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CITY BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE TEMPORARY CLOSURE

Beginning July 10, 2017, City of Chico contractor, Rock Creek Construction, Inc. (Contractor), will commence work on the Ceres Avenue Bicycle Bridge over Lindo Channel Rehabilitation Project. Construction activities will include removal of wood decking, placement of new concrete deck material, and installation of new low-level bridge lighting and two street lights.

During construction activities, the bicycle bridge and adjacent staging areas will be fenced and closed to the public throughout the duration of the project. Bridge re-opening is anticipated on August 25, 2017. All adjacent streets will remain open to traffic during construction activities; however, some temporary lane closures may be necessary during material and/or equipment delivery. Traffic control will be provided by the Contractor to ensure public safety during these times. Alternate routes for crossing Lindo Channel include East 5th Avenue and the bike/pedestrian path immediately east of State Route 99.

The community is encouraged to build extra time into travel schedules and plan alternate routes to avoid the bicycle / pedestrian bridge. Additionally, vehicles are advised to drive slowly and carefully through the construction area, be alert for construction workers and large equipment (i.e., backhoes, graders and trucks), and obey all construction signs and directions from traffic control flaggers.

While the project will result in the improved safety of the bridge, the City realizes that construction activities will pose a temporary inconvenience and appreciates the public's patience. For assistance with questions or concerns during construction, please contact the City's Public Works - Engineering Department at (530) 879-6900, City Construction Inspector, Matt Gilbert, at (530) 624-1501 or the Contractor's Community Relations Representative, Lynda Cameron, at (530) 210-7749.

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