staff has attended several meetings to date for the purposes of meeting with Placer County Water Agency, coordinating with the project engineer and ARD staff, reviewing revised plans, and evaluating trail alignments and coordinating with State Parks. This task provides for up to 6 hours of additional meeting time and up to 8 hours of additional project management time.

Cost Estimate

Dudek has prepared the following cost estimate. Our cost estimate is based on the assumptions given in this proposal.

CEQA Work Program	
Task	Cost Estimate
Task 2A: Draft Revised Project Description and Purpose and Need	\$960.00
Task 3A: Technical Studies	
3A.2: Biological Resources Letter Report Addendum	\$1,950.00
3A.3: Cultural Resources Inventory Memo Addendum	\$1,500.00
Task 4A: Administrative Draft IS/EA and MMP – Agency Review	\$3,780.00
Task 7A: Project Management and Meetings	\$1,800.00
CEQA Work Program Total	\$9,990.00

Should additional technical analyses be required beyond that identified in this scope of work, Dudek would discuss the additional needs with the District to determine if changes to the scope or budget are required. Other factors that could affect the budget include analysis of additional issues above those discussed in this scope of work or a more detailed level of analysis than described in this scope of work, additional meetings, and comments/request for additional analysis on the EA/IS that exceed the assumptions in the budget. Dudek will notify ARD immediately if any of these conditions appear likely. We would propose to renegotiate these items, if required, or charge on a time and materials basis. We look forward to working with ARD on the bike park project.

ARD - Bike Park - CEQA/NEPA Scope Amendment No. 1 - Cost Estimate

Work Program Tasks	Rate (\$/hr):	DUDEK			Technical Specialists		Total Hours	Expenses*	Total Cost
		Principal In-charge \$180	Project Manager \$120	Planning Analyst \$100	dudek bio	dudek cult			
2A - Project Description - revised			8				8		\$960
3A - Technical Studies Biological Resc. Assessment Cultural Resc. Assessment					1950	1500			\$1,950 \$1,500
4A - Admin. Draft EA / IS and MMP - Agency Review		1	20	12			33		\$3,780
5 - Draft IS / MMP / MND									
7A - Project Mgmt. & Meetings		2	12				14		\$1,800
Total labor hours		3	40	12			55		
Total labor costs		\$540	\$4,800	\$1,200	\$1,950	\$1,500			
Total Expenses									
TOTAL		\$540	\$4,800	\$1,200	\$1,950	\$1,500			\$9,990

ALL YELLOW HIGHLIGHT IS AMENDED SCOPE

RED IS EXPLANATION/DISCUSSION

TASK 1: PROJECT INITIATION/SITE RECONNAISSANCE/ DATA COLLECTION

Upon authorization to proceed, Dudek will collect data and review pertinent project documentation and other environmental information relevant to the project site and vicinity. Dudek staff will also conduct a brief site visit for this task and will conduct a kick off meeting with District and Bureau of Reclamation staff (Task 7).

TASK 2: PROJECT DESCRIPTION, ALTERNATIVES, AND PURPOSE AND NEED

The development of a thorough project description is the critical first step in preparing a legally adequate environmental document. Using information provided by the District, Dudek will prepare a detailed Project Description to support the CEQA analysis. While we can do most of the work based on a concept plan, some CEQA inputs generally require 30% - 50% design plans. The Project Description will include a description of the following:

- The existing environmental setting
- The land uses surrounding the site
- Project components, construction techniques, and phasing based on plans and information provided by the District.

Dudek will submit a draft project description to the District for review and comment and will make any necessary revisions prior to moving forward with the environmental analysis. The Project Description graphics will include a site and vicinity map, an aerial photograph displaying project-area boundaries, and photographs, as necessary.

Draft project alternatives and a purpose and need statement will be prepared for NEPA purposes and will be submitted to the District and the Bureau of Reclamation for review and approval.

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This allows for another round of revisions to the project description, which has changed a couple of times now.

TASK 3: TECHNICAL STUDIES

Based on a preliminary review of the project and site characteristics, technical studies may be required to evaluate potential project impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, hazardous materials, noise, and traffic. This task also includes brief documentation efforts regarding air quality/greenhouse gases and hazardous materials. Reports prepared for this task will be included in an Appendix to the IS/EA. The technical studies can be scheduled at ARD's discretion to provide an analysis of site constraints prior to preparing the CEQA document.

Subtask 3.1 Air Quality Analysis Modeling

It is assumed that construction and operation of this project will fall within the Placer County Air Pollution Control District's (APCD's) parameters for projects that are not expected to result in a significant air quality impact and that no formal air quality modeling will be required. Dudek will verify this by consulting with APCD. If APCD directs that modeling is required, Dudek will model air pollutant emissions associated with project construction using the CalEEMod modeling program. This modeling will also include an estimate of greenhouse gas emissions. The results of the modeling and any feasible mitigation measures ensuring project construction impacts remain less than significant will be summarized in the IS/EA. If modeling is not necessary, overall costs for this task would be reduced proportional to the work required.

Subtask 3.2 Wetlands and Biological Constraints Analysis

Dudek will prepare a Biological Resources Assessment letter report to describe conditions on the project site and identify any regulatory constraints in relation to special status species or sensitive habitats that might occur on site. The report will be prepared to meet CEQA and NEPA requirements. Preparation of this analysis will include the following steps:

1. **Project Initiation/Data Collection.** Dudek will review background information (soils, aerial photos, topographic maps, other natural resource documentation and available data).
2. **Database Queries.** Dudek will obtain a report from the California Natural Diversity Database for special status species with potential to occur in the project region. Dudek will also perform a query of the California Native Plant Society database for rare plants with potential to occur in the project area and obtain a list from the USFWS for special status species with potential to occur in the project area.
3. **Field Survey.** Dudek biologists will conduct a reconnaissance level field survey of the study area to identify vegetation and wildlife habitat types, and the potential for special status species or sensitive or regulated habitat types including wetlands that may occur on site. During the field survey, a general inventory of plant and animal species detected by sight, calls, tracks, scat, or other signs will be compiled, as well

as determination of potential sensitive species that could occur on the project site. Recommendations for regulatory compliance will be provided if it is determined that the site could support special status species or regulated habitat types.

4. **Map and Figure Preparation.** Basic figures will be created, including site/vicinity, aerial photo, and site photos figures. This task will also include preparation of a habitat map for the site to depict the extent of biological communities mapped during the field survey.
5. **Report Preparation.** Dudek will prepare a Biological Resources Assessment letter report to disclose findings of the survey and research. The report will provide sufficient detail for use in guiding development and preparing analysis under CEQA and NEPA. The report will include a discussion of the survey methodology and will describe vegetation communities and sensitive biological resources in terms of regional significance and presence on site.

Please note that this proposal does not include additional tasks that could be necessary for regulatory compliance based on the findings of the initial assessment, such as wetland delineation or focused surveys for special status species. Based on initial site review, it is assumed that an appropriate buffer from disturbance can be observed onsite to avoid potential wetlands.

Subtask 3.3 Cultural Resources Inventory

Dudek will complete a cultural resources inventory for the proposed project for purposes of CEQA and NEPA. Dudek understands that the study may need to comply with federal standards as well (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act—NHPA). All of Dudek's cultural resources personnel meet or exceed Secretary of Interior's standards for their respective duties. As summarized below, our study will consist of a records search for a one-mile radius around the project area, initiation of correspondence with the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), a pedestrian survey, and a brief report detailing the study results.

1. **Records Search.** Dudek will complete a records search for a one-mile radius around the project area at the North Central Information Center (NCIC) to obtain information on previously recorded resources and completed resource studies. Dudek is aware that a portion of the historic Pioneer Express Trail may pass through the southern part of the project area and we will do additional archival research to document the presence and condition of this resource.
2. **Correspondence with NAHC.** Dudek will initiate correspondence with the NAHC at the request of the District, and, following response from the NAHC, will contact tribes and tribal individuals listed by the NAHC as potentially having knowledge of Native American resources in the vicinity.
3. **Pedestrian Survey and Report Preparation.** Following archival work, Dudek will conduct an intensive pedestrian survey of the project area. The survey will consist of transects spaced at no more than 10 meters apart, oriented on cardinal directions or according to landscape features (i.e., the canal cutting through the project area). The Pioneer Express Trail is known to pass through or adjacent to the project area and will be analyzed as part of this task. The area is considered of low sensitivity and this scope assumes that the findings will be negative and no recordation of artifacts will be necessary. Dudek will prepare a letter report to disclose the findings of the survey and records search.

Subtask 3.4 Traffic Assessment

Dudek's subconsultant, K.D. Anderson & Associates (KDA) will complete the following tasks to prepare a traffic assessment for the proposed project:

1. **Study Initiation.** KDA will review all project related material, including; site maps, description of planned activities, site access locations, recent and ongoing traffic studies within the study area, and agency transportation planning documents (including general plan circulation elements and traffic impact fee programs).

KDA will discuss the project proponents' expected operational schedule for the project, as well as estimates for site visitation on weekday and weekends. KDA will work with the client to identify preliminary assumptions regarding the number of visitors and their modes of transportation.

2. **Data Collection.** Available relevant data will be collected to provide a database of existing and future conditions. This data would include traffic counts, information regarding existing development in the project vicinity, approved or planned development proposals, roadway improvement plans, etc. KDA will conduct a site visit as part of this task.

Weekday and Saturday 24-hour daily volume counts will be made for the following roadway segments in the vicinity of the project:

- i. Riverview Drive from Skyridge Drive to Maidu Drive
- ii. Skyridge Drive from Valley View Drive to Riverview Drive
- iii. Maidu Drive from Auburn-Folsom Road to Burlin Way

3. **Existing Conditions Analysis.** Based on the data collected in Task 2, "Existing" traffic conditions will be described and evaluated. Roadways will be described in terms of functional classification, roadway geometries, number of travel lanes and current traffic volumes. Roadway Level of Service analysis will be completed based on Auburn General Plan thresholds. A field review will be conducted to identify any pertinent safety issues along alternative routes.
4. **Identify Project Characteristics.** The number of motor vehicle trips expected to be generated by the proposed project will be estimated for weekday and weekend 24 hr periods. KDA's estimates will be based on the project proponents' expectation for seasonal peak site use. The regional distribution of the project generated trips will be estimated based on the general distribution of residences within the ARD boundaries. To assist in trip assignment, a comparative travel time study will be conducted for two alternative routes from the site to downtown Auburn:

- i. Maidu Drive to Auburn-Folsom Road to High Street, and
- ii. Maidu Drive to Riverview Drive to Skyridge Drive to Sacramento Street to Auburn-Folsom Road to High Street.

