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### **TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CAPER ACRES ON WEEK DAYS FOR TREE MAINTENANCE**

Now that the wet weather has subsided, the City of Chico's contractor, Richard's Tree Service, will be performing essential tree maintenance in Caper Acres in Lower Bidwell Park. The work will include pruning of eighteen (18) trees and the removal of three (3) hazardous trees. For the public's safety, Caper Acres and some of the paths and areas adjacent to Caper Acres will be closed during this tree work.

Starting on May 1, Caper Acres will be closed on Mondays as usual, but will also remain closed until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday for a couple of weeks. Caper Acres will be open to the public after 4:00 p.m. until the park gate closing time of 9:00 p.m. and will be open during the regular 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. hours on weekends. It is hoped that the tree work will be completed by May 22, 2019.

Park users looking for alternative play areas during this time may consider Hooker Oak, Wildwood or Children's Playground. One Mile in Lower park will not be impacted by this closure and will remain open to park users as usual.

The City appreciates the public's patience and support during this park closure. For more information, contact the Urban Forest Manager at 530-896-7801 or by email at

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