



Bidwell Ranch Project Citizen Work Group

River Partners and the City of Chico invite members of the public to help shape the Project. Citizens may join 1) the email list and receive project updates and provide comments on the project or 2) become members of the Citizen Work Group.

Citizen Work Group Role

- The Citizen Group will provide interested participants a means to provide input to River Partners to help achieve project objectives.
- The Citizen Group serves an advisory role. It is not a decision-making body; but the group's input will be factored into the development of Bidwell Ranch as a Conservation and Mitigation Bank.

Minimum Commitment for Citizen Work Group Members

- Intention to participate fully in the workgroup during the 18-24 month long process.
- Attend approximately 4 Citizen Work Group Meetings (held on weekday afternoons, approximately 2-3 hours each).
- Work respectfully and cooperatively with other Citizen Work Group members who may possess different points of view.
- Provide constructive input to help the Project Team on the management plan and to develop the site as a Conservation and Mitigation Bank.
- Review and comment on Draft Documents (Site Inventory and Preliminary Mitigation Proposal, Draft Management Plan and Mitigation Bank Enabling Instrument).
- Communicate effectively to members of the workgroup and community.
- Access the internet and receive email.

Schedule and Meeting Format

- The Citizen Work Group will meet approximately 4 times:
 - Spring (April) 2007 - Site Visit and Tour
 - Summer 2007 - Site Inventory and Preliminary Mitigation Proposal
 - Winter 2008 - Management Plan, and
 - Summer 2008 - Update on Management Plan.
- Citizen Work Group meetings will be informal working sessions attended by Project Team and Citizen Work Group members, and potentially key agency staff.
- Members of the Citizen Work Group will also be asked to review drafts of the Site Inventory and Preliminary Mitigation Proposal (Summer 2007), Management Plan (Spring 2008), and associated products.
- For the general public wishing to stay informed regarding Citizen Work Group meeting results, a summary of each meeting will be posted on the River Partners website, or may be picked up at the River Partners office.

Other Ways to be Involved and/or Stay Informed about the Project

- Contact Project Team members at tonight's meeting to ask questions or make comments and suggestions.
- Check the River Partners Website (www.riverpartners.org) for project documents, updates, and meeting summaries (www.riverpartners.org/where-we-work/bidwell.html).
- Sign-up for our e-mail list and receive notices and updates.
- Talk to Citizen Work Group members.
- Email (info@riverpartners.org), call (530-894-5401), or write (River Partners, 580 Vallombrosa Ave, Chico, CA 95926). Please note that you are interested in the Bidwell Ranch project.

To sign up for the Citizen Work Group, notify the Project Team at the public meeting.

PROJECT TEAM



	March 2007	Summer 2007	Winter 2008	Summer 2008
Materials and Data Provided to CWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of Project Description of CWG Process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site Inventory: Detailed description of land, plants, and wildlife Preliminary Mitigation Proposal: Proposal identifying target species, habitats, credit areas, and compatible land uses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Site Inventory and Mitigation Proposal Preliminary ideas for how to delineate use areas and manage the site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Management Plan Draft Mitigation Bank Enabling Instrument
CWG Duties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about project Commit to participate Explain concerns Offer suggestions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute local knowledge regarding the site Comment on the Preliminary Proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about site management issues, challenges, and opportunities Provide ideas for land use, public access, and mitigation area delineation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comment on the Draft Management Plan Comment on the Draft Mitigation Bank Enabling Instrument Provide ideas for land use, public access, and mitigation area delineation

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