Trips will be assigned to the existing street system based on logical travel patterns associated with this directional distribution and the results of the travel time survey.

5. **Evaluate Short Term Plus Project Impacts.** The project generated daily trip volumes will be added to "Existing No Project" volumes to obtain the "Existing Plus Project"

traffic volumes. The potential Level of Service impacts of the project will be quantified based on General Plan thresholds, and KDA will make use of the T.I.R.E. Index included in the General Plan Circulation Element to suggest the level of "intrusion" associated with project trips in neighborhoods.

KDA will discuss the extent to which the project may attract bicyclists or pedestrians, acknowledge facilities for these modes and consider whether any applicable conflicts are likely. KDA will assess the relative impact of project traffic on safety issues identified under Task 2 Data Collection.

If significant impacts are identified, KDA will suggest possible mitigation measures.

6. **Evaluate Cumulative Impacts.** KDA will ask the City of Auburn to identify any approved but as yet unconstructed development projects in this area that may add traffic to the study area circulation system. If projects are identified, we will estimate the amount of additional traffic, compare the results to applicable thresholds and assess the significance of cumulative impacts.
7. **Prepare Report.** The analysis conducted in KDA's Tasks 1 through 6 will be summarized in a technical memorandum that summarizes KDA's analysis assumptions and conclusions. The Draft Report will be prepared and submitted to the client for review prior to finalization for use in environmental review.

Exclusions. The following two optional traffic tasks have been identified and could become part of the work program if determined to be necessary by the District.

8. **Assist in Response to Public Comments (Optional).** If needed, KDA will review public and agency comments on the environmental document and prepare written responses. However, as the need for this service is unknown, Task 8 is a separate extra service that would be billed separately if requested and authorized by the client.
9. **Attend Project Team and Public Meetings (Optional).** KDA will be available to attend project team meetings and/or public hearings if requested by the client. However, as the need for KDA's attendance is unknown, this work is not included in the proposed budget and would be an extra service to be billed separately.

Subtask 3.5 Noise Assessment Study

Dudek's subconsultant, j.c. brennan & associates, Inc. (jcb) will complete the following tasks to prepare a noise assessment study for the proposed bike park project:

1. **Noise Criteria.** jcb will identify the noise level standards contained in the City of Auburn General Plan Noise Element and Placer County General Plan which may be applicable to this project.
2. **Existing Noise Environment.** jcb will conduct 2 sets of continuous hourly noise level measurements during the weekday and weekend. The noise level measurements will be conducted at the nearest residential area, and at the project site. The noise level measurements will be conducted to establish the ambient noise environment.

3. **Impacts.** To determine noise levels associated with the bike park, jcb will conduct noise level measurements of a similar bike park. We have identified the Folsom bike park and the Truckee bike park as potential sites. If ARD or the project architect identify a similar facility, we will conduct measurements at that site. The data collected will be used as inputs to the CadnaA noise prediction model. The model accounts for multiple noise sources, frequency content, and the shielding effects of topography. Noise contours will be developed which show the noise associated with the new facility.
4. **Report Preparation.** jcb will provide a written report. The report will contain the results of each previous task in the above-described scope of work, as well as graphics showing noise measurement locations, noise contours, and potential noise mitigation locations as appropriate. The report will be provided in a stand-alone technical format on electronic media and printed hard copy.

Subtask 3.6 Phase I ESA and Geologic Hazards Screening

Since past uses of the site in relation to the dam construction project are unknown at this time, it is necessary to conduct a Phase I ESA for the site as part of the CEQA process. Should it be determined by ARD / USBR that a Phase I is unnecessary, a reduced scope would be provided that would consist of a records search only. This subtask allows for Holdrege & Kull to conduct a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and geologic hazards screening for the Maidu Bike Park site.

H&K's Phase I ESA for the Maidu Bike Park Property will be performed using the ASTM E1527 "Standard Practice for Environmental Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Process" method as a guideline. The report will present findings regarding recognized environmental conditions that may impact the subject properties. The report will also include a site map addressing identified conditions related to geologic hazards associated with the proposed improvements, and results of NOA sampling, if performed (see Subtask 3.7, below).

H&K's proposed investigation is not exhaustive, and no environmental site assessment can wholly eliminate uncertainty regarding the potential for environmental conditions. The ASTM standard should be reviewed for additional information regarding limitations, responsibilities and use of a Phase I ESA. This subtask will include the following:

Records Review

Standard Environmental Record Sources: Federal and State

H&K will review selected, reasonably ascertainable records of state, federal and tribal agency investigations and/or enforcement actions for the subject property and for properties within the ASTM minimum search distances.

Additional Environmental Sources: State and Local

H&K will review selected, reasonably ascertainable state and local regulatory agency records for information pertaining to environmental permits, site investigations, and documented enforcement actions for the subject property and immediately adjacent facilities. Historical Use Information

H&K will review selected, reasonably ascertainable, standard historical sources for information regarding the subject property. Such sources may include fire insurance maps, aerial photographs, city directories, and geological information.

Site Reconnaissance

H&K will perform surface reconnaissance to observe field conditions that may indicate recognized environmental conditions in connection with the property. These conditions may include:

- Obvious location(s) of suspected past and present hazardous substance storage, application, use and disposal;
- Obvious location(s) of above ground and underground storage tanks and pipelines;
- Obvious uses and environmental conditions or concerns as identified by records review or interviews; and
- Land use or facilities adjacent to the site that have an obvious potential to affect the environmental conditions at the subject property.

H&K will request that any pertinent information or helpful documents that Dudek or ARD has, or can obtain, regarding environmental conditions, as-built drawings, environmental permits or registrations, previous assessments for underground tanks, etc., be made available for their use.

Interviews

H&K will interview the key property managers, as identified by the property owner, if such interviews are feasible within the scope of the guidance document. Interviews will be attempted unless you request that we omit this task.

Evaluation and Reporting

H&K will prepare a report to disclose findings of the work program. The report will summarize the findings, discuss significant data gaps encountered during the assessment, and list the recognized environmental conditions that could impact the subject properties.

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Subtask 3.7 Sampling and Analysis for Naturally Occurring Asbestos

If findings of the geologic hazards investigation (Subtask 3.7) indicate that ultramafic rock or naturally occurring asbestos (NOA) materials may be present on or near the property, H&K will collect up to six bulk samples and will conduct analysis of NOA by California Air Resources Board (CARB) Method 435. Level A, "Determination of Asbestos Content of Serpentine Aggregate."

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These tasks are needed to evaluate the additional trails on lands managed by State Parks.

TASK 4: ADMINISTRATIVE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/ ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN

Upon the District's approval of the Project Description, Dudek will prepare an Administrative Draft Initial Study (IS) and Environmental Assessment (EA) following the latest version of CEQA Guidelines Appendix G and NEPA requirements specific to the Bureau of Reclamation and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Guidelines. The IS/EA will identify potential environmental impacts and mitigation measures necessary to reduce project impacts to less-than-significant levels.

The Administrative Draft Mitigation Monitoring Plan (MMP) will be submitted to the District with the IS/EA and will provide a plan for implementing the mitigation measures identified in the IS/EA. The MMP will identify:

- The party(ies) responsible for implementation of mitigation measures
- The party(ies) responsible for monitoring of mitigation measures
- Time frames for implementation and monitoring of mitigation measures
- Performance criteria to be used in the monitoring actions
- Funding sources for each mitigation measure, where available.

The Administrative Draft IS/EA and MMP will be submitted to the District in electronic format for review and comment and to be shared with the Bureau of Reclamation.

TASK 4A: ADMINISTRATIVE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/ ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN – SEPARATE REVIEW BY STATE PARKS AND BUREAU OF RECLAMATION – AND PCWA

The Administrative Draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment would be prepared under Task 4 of Dudek's original scope. ARD would provide the initial round of internal review prior to circulating the document to federal and State agencies. In discussions with the District we've determined that the Administrative Draft IS/EA will require separate review by the Bureau of Reclamation (NEPA Lead Agency) and California State Parks (CEQA Responsible /

Trustee Agency). Task 4A provides for internal review to include these agencies and provides for an initial submittal to solicit comments and edits and a second "Screencheck" submittal to check that agency comments are incorporated satisfactorily and to solicit and incorporate any additional comments prior to circulating the document for public review. Task 4A provides for approximately 24 hours of Dudek staff time (48 hours total) for each round of review to allow for coordination, review and incorporation of agency comments on the Administrative Draft IS/EA. All draft submittals will be in electronic format.

Explanation: Task 4A provides for ARD to review the document internally, and for edits to be made before the document goes to the Bureau of Reclamation. It provides for two separate rounds of comments with State Parks and the Bureau of Reclamation. In doing this crosswalk I noticed that Task 5 of the original SOW includes two rounds of comments with the Bureau and the District, so Task 4A has been revised to instead add two rounds for PCWA and State Parks. I think State Parks and PCWA will be easier, so I've revised the hours down. This does not include the County, but we're approaching the County as a commenting agency rather than a partner in the project.

**TASK 5: DRAFT IS/EA, MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN,
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION/
NOTICE OF INTENT**

Dudek will revise the Administrative Draft IS/EA and MMP to incorporate comments provided by District staff and prepare the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND/EA) and MMP along with a Notice of Intent to adopt an MND. This work program assumes that two rounds of comments and revisions with the Bureau and the District will be necessary to arrive at a draft for public circulation. Dudek will provide the District with one electronic copy of the Draft MND/EA and MMP.

After the District has approved the Notice of Intent, Dudek will arrange for the notice to be published in the newspaper (Auburn Journal) and filed with the County Clerk-Recorder's office as required under CEQA and will mail the notice to other interested parties identified on a list provided by the District. The cost of publishing the notice in the newspaper will be the responsibility of the District and is not included in our cost estimate. It is assumed that the District will also email the notice to interested individuals and may post the notice to the District webpage. This work program assumes that the District will be responsible for document reproduction and distribution, and fees associated with filing the document with the County Clerk-Recorder's office, including the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) CEQA review fee (effective January 1, 2014 fees for MND are \$2,181.25). It is further assumed that the Bureau of Reclamation will be responsible for noticing required under NEPA.

**TASK 6: RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS, REVISED (FINAL)
IS/EA, MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, NOTICE OF
DETERMINATION**

After the close of the public circulation period, Dudek will review any comments received on the draft document and consult with the District regarding any substantive comments. Dudek will prepare written responses to up to 15 individual comments. Any changes to the text of the IS/EA as a result of comments received will be made. Dudek will submit the responses to comments and revised IS/EA (if applicable) to the District in electronic format for review. It

should be noted that CEQA does not require a formal response to comments, requiring only that they are considered by the decision-making body.

Upon approval of the CEQA document, Dudek will prepare a Notice of Determination and file it with the County Clerk-Recorder's office and the State Office of Planning and Research within five working days. The filing of this notice begins a 30-day statute of limitations on challenges to the approved CEQA document. The CDFW fee noted under Task 5 will be due upon the filing of this notice.

TASK 7: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND MEETINGS

Project Management includes consultation and communication with District staff, subconsultants, and regulatory agencies. This task also assumes participation in four meetings with the District and/or the Bureau of Reclamation, and attendance at one District Board of Directors' meeting. Dudek staff is available to attend additional meetings and public hearings on a time and materials basis. Project organization and budget and schedule management is also included in this task.

TASK 7A: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND MEETINGS

Task 7A provides for additional Project Management for consultation and communication with District staff, subconsultants, and regulatory agencies. This task provides for Dudek participation in up to four additional meetings with the District and/or the Bureau of Reclamation and State Parks. Dudek staff has attended several meetings to date for the purposes of meeting with Placer County Water Agency, coordinating with the project engineer and ARD staff, reviewing revised plans, and evaluating trail alignments and coordinating with State Parks. This task provides for up to 10 hours of additional meeting time and up to 12 hours of additional project management time.

This task is required due to additional agency involvement that was determined to be necessary after initial project meetings and as a result of adding the connector trail on State Parks lands to the proposed project. Dudek has attended several meetings for this project that were necessary to interface with agency staff, provide preliminary evaluation of proposed changes in the project description, and gain context for the environmental analysis going forward, and has had numerous phone conversations, email exchanges and provided updated detailed schedules several times to support project planning and design. These meetings and communications were important but were not anticipated by the original work program. The additional meetings included in Task 7A are necessary to complete the environmental review process. This task further provides for project management of the technical specialists conducting the field work and review of draft reports.

Auburn State Recreation Area

Trail Re-routes for Proposed ARD Bike Park

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet



Trail Re-route Option #2:
Re-align Existing Trail Through Proposed Bike Park Area

Trail Re-route Option #1:
Improve Shoulder of Road to Provide a Through Route for Trail Traffic

- Existing Trails
- Trail Re-route Option #1 - Improve Road Shoulder
- Trail Re-route Option #2 - Re-align Existing Trail

Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, 16PP, swisstopo, and the GIS User Community

Item 8.1 Cover sheet – Atwood III Pond Improvement Project

Auburn Area Recreation and Park District Acquisition and Development Meeting March, 2015; Board of Directors meeting March, 2015

THE ISSUE

Shall the Auburn Area Recreation and Park District (ARD) consider approval of a proposed project to improve the pond at the Atwood III development, and shall ARD consider funding a portion of the project?

BACKGROUND

ARD owns and manages a 10.69 acre nature preserve and small park at the Atwood III development. Management of this nature preserve and park is governed by a Management Plan developed in coordination with the Army Corp of Engineers (Corp). Part of the management plan calls for annual biological inspections by a qualified biologist. These inspections are currently being done by ECORP Consulting. The property also has a Conservation Easement held by the Placer County Resource Conservation District (RCD).

In 2004, after gaining property owner ballot support, the benefit assessments were first established to provide funding the installation, maintenance and servicing of landscaping, park and recreation facilities at the Atwood III nature preserve and park.

The Atwood III Home Owners Association (HOA) has approached ARD regarding a plan to improve the pond that is featured prominently as part of the nature preserve. Their plan, *as described by Mike Greene, Atwood HOA President*, is as follows:

The Atwood III HOA Board on behalf of residents proposes the following items to the ARD:

- 1) *Permission to remove vegetation and sediment from the Atwood pond between Atwood Rd and Vaquero Vista Dr. by our contracted engineer service.*

The related engineering plan will displace 5 yards per 20 feet sediment; it will remove dead brush and native invasive willows. None of the pond bank shall be removed. Entry and exit from the pond will be from the shoreline.

We are asking to remove 100% of the cattails, but if the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and the CORP reduce that percentage we hope the remainder will be enough to reclaim the greater area of the pond that has been lost. If the ARD Board and Placer Conservation District can keep with the State and Federal permitting determination that would be great. We hope they will not impose a greater restriction and make the effort in effect meaningless.

2) Permission to install an aerator and pump (model# MPC120A) in the pond and on the pond shore to enhance oxygenation and restore water flow. The aerator pump shall be located outside the pond on the shore near 38.93441498 latitude and -121.10670391 longitude. Please see attached map for approximate pump location. It will be a low profile model secured and obscured among a grouping of shoreline rocks.

The first of two aerators will run from the pump along the pond floor ending near 38.93444133 latitude and -121.10778851 longitude. The second of two aerators will run from the pump along the pond floor ending near 38.93425246 latitude and -121.10771792 longitude. Each aerator will be a ½" hose secured to the pond floor with cinder blocks. Please see attached map for approximate aerator locations.

The aerator is more of a bubbler. No fountain or above water misting. There has been some talk about this and what would be better but right now the HOA is keeping the scope to below the water surface.

3) Lastly we are asking the board to help fund 12.5% of the onetime cost for this project, or approximately \$6250.00. The HOA will pay the additional monthly utility cost of the pump, as it does with the park lawn and trees. If ARD Board approves, upon project completion any ongoing pond maintenance, equipment repairs and/or replacements can be provided through our contracted Pond Management Service Provider in compliance with ARD Board regulation.

In addition to the approval from ARD Board we are seeking the approval of the following permits from the State and Federal agencies;

- * 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification from Fish and Wildlife.
- * Clean Water Act Section 404 Nationwide Permit 27 Preconstruction Notification from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

We have contracted with ECorp Consulting to obtain the above permits from the State and Feds.

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Staff feels that these improvements could help the health of the pond. While ARD has no obligation to make any improvements to the pond, most of these improvements would create a better amenity for homeowners and park visitors.

Staff has some concerns about the 100% removal of the cattails and vegetation. Perhaps a modified percentage would be more acceptable.

In the end, the Placer County Resource Conservation District, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Army Corp of Engineers must approve all proposed plans, so some of the concerns about the cattails removal may be regulated by one of these agencies.

Staff also does not support funding this project for the requested \$6,250. Staff suggests a 5% number. This 5% number mirrors the General Benefit funding that ARD provides each year as part of the Lighting and Landscape District budget.

The Acquisition and Development Committee recommends approval of the project, with similar notes and modifications as found in staff's recommendation.

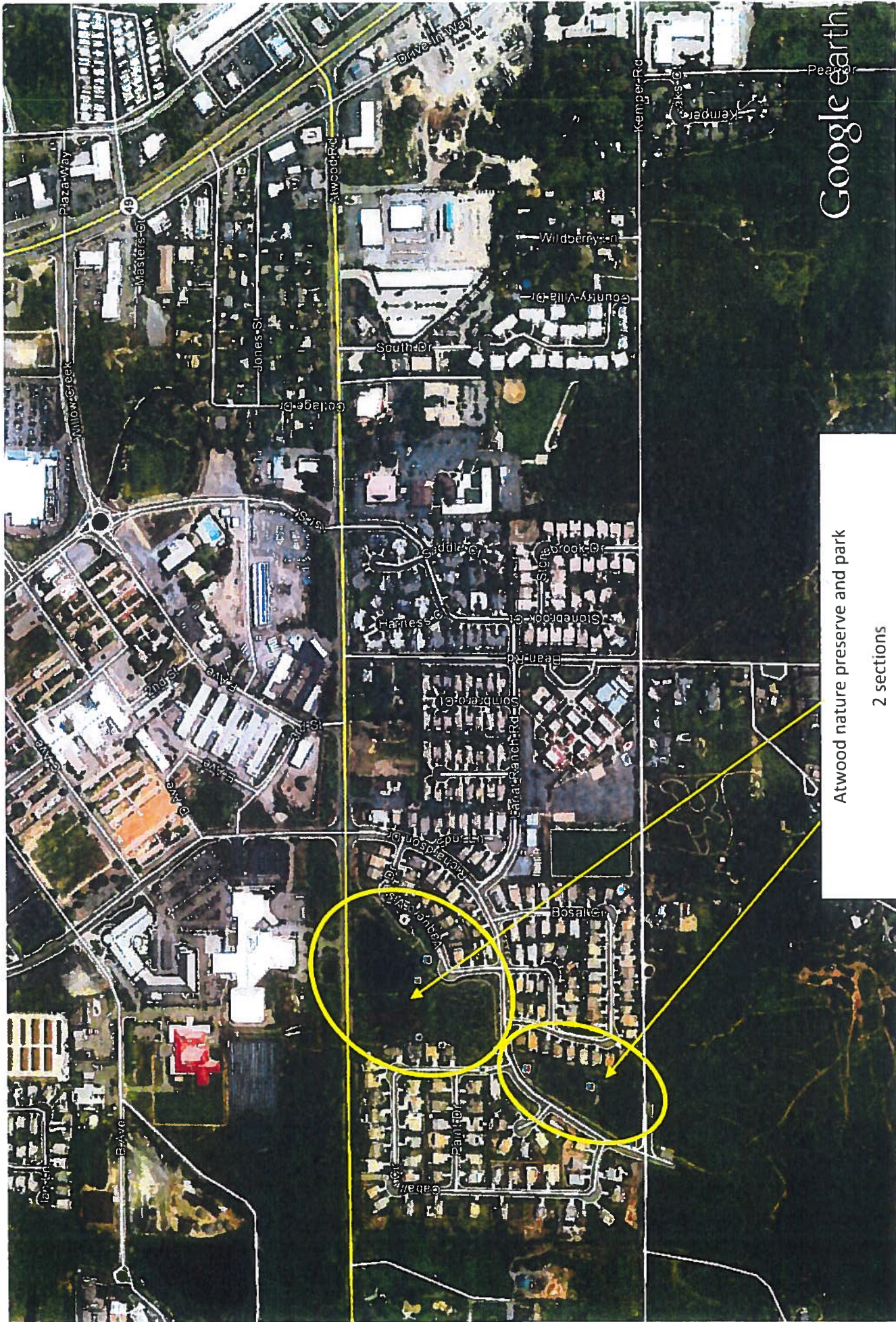
FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact to ARD, as suggested by the HOA, is \$6,250.

The fiscal impact to ARD, as suggested by staff, is an estimated \$2,500.

ATTACHMENTS

Aerial photograph of the Atwood III nature preserve and park
Photographs of the pond at Atwood III



Google earth

Atwood nature preserve and park
2 sections



Item 8.2 Cover sheet – FY 2015/2016 Project List and Ten Year Plan Update

Auburn Area Recreation and Park District Acquisition and Development Committee Meeting February, 2015; March, 2015; ARD Board of Directors Meeting March, 2015

The Issue

Shall the Auburn Area Recreation and Park District (ARD) Board of Directors direct staff to begin preliminary work and provide appropriate environmental analysis of the projects on the proposed FY 15/16 Project List?

Background

ARD staff provides a proposed Project List for each Fiscal Year. This Project List is based off of projects incorporated in the Ten Year Project List as well as any new needs proposed by the community, staff and Board.

The Ten Year Project List is comprised of those projects deemed to be of the highest priority and reflects the District's goal to address needed existing infrastructure upgrades, bring new features into the existing park system and complete potential land acquisition and new park development.

A description of each project is attached.

Recommendation for the Board of Directors

Staff recommends that the ARD Board of Directors direct ARD staff to begin preliminary work and provide appropriate environmental analysis of the projects on the proposed FY 15/16 Project List.

The A&D Committee recommended the same.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of the FY 15/16 Project List is indicated on that document.
The fiscal impact of the Ten Year Project List is indicated on those documents.

Attachments

FY 15/16 Project Descriptions
Ten Year Project List, including FY 15/16 Project List

FY 2015/2016 proposed Project List

Project Description

The following is a brief discussion of the proposed projects for the FY 15/16 Project List

Recreation Park

Bocce ball courts: This project is a carry over from the FY 14/15 Project List. Completion (and related expenses for the project) will take place in FY 15/16.

Regional Park

Dry Creek picnic area ADA improvements: This project entails creating an ADA path of travel to a new ADA compliant picnic table at the Dry Creek picnic area (north end of Regional Park).

Regional Shop Path of Travel (POT): Approximately 350' of walking pathway connects the large parking lot in front of the gymnasium to the Regional Park shop bathrooms. This pathway is not ADA compliant. This project would make that pathway ADA compliant and add a couple of ADA parking stalls at the south end of the parking lot, near the pathway.

Pickle ball courts: This project is a carry over from the FY 14/15 Project List. Completion will occur either at the end of FY 14/15 or the beginning of FY 15/16. Expenses for the project will be put into FY 15/16.

Railhead Park

Playground/Shade Structure/Hardscape: This project is a carry over from the FY 14/15 Project List. Completion (and related expenses for the project) will take place in FY 15/16.

Railhead B renovation . This project was removed from the FY 14/15 Project List due to drought concerns. As proposed, this project would involve the "skinning" of the field, adding 75 tons of fairway grade sand (for drainage), fertilization and slit seeding Bermuda grass. Drought concerns in 2015 will most likely lead to this project being pushed back again.

Railhead bathroom ADA compliance: This project entails making the bathroom ADA compliant. This project is very similar in scope to the ADA work that was done in the Ashford Park and Recreation Park bathrooms.

Operation and Development Plan

This project/plan is a carry over from the FY 14/15 Project List. Some of the work (and expenses) occurred in 2014/2015, however the plan will not be completed until FY 15/16.

Bell Rd.

Design, planning, CEQA and Conditional Use Permit work: This work will be started this year assuming that ARD receives grant funding from the Stewardship Council.

Should the Stewardship Council grant us the funding in FY 15/16, ARD will begin design and planning work on the project, which will also include at least the beginning of CEQA review.

Canyon View Community Center

Pump Track/Bike Park – Design/CEQA/Construction: the design and CEQA work on this project is a carry over from FY 14/15. Some of the expenses have already occurred and been expensed in FY 14/15. The remainder will be expensed to FY 15/16.

The estimated costs for the Bike Park project have also increased by \$34,000. This extra cost is to cover increased engineering and CEQA costs, as well as costs to establish trail re-routes.

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2015/2016

Estimated balance

55,031 649,928 441,800 192,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
Recreation Park							
Bocce Ball ³	100,000			40,000	60,000		
Regional Park							
Dry Creek Picnic ADA improvements	15,000	15,000					
Reg Shop POT	30,000	30,000					
Pickleball court conversion ³	23,250			15,000			8,250
Railhead Park							
Playground (incl. USBR fee) ¹	61,218		5,218	38,000	18,000		
Shade Struct.;hardscape; incl. USBR ¹	125,000	10,000	3,200	83,800	28,000		
Railhead B renovation	50,000		50,000				
Railhead bathroom ADA compliance	25,000			15,000	10,000		
Operation & Development Plan							
CEQA/NEPA costs (continued)	20,000		20,000				
Bell Rd²							
Design & Planning	125,000					125,000	
CEQA	100,000					100,000	
Conditional Use Permit	50,000					50,000	
CVCC							
Bike Park - Design, CEQA (continued)	50,000		45,000				5,000
Bike Park construction	175,000			67,300	20,000		87,700
TOTAL	949,468	55,000	123,418	259,100	136,000	275,000	100,950
Estimated Balance Remaining		31	526,510	182,700	56,435		

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Note¹: Forwarded from FY 13/14 Project List

Note²: assumes money being available from the Stewardship Council and other grant sources

Note³: Forwarded from FY 14/15 Project List

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2016/2017

Estimated balance

5,031 551,510 232,700 66,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
Recreation Park							
Bocce picnic area	40,000			20,000	20,000		
Sierra Pool replaster + updates	100,000						Equip.fund
Placer Hills Pool							
POT	10,000		10,000				
Meadow Vista Park							
Parking lot reseal/restripe	10,000		10,000				
Pond & Island renov	70,000		70,000				
Overlook Park							
Restroom ADA upgrades	10,000		10,000				
Overlook area planning/CEQA	70,000		50,000		20,000		
TOTAL	310,000	0	150,000	20,000	40,000	0	0
Estimated Balance Remaining		5,031	401,510	212,700	26,435		0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Note²: assumes money being available from the Stewardship Council and other grant sources

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2017/2018

Estimated balance

10,031 426,510 262,700 36,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Regional Park</i>							
Kiosks	10,000		10,000				
POT tennis courts	41,500		41,500				
<i>Bell Rd²</i>							
ROW improvements	250,000					250,000	
Sitework	200,000					200,000	
Permits	30,000					30,000	
Tree mitig	40,000					40,000	
Fencing	50,000					50,000	
Parking Lot	120,000					120,000	
Int roadways	120,000					120,000	
Restroom	100,000					100,000	
Nature Playground	100,000					100,000	
Landscaping	75,000					75,000	
Irrigation	75,000					75,000	
Shade structures	60,000					60,000	
Walking path	205,000					205,000	
<i>Overlook Park</i>							
Overlook area development	150,000		30,000	100,000	20,000		
TOTAL	1,626,500	0	81,500	100,000	20,000	1,425,000	0
Estimated Balance Remaining		10,031	345,010	162,700	16,435		0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Note²: assumes money being available from the Stewardship Council and other grant sources

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2018/2019

Estimated balance 15,031 370,010 212,700 26,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Regional Park</i>							
Tennis courts surfaces	100,000		100,000				
<i>Bell Road²</i>							
Shade structure	60,000			60,000			
TOTAL	160,000	0	100,000	60,000	0	0	0
Estimated Balance Remaining		15,031	270,010	152,700	26,435	0	0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Note²: assumes money being available from the Stewardship Council and other grant sources

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2019/2020

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
Estimated balance		20,031	295,010	202,700	46,435		
Meadow Vista							
Tennis courts resurface	25,000		25,000				
Pickle ball resurface	25,000		25,000				
Bell Road²							
Shade structure	60000			60000			
TOTAL	110,000	0	50,000	60,000	0	0	0
Estimated Balance Remaining		20,031	245,010	142,700	46,435	0	0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Note²: assumes money being available from the Stewardship Council and other grant sources

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2020/2021

Estimated balance 25,031 270,010 192,700 56,435 0 0

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Recreation Park</i>							
Front playground	120,000		20,000	100,000			
Shade structure pool	50,000		50,000				
TOTAL	170,000	0	70,000	100,000	0	0	0

Estimated Balance Remaining 25,031 200,010 92,700 56,435 0 0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2021/2022

Estimated balance 30,031 225,010 142,700 66,435 0 75,000

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Regional Park</i>							
M.P. Field impr. incl. plan/CEQA	250,000		90,000	85,000			75,000
TOTAL	250,000	0	90,000	85,000	0	0	75,000
Estimated Balance Remaining		30,031	135,010	57,700	66,435	0	0

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2022/2023

Estimated balance 35,031 160,010 107,700 76,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Meadow Vista</i>							
Signage	1,200	1,200					
<i>Regional Park</i>							
Pond leak Repair	95,000		95,000				
TOTAL	96,200	1,200	95,000	0	0		

Estimated Balance Remaining 33,831 65,010 107,700 76,435

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Auburn Recreation District Ten Year Project List

2023/2024

Estimated balance 38,831 90,010 157,700 86,435

PROJECT	Est. Cost	ADA	Reserve	Cnty. Mit.	City Mit.	Grants	In Kind
<i>Regional Park</i>							
Upgrade water system	50,000		50,000				
Pond mucking	75,000		75,000				
TOTAL	125,000	0	125,000	0	0		
Estimated Balance Remaining		38,831	-34,990	157,700	86,435		

Note: Assumes \$50,000/year in County Mitigation Fees

Note: Assumes \$5000/year in ADA reserve funds

Note: Assumes \$10,000/year in city mitigation

Note: Assumes \$25,000 added to FCC per year

Item 8.3 Cover sheet – Project Notification Procedure -Amendment

Auburn Area Recreation and Park District (ARD) March, 2014 Policy Committee; March, 2015; Board of Directors meeting March, 2015

The Issue

Shall the Auburn Area Recreation and Park District amend its policy regarding project notification to allow for further notification, if appropriate?

Background

ARD has a policy regarding project notification signs. That policy is as follows:

XVIII. ARD Project Sign Policy

In an effort to keep the public informed about upcoming projects, the Auburn Area Recreation and Park District has adopted the following policies regarding notification at the project site.

- A. Timeline for posting project signs. A sign should be posted at the site of the proposed project after conceptual work has been done. This would generally allow for the sign to be posted for at least one month prior to any Board votes.
- B. When a project sign is needed. A sign should be posted at the site for any project that will significantly alter the appearance of that park or facility. Signs would be erected any time a proposed project would create a significant change altering the use of an existing facility or if a new one is being planned.
- C. Sign components. All signs shall contain a brief description of the project; bullet points of details regarding the project; date the Board intends to vote on the project; who to contact about the project.

Information regarding the noticing requirement per CEQA is attached.

ARD currently has project signs posted at following sites for the following proposed projects:

- Maidu Dr. for the Bike Park
- Recreation Park for bocce ball courts

Additionally, ARD has signs posted on each tennis court at Regional Park for the proposed pickle ball court conversion.

Recommendation for the Board of Directors

The ARD Policy Committee recommends adding the following subsection to the ARD Project Sign Policy”

- D. On each project, review the other elements of the sign policy to see if further notification is appropriate.

Staff recommends amending the policy to include this language.

Fiscal Impact

N/A

Attachments

CEQA notification information.

Public Notice and Land Use Planning: An Overview

III. CEQA

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code §21000, et seq.) includes many procedural requirements that the practitioner must keep track of, including those for notice and review. This section will cover the three basic steps of CEQA and the related requirements under exemptions, negative declarations, and environmental impact reports (EIR).

It is important to note that as intended by the Legislature, the legal requirements for providing public notice under CEQA will, under normal circumstances, be met when the agency "makes a good faith effort to follow the procedures prescribed by law" (*Newberry Springs Water Association v. County of San Bernardino* (1984) 150 Cal.App. 3d 740).

Exemptions:

CEQA exempts a number of specific types of projects from its provisions under two broad categories of exemptions, statutory and categorical. After approving a project for which an exemption was employed, the lead agency may file a Notice of Exemption with the county clerk and, when the lead agency is a state agency, OPR. Notices of Exemption must be available for inspection within 24 hours and remain posted for a minimum of **30 days**. When filed with the county clerk, at the end of the 30 days the clerk must return the notice to the lead agency who must then retain it for not less than 9 months. The filing of this notice begins a **35 day** statute of limitations on legal challenges to the agency's decision. If a notice is not filed, a **180 day** statute of limitations applies from the date the project is approved, or commencement of the project where no formal approval is required.

Negative Declaration:

A negative declaration may be adopted when there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record that the project may result in a significant adverse environmental effect. This would include projects for which a potential effect was identified, but revisions or mitigation measures imposed on the project will avoid the effect or reduce it to a level of insignificance (mitigated negative declaration).

A lead agency must provide notice of the intent to adopt a negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration to the public, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and the county clerk of each county within which the proposed project is located (CEQA Guidelines §15072). The county clerk must post the notice within 24 hours of receipt. The notice of intent shall provide a review period of not less than **20 days**. When submitted to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies, the review period must not be less than **30 days**, unless a shorter review period, of not less than **20 days**, is approved by the Clearinghouse (Public Resources Code §21091).

The lead agency must mail the notice of intent to the last known name and address of all organizations and individuals who have previously requested notice and shall also provide notice in at least one of the following ways to allow time for public review consistent with the previously stated time limits:

- (a) Publication at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the proposed project. If more than one area is affected, the notice shall be published in the newspaper of largest circulation from among the newspapers of general circulation in those areas;
- (b) Posting of notice on and off-site in the area where the project is to be located; or
- (c) Direct mailing to the owners and occupants of contiguous property shown on the latest equalized assessment roll.

Notice must be given to transportation planning agencies and public agencies with transportation facilities within their jurisdiction for projects which have statewide, regional, or areawide significance (Public Resources Code §21092.4).

A lead agency is not precluded from providing additional notice by other means, nor is it precluded from providing the notice at the same time and in the same manner as the public notice required by any other laws pertaining to the project so long as the appropriate CEQA noticing requirements are met.

The notice of intent must include all of the following (CEQA Guidelines §15072):

- (a) Project description and location
- (b) Review periods including the beginning and ending dates for which the lead agency will accept comments. If a shortened review period is approved, the notice must state that it will be a shortened review period.
- (c) The date, time, and place of any scheduled public meetings or hearing to be held by the lead agency on the proposed project, when known to the agency at the time the notice is given.
- (d) The address(es) where copies of the negative declaration may be obtained or reviewed during business hours, including any revisions or mitigations to the project and all project related documents.
- (e) Statement of the sites presence on any of the lists compiled by the Department of Toxic Substances Control(Cal-EPA) under Government Code §65962.5 including, but not limited to hazardous waste facilities, hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites, and the information in the Hazardous Waste and Substances Statement required under subsection (f) of that section.
- (f) Any other information specifically required by statute or regulation for a particular project or project type.

The lead agency must file a Notice of Determination within **5 working days** (15075(d)) after it approves a project. If a local agency is the lead agency, the notice must be filed with the county clerk of the county or counties in which the project will be located. If the project requires discretionary approval from a state agency, or a state agency is the lead agency, the notice must also be filed with the State Clearinghouse. The Notice of Determination must be posted and available for public inspection for a period of at least **30 days** (CEQA Guidelines §15094).

Filing a Notice of Determination within the 5 working days begins a **30 day** statute of limitations on court challenges to approval. Otherwise, the statute of limitations is **180 days** from the date the decision to carry out or approve the project is made, or commencement of the project where no formal approval is required (CEQA Guidelines §15112).

Environmental Impact Report (EIR):

Notice of Preparation:

When the lead agency determines that an EIR is required for a project, it must circulate a Notice of Preparation (NOP) to each Responsible and Trustee Agency advising them of its intention to prepare a Draft EIR (CEQA Guidelines §15082). In addition, if one or more state agencies is a responsible or trustee agency, the NOP should be sent to the State Clearinghouse along with a list of the agencies that should review the project.

A Responsible Agency includes any public agency, other than the lead agency, which has discretionary approval power over a project (CEQA Guidelines §15381). A Trustee Agency is a state agency having jurisdiction by law over natural resources affected by a project which are held in trust for the people of California (CEQA Guidelines §15386) including: California Department of Fish and Game, State Lands Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, and the University of California for particular lands.

Public Resources Code §21080.4 further provides that the lead agency must convene a scoping meeting upon the request of any affected responsible or trustee agency. Additionally, CEQA Guidelines §15083.5 requires that a lead agency send a copy of the Notice of Preparation to each public water system which serves or would serve projects meeting specific criteria including amendments to general and specific plans, hotel and motels with more than 500 rooms, and others. The lead agency shall request that the system both indicate whether the water demand associated with the project was incorporated into its last urban water management plan and whether its total project supplies will meet the projected water demand associated with the proposed project in addition to the system's existing and planned future uses.

The minimum content requirements for an NOP include (CEQA Guidelines §15082(a)(1)):

- Description of the project;
- Location of the project indicated on an attached map (preferably a topographical map), or by a street address in an urbanized area;
- Salient environmental issues; and
- Probable environmental effects of the project.

When an agency receives an NOP, a **30 calendar day** review period begins. Each agency must provide the lead agency with a response within the 30 days. The response must provide specific detail about the scope and content of the environmental information related to the responsible or trustee agency's area of responsibility over the project (CEQA Guidelines §15103).

Draft EIR:

At such time as the draft EIR is completed, a Notice of Completion must be filed with the State Clearinghouse. The notice must include a brief description of the project, the proposed location of the project, an address where copies of the draft EIR are available, and the period during which comments will be received on the draft EIR (CEQA Guidelines §15085).

When the lead agency sends the Notice of Completion to the State Clearinghouse, it must also provide public notice of the availability of the draft EIR. The notice and opportunity for public review must not be less than **30 days** nor should it normally be longer than **60 days**. When submitted to the State Clearinghouse for review by state agencies, the review period must not be less than **45 days**, unless the Clearinghouse grants a shorter period of not less than **30 days** (CEQA Guidelines §15105).

The notice of availability must be mailed to the last known name and address of organizations and individuals who have previously requested such notice in writing, and must also be given following one of the following procedures:

1. Published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the affected by the project. If more than one area is affected, the notice must be published in the newspaper of largest circulation from among the newspapers of general circulation in those areas;
2. Posting by the lead agency on and off-site in the area where the project is proposed to be located; or
3. Direct mailing to owners and occupants of property contiguous to the parcel or parcels on which the project is located. Owners of such property shall be identified as shown on the latest equalized assessment roll.

Additional notice may also be given by any other means deemed appropriate by the agency and may be given at the same time and in the same manner as public notice otherwise required by law for the project.

The public notice must disclose all of the following (CEQA Guidelines §415087):

1. Project description and location
2. Review periods including the beginning and ending dates for which the lead agency will accept comments. If a shortened review period is approved, the notice must state that it will be a shortened review period.
3. The date, time, and place of any scheduled public meetings or hearing to be held by the lead agency on the proposed project, when known to the agency at the time the notice is given.
4. A list of the significant environmental effects anticipated as a result of the project, to the extent which the effects are known to the lead agency at the time of the notice.
5. The address(es) where copies of the draft EIR and all documents referenced in the EIR will be available for review. This location shall be readily accessible to the public during normal working hours.
6. Statement of the sites presence on any of the lists compiled by the Department of Toxic Substances Control(Cal-EPA) under Government Code §465962.5 including, but not limited to hazardous waste facilities, hazardous waste property, hazardous waste disposal sites, and the information in the Hazardous Waste and Substances Statement required under subsection (f) of that section.

The Notice of Availability must be posted in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project will be located for a period of at least **30 days**. The county clerk must post such notices within **24 hours** of receipt.

CEQA Guidelines §15086 requires lead agencies to consult with and request comments on the draft EIR from responsible agencies, trustee agencies, other state, federal, and local agencies which exercise authority over resources which may be affected by the project, and may also consult with any person who has special expertise in any environmental effect involved.

Draft EIRs subject to state agency review or which are of statewide, regional, or areawide significance must be distributed through the State Clearinghouse (CEQA Guidelines §15087(d), §15206). Clearinghouse distribution provides assurance that all state permitting agencies will be notified of the review period and are given the opportunity to respond. When submitted to the State Clearinghouse, the public review period must be at least as long as the review period established by the Clearinghouse (CEQA Guidelines §15087(e)). Similarly, lead agencies are encouraged to use areawide clearinghouses for distributing documents to regional and local agencies.

In order to promote the public participation goals of CEQA, lead agencies are encouraged to use the public library system to make EIRs available to the public.

Recirculation:

CEQA Guidelines §15088.5 requires that an EIR which has been made available for public review, but not yet certified, be recirculated whenever significant new information has been added to the EIR. The entire document need not be circulated if revisions are limited to specific portions of the document. The recirculated portions or document must be sent to responsible and trustee agencies for consultation and fresh public notice must be given in the manner provided for a draft EIR.

Final EIR:

Lead agencies must provide a written response to comments made on the draft EIR by each public agency at least **10 days** prior to the certification of the final EIR, pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092.5.

The lead agency may certify the EIR and approve the project simultaneously, or it may wait to approve the project at a later date subject to the time limitations of the Permit Streamlining Act.

The lead agency must file a Notice of Determination within **5 working days** after approval of a project by the lead agency. If a local agency is the lead agency, the notice shall be filed with the county clerk of the county or counties in which the project will be located. If the project requires discretionary approval from a state agency, or a state agency is the lead agency, the notice shall also be filed with the State Clearinghouse. The Notice of Determination must be posted and available for public inspection for a period of at least **30 days** (CEQA Guidelines §15094).

Filing a Notice of Determination within the **5 working days** begins a **30 day** statute of limitations to court challenges. Otherwise, the statute of limitations is **180 days** from the date the decision to carry out or approve the project is made, or commencement of the project where no formal approval is required (CEQA Guidelines §15112).

CEQA by itself does not require a public hearing on any project. Its provisions require notice and afford opportunities to comment on a project. The specific public notice and hearing requirements for land use projects are discussed in the following section.

Next: [Public Hearing Notices for Land Use Projects](#)

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SECTION: 8.0

**ITEM: 8.4 CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CALL FOR
NOMINATIONS SEAT A**

DESCRIPTION:

INFORMATION: SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION: REVIEW INFORMATION, PROVIDE DIRECTION**



**California Special
Districts Association**
Districts Stronger Together

DATE: February 20, 2015

TO: CSDA Voting Member Presidents and General Managers

FROM: CSDA Elections and Bylaws Committee

**SUBJECT: CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
SEAT A**

The Elections and Bylaws Committee is looking for Independent Special District Board Members or their General Managers who are interested in leading the direction of the California Special Districts Association for the 2016 - 2018 term.

The leadership of CSDA is elected from its six geographical networks. Each of the six networks has three seats on the Board with staggered 3-year terms. Candidates must be affiliated with an independent special district that is a CSDA regular member located within the geographic network that they seek to represent. (See attached Network Map)

The CSDA Board of Directors is the governing body responsible for all policy decisions related to CSDA's member services, legislative advocacy, education and resources. The Board of Directors is crucial to the operation of the Association and to the representation of the common interests of all California's special districts before the Legislature and the State Administration. Serving on the Board requires one's interest in the issues confronting special districts statewide.

Commitment and Expectations:

- Attend all Board meetings, held every other month at the CSDA office in Sacramento.
- Participate on at least one committee, meets 3-5 times a year at the CSDA office in Sacramento.
(CSDA reimburses Directors for their related expenses for Board and committee meetings as outlined in Board policy).
- Attend CSDA's two annual events: Special District Legislative Days (held in the spring) and the CSDA Annual Conference (held in the fall).
- **Complete all four modules of CSDA's Special District Leadership Academy within 2 years.**
(CSDA does not reimburse for expenses for the two conferences or the Academy classes even if a Board or committee meeting is held in conjunction with the events).

Nomination Procedures: Any Regular Member is eligible to nominate one person, a board member or managerial employee (as defined by that district's Board of Directors), for election to the CSDA Board of Directors. **A copy of the member district's resolution or minute action and Candidate Information Sheet must accompany the nomination. The deadline for receiving nominations is May 22, 2015.** Nominations and supporting documentation may be mailed or faxed.

Nominees will receive a Candidate's Packet in the mail. The packet will include campaign guidelines.

CSDA will mail ballots on June 5th. The ballots must be received by CSDA no later than 5:00 p.m. August 7, 2015 and must be the original ballot (no faxes or e-mails). The successful candidates will be notified no later than August 10th. All selected Board Members will be introduced at the Annual Conference in Monterey, CA in September.

Expiring Terms

(See enclosed map for regional breakdown)

Northern Network	Seat A John Woolley, Manila Community Services District
Sierra Network	Seat A Noelle Mattock, El Dorado Hills Community Services District*
Bay Area Network	Seat A <i>Currently vacant</i>
Central Network	Seat A Joel Bauer, West Side Cemetery District*
Coastal Network	Seat A Elaine Freeman, Rancho Simi Recreation & Park District
Southern Network	Seat A Jo MacKenzie, Vista Irrigation District*

(* = Incumbent is running for re-election)

If you have any questions, please contact Charlotte Lowe at 877-924-CSDA or charlottel@csda.net.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

Name of Candidate: _____

District: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Network: _____ (see map on back)

Telephone: _____

(PLEASE BE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER IS ONE WHERE WE CAN REACH THE CANDIDATE)

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Nominated by (optional): _____

Return this form and a Board resolution/minute action supporting the candidate
and Candidate Information Sheet by fax or mail to:

CSDA
Attn: Charlotte Lowe
1112 I Street, Suite 200
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DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS – May 22, 2015



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CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: _____

District/Company: _____

Title: _____

Elected/Appointed/Staff: _____

Length of Service with District: _____

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

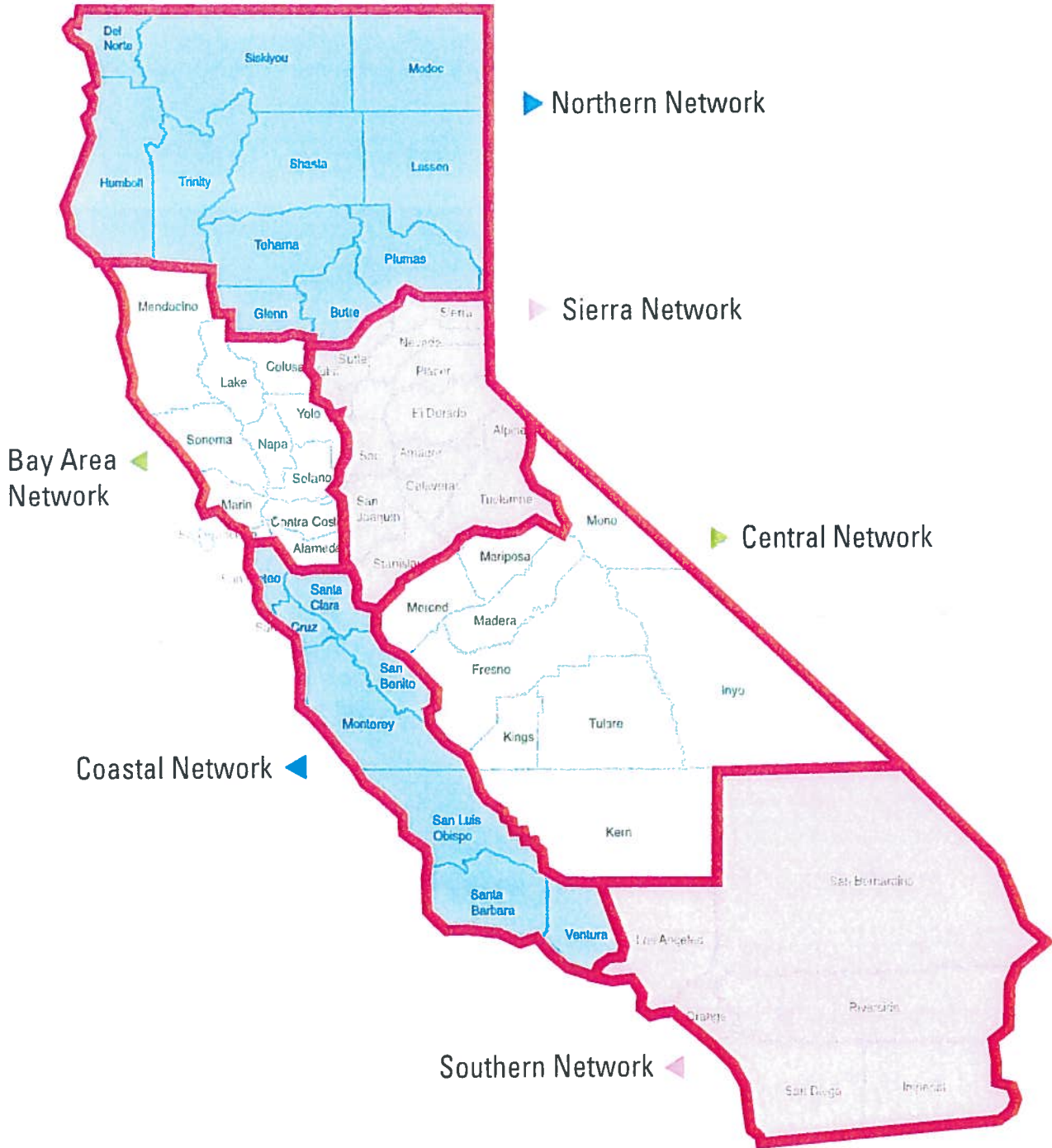
3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

4. List civic organization involvement:

****Candidate Statement** – Although it is not required, each candidate is requested to submit a candidate statement of no more than 300 words in length. **Any statements received in the CSDA office after June 4, 2015 will not be included with the ballot mailing.**



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ARD Celebrates the Fabulous 50's and Groovy 60's with the 'Spring Hop Dance'

The Auburn Area Recreation and Park District (ARD) is again going retro in with the annual Spring Hop Dance. The dance takes place Saturday, March 21st in the Recreation Park gymnasium (123 Recreation Dr., Auburn). The event runs from 7 - 10pm and is open to anyone ages 21 and above.

Last year's inaugural hop was a huge hit, and 2015 plans to be more of the same. Frankie and the Fabletones, a band specializing in 50's and 60's era music, is back to rock the gym. Dance contests and other fun activities will take place throughout the evening. Members of the Auburn Outlaws Roller Derby team will be in skating in full costume. Beer, wine and food will also be served by the Auburn Host Lions. One of the returning highlights of the evenings will be the "24 Hour Marriage" ceremonies that will be available to any couple. These for-fun weddings will be officiated by Auburn City Mayor Keith Nesbitt.

New this year is dance instruction

for anyone interested in taking a crash-course in swing dance. Instructors Army Messersmith and Billie Prowant have over 30 years of experience, and will have everyone dancing the East Coast Swing that evening. These dance lessons are free to anyone who attends the Spring Hop. The lessons start at 6pm, giving everyone an hour of practice before dancing begins in the gym.

"We had a really great time at last year's event" stated Kahl Muscott, District Administrator. "There was so much going on and huge smiles all around. My favorite activities included the dance contest and the 24 hour marriages. I was in awe of some of the dancing skills I saw in the contest, and the marriage ceremonies were sweet and romantic."

Tickets are available at the Recreation Park Community Center (123 Recreation Dr.) or online at www.auburnrec.com. Questions can be directed to the ARD Customer Service office at (530) 885-8461.

Spring Aquatics at the Auburn Recreation District Recreation Park, Sierra Pool

Spring programs are underway at ARD, starting with adult Master's Swimming. Come for conditioning or to improve your stroke technique. Adults swim 5:45-7am Mon., Wed., and Fri.; locker rooms and showers are available.

Lifeguarding classes begin in March. Get signed up early - space is limited. Students must be at least 15 years old and a swimming pre-test will be administered. Upon successful completion of this course students will have the CPR/First Aid certification for the professional rescuer needed to be a lifeguard.

Synchronized Swimming and Competitive Swimming registration open for preseason clinics and programs and are open to boys and girls ages 5 to 18. For additional information visit auburnrec.com or call 530-863-4615.

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Gating park access could hamper 12-step program

By: Eyragon Eidam, Staff Writer



Plans to gate a popular area park at night has one addiction rehabilitation program wondering how its weekly counseling meetings will be impacted.

With gates all but up in Overlook Park, organizers and members of the 12-step narcotic addiction program say the change could impact attendance, but park officials see things differently.

The group pays around \$500 each month for the use of the Overlook Park facilities during its daily meetings throughout the week, which include between 20 and 50 attendees per session.

Jason Smith, who has written on the topic of heroin use in Placer County for the Auburn Journal, said participants in the anonymous meetings are at odds with the plan because of what it could mean for parking and disabled access to the building.

"My main concern is access for people with disabilities or people pushing strollers. I just want people who want to go to a meeting to be able to go," he said. "We're the only (daily meeting) specifically for drugs. There are two meetings for alcohol in the community, but we're the only one for drugs with a daily meeting in the area."

Smith, who is also a member of the group, said he worries because the number of people showing up to meetings is growing rapidly and there will simply not be enough parking for attendees.

"Our numbers are increasing. They're coming from Colfax, Georgetown and they're coming from Cool," he said.

Another member, who asked not to be identified by name because of the anonymous nature of the group, said parking on Pacific Avenue will pose issues on larger meeting nights. He said he was also concerned unknowing members' vehicles could be towed while at the meeting.

While he is concerned about the situation, he did give a nod to at least 10 marked spaces near the building where the meetings are held.

Chairman Scott Holbrook, with the Auburn Recreation District Board of Directors, said the district went to considerable effort to accommodate the group in the planning stages - even revising the original plan to block the entire entrance to the parking lot.

"I think it's a valuable service they provide," he said of the program.

Holbrook said the entire process has been an effort to balance the needs of nearby neighbors as well as an attempt to stop some of the illegal activities going on in the park after dark.

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While he said he appreciates what the program does for the community, Holbrook admitted his frustration over the parking concerns despite what he called "extra expense" to the district.

"We are hoping to come as close to a win-win as possible," he said.

Instead of blocking the main entry way to the lot, Holbrook and District Administrator Kahl Muscott said the district decided to install three gates further back to allow for marked and unmarked parking spaces.

ADA compliant spaces will be included in what Holbrook and Muscott estimate to be approximately 16 accessible spaces in the lot.

Muscott said the district has been working to eliminate illegal activities, unrelated to the 12-step program, which required cordoning off a less visible part of the lot that was a constant problem.

"We're still having issues out there with things that happen that shouldn't," he said.

As for the ultimate impact to the group, no one will know for certain until the contractor installs the chain gates and officials begin locking them at dusk each night.

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To clarify there will be plenty of parking available - in response to concerns raised, the ARD changed the initial plan to allow for 11+ marked parking spots & 5+ curbside parking inside the lot (could be room for 20+, not totally sure)- further the street parking, which is basically at the same level as the parking lot with minimal to no incline, is closer than most spots to the facility than Bel Air, Raley's, Safeway, Home Depot - it is maybe 30-50 feet away. In addition adjacent to the building will be more parking just behind on the gravel driveway. While life is not perfect, ARD has worked with all to compromise and come up with a situation that will meet with NA folks, and still mitigate the concerns of activity that goes on after dark when the park is technically closed anyway. Do also know the cost to NA / 12 Step Prog... [See More](#)

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Meddlers Report – March 3



The Meddlers is an open-forum meeting sponsored by the Auburn Chamber of Commerce that meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at Auburn City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way. Auburn Journal reporter Eyragon Eidam, whose beat includes City Hall, attends. Here is his report:

City update: Mayor Keith Nesbitt briefly reviewed the results of the city's community survey, released last Feb. 23. Roughly 430 participants took the survey out of the 2,000 solicited in the random citywide sample. Nesbitt said while the

overall finding revealed a generally positive city perception, he said it also highlighted concerns about road maintenance, congestion management and public safety services and response times. Respondents also mentioned the desire for more street lighting along city sidewalks. Nesbitt said the information would help to focus energy on the areas needing improvement.

County update: Supervisor Jennifer Montgomery updated the group on the upcoming Placer County Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for March 9. The board will be receiving an update on the county's Health and Human Services five-year plan and Sheriff Ed Bonner will be presenting employee awards. Montgomery said the county is still working with the California Department of Parks and Recreation to solidify Bridge Day by May 2016. The event will likely feature zip-lining and bungee-jumping from the Foresthill Bridge. Montgomery said she plans to bungee jump at the event.

Guest speaker: Kahl Muscott, administrative director of the Auburn Recreation District, spoke to the group about plans for future facility expansion and some of the activities offered through the district. The recreation-centric organization oversees 11 parks, three of which are on federal lands. Despite economic instability in 2008, Muscott said the district has been fortunate enough to avoid layoffs of employees. A growing senior demographic has prompted officials to offer more activities geared toward this active group. According to Muscott, four bocce ball courts will soon be added to Recreation Park and plans for a shade structure and playground are set to be built at Railhead Park in April. The district is also continuing to work to implement a bike park and pump track just below the Canyon View Community Center.

Eyragon Eidam can be reached at (530) 852-0244 or eyragone@goldcountrymedia.com.

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Recreation Ramblings

Home runs and attorneys

By: Kahl Muscott, for the Auburn Journal



What do Lions, Elks, attorneys and home runs have in common? All have played a role in funding the Auburn Recreation District (ARD) Youth Assistance Fund.

ARD wants to ensure that every child in our district can participate in our recreational programming. The Youth Assistance Fund provides program scholarships to assist lower income individuals and families. Families that fall under income eligibility amounts, patterned after the formula established by the State Department of Education, can fill out an application and request scholarship funding up to three times per year.

The Youth Assistance Fund receives no tax subsidies. It is 100 percent funded through donations and fundraisers. These donations come from a multitude of sources. Over the past few years, service clubs such as the Lions and the Elks have made contributions. Pat Little, a local attorney, rallied other resident lawyers to make contributions. All profits recognized from sales in our vending machines are also donated. Our most enjoyable way of funding the Youth Assistance Fund is through monies raised at the annual Gino Linarez Ms. October softball tournament. Jerry Fisher, ARD's Sports Coordinator and a strong advocate for the Youth Assistance Fund, organizes the annual invitation-only softball tourney that sees 300-plus home runs fly out of Beggs Field.

Our problem at the moment is that the requests for the Youth Assistance Fund are outstripping the donations. Last year, ARD received and

Calendar of upcoming programs, meetings and events

March 21: Spring Hop at the Recreation Park gym

March 26: ARD Board of Director's meeting

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granted requests totaling \$12,700. At the same time, donations totaled \$7,418. A look back over the past five years shows an unsustainable trend, with funding re-quests increasing each year and donations fluctuating, with an inclination towards decreases. At this point, staff is considering changes in policy on how much funding each child may receive. There are several options on the table, and all would need to be approved by the ARD Board of Directors.

Of course the best option is to see a big increase in donations to the Youth Assistance Fund. We will gladly accept any and all donations, and most are tax deductible if they are made through the Friends of ARD 501c3 corporation. We are also open to fundraiser

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opportunities and other creative sources of funding.

For more information on the Youth Assistance Fund, contact ARD Recreation Services Manager Sheryl Petersen at (530) 863-4615 or at spetersen@auburnrec.com. As always, you can contact me at (530) 885-0611 ext. 102 or at kmuscott@auburnrec.com.

Time to swing, baby

The gymnasium at Recreation Park is hosting the second Spring Hop dance party on Saturday, March 21. This is a '50s/'60s dance party with a definitive sock hop theme. As many in this community know, the gym at Recreation Park has been the home to many other non-basketball related activities. It was a roller rink for years, and back in the early '60s it was the site of many dances for high school- and college-aged revelers. We are harkening back to those days with our Spring Hop. Last year's event was a rollicking good time, and we expect more of the same this year. Frankie and the Fabletones will be returning with their very danceable songs from that era. 24-Hour Weddings, a for-fun activity that allows sweethearts of all ages to express their love, are returning. Mayor Keith Nesbitt will be presiding over the mock-nuptials. Food, beer and wine will be available for sale. All are encouraged to wear their best '50s-themed attire — last year's outfits were amazing.

The party starts at 7 p.m. and interested attendees can show up at 6 p.m. for free East Coast Swing Dance lessons from Arny Messersmith and Billie Prowant. This 21-and-over event is very affordable at \$12/person, \$20/couple. To register, visit auburnrec.com.

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Let's go to the hop

DIG OUT THAT POODLE SKIRT, IT'S TIME TO DANCE



By Paul Cambra

As the lyrics go, "you can rock it you can roll it you can slop and you can stroll it at the hop."

Not sure if they "slop" anymore, and for most people who came of age in the 1950s, "stroll" takes on a whole new meaning. But for anyone who wants to relive the glory days of school dances — decades before bumping, grinding and twerking were to rear their ugly rears — then the Spring Hop is the place for you.

"There is always something to do in Auburn in the summertime but we were looking for a fun — and affordable — winter activity," said Sheryl Petersen, recreation services manager with the Auburn Recreation District (ARD). "Last year we had a wonderful time and everyone kept saying 'are you going to do it again this year?'"

Well they're back, and so are dance instructors Arny Messersmith and Billie Prowant, who will lead a one-hour lesson in East Coast Swing right before the hop begins.

"It's the easiest dance that I can teach," Messersmith said. "Lessons don't require a partner as we rotate to give everyone a chance. I would say in an hour we'll have you dancing."

He said East Coast Swing has about 20 steps, as opposed to West Coast Swing's 200. But with East Coast, you throw your partner in every direction and that takes up a lot of floor space. But there's still enough room for the Auburn Outlaws roller derby team to get around.

"They were all over the gym floor last year, zooming in and out of people with trays on their shoulders," Messersmith said.

Those trays held food and drink — the local Lion's Club will be cooking hot dogs and brats — and the Outlaws will serve as car hops. There will be a swing dance contest and a hula hoop contest, poodle skirts aplenty, and Frankie and the Fabletones will provide the music.

"You don't have to come as a couple," Petersen said. "Come as friends, come in groups. Come in period dress. Some came last year just to listen to the music."

Messersmith suggests leather soles, as you slide your feet a lot, and while they are known as "sock hops," less and less people are going shoeless these days.

"I grew up with a family that danced," he said. "My grandmother used to take me German and Italian and Belgian dances in San Francisco. We all went together as a family. When I had kids, their friends at school couldn't believe they were going out dancing every weekend with their dad."

And though the ARD Spring Hop is a larger event, that didn't stop the demographic skewing young.

"The great thing about last year was there were just as many young adults as old," said. "And it was the younger dancer who won the dance contest. Even for young people who don't dance that much, just see how you have when you get out there."

So remember cats and chicks, if you're looking for a place where you can swing it you can really start to move it... be at the Spring Hop.



Come in your '50s garb and be a car hop at this year's Spring Hop.

Amy Massacsmith, left, and Billie Prowant will be giving East Coast Swing lessons an hour before the Spring Hop.



'50s & '60s Spring Hop

WHEN: 7-10 p.m. Saturday, March 21. Free dance instruction from 6-7 p.m. in the Stella Room

WHERE: Recreation Park Gymnasium, 123 Recreation Drive, Auburn

TICKETS: \$12; two for \$20. Ages 21 and older

Music by Frankie and the Fabletones. Dance contests, beer and wine, food, costumes encouraged

INFO: (530) 863-4615, auburnrec.com

East Coast Swing Lessons

WHEN: 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays, March 31 through April 21

WHERE: Canyon View Community Center, 471 Maidu Drive, Auburn

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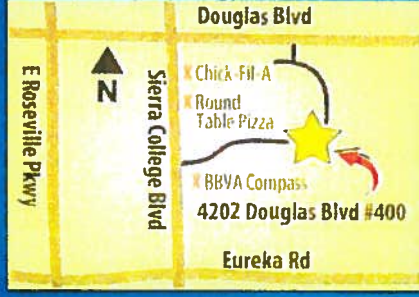


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Warm days sending winter out with a whimper

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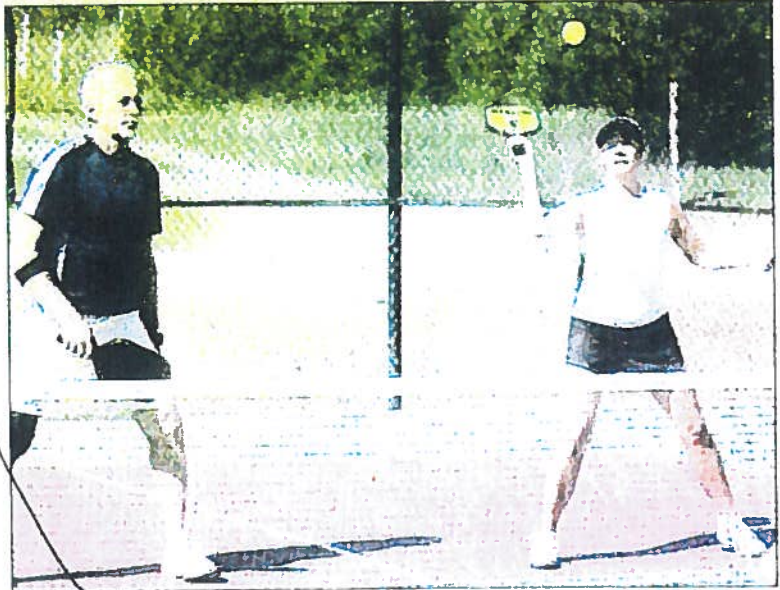
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Forget the umbrella; sunscreen will be more useful for most of next week as temperatures continue their upward shimmy.

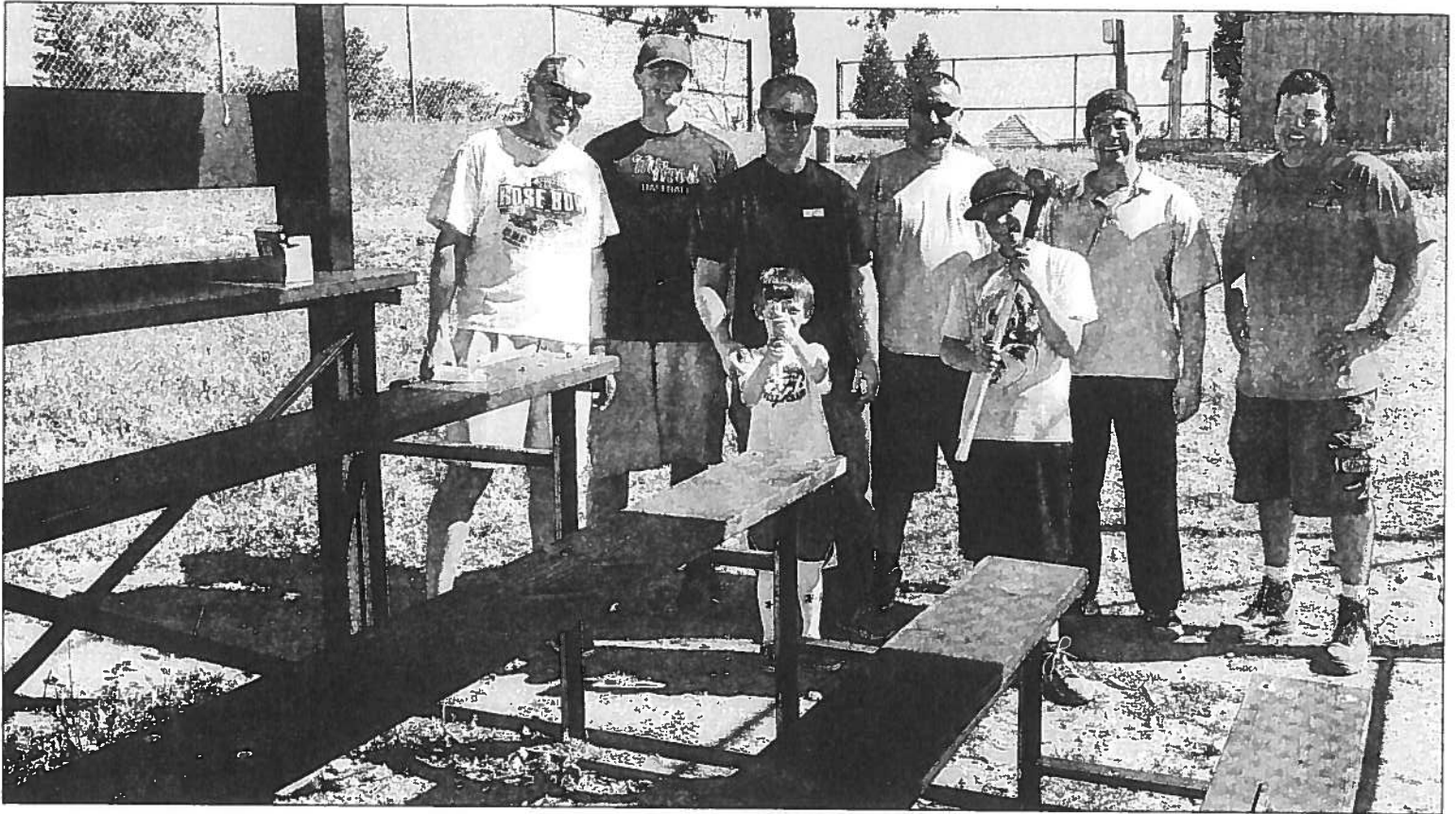
This season's unseasonably warm weather is slated to pull out all the stops during the next few days with mid-spring-like heat and blue skies.

With the seemingly unlimited access to local rivers in the Auburn area, park officials warn patrons to be careful when it comes to enjoying the swift-moving waters.

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Players Joanna Kean and Ron Burn team for a session of pickleball at the courts in Meadow Vista Saturday. All four courts were full and several players were waiting to rotate in for games



COURTESY

Little League Work Day

The Auburn Little League Vice President of Softball, Jerry Fisher, worked with Contech Construction, Don Robinsons and some old fashioned elbow grease to completely rebuild the Upper Skyridge softball field bleachers, dugouts and backstop last weekend. The group provided maintenance to the Lower Skyridge facility and field on Sunday as well. The work was done in preparation for the March 21 opening ceremonies for Auburn Little League.

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