



# Addendum to Paradise Sewer Project PEIR

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# 1. Introduction

The Town of Paradise (Town) certified a Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the Paradise Sewer Project (Project) (SCH# 2021050008) on November 8, 2022. This addendum was prepared based on the following criteria:

- The lead agency or responsible agency shall prepare an addendum to a previously certified EIR if some changes or additions are necessary but none of the conditions described in Section 15162 calling for preparation of a subsequent EIR have occurred (Section 15164[a]);
- An addendum need not be circulated for public review but can be included in or attached to the certified EIR or adopted negative declaration (Section 15164[c]);
- The decision-making body shall consider the addendum with the certified EIR or adopted negative declaration prior to making a decision on the project (Section 15164[d]); and
- A brief explanation of the decision not to prepare a subsequent EIR pursuant to Section 15162 should be included in an addendum to an EIR, the lead agency's findings on the project, or elsewhere in the record. The explanation must be supported by substantial evidence (Section 15164[e])

This addendum describes the details of the addition of five parcels identified as “Paradise Community Village” (PCV) that will be included in the Core Collection System service area of the Project (Figure 1). This analysis demonstrates that the addition of these parcels will not result in any additional Project impact.

These parcels were intended to be included in the footprint of the Core Collection System service area for the Paradise Sewer Project, and were considered as such in early planning stages for the Project. The Plans to develop affordable housing at Paradise Community Village were originally drafted in 2010 (Attachment A) and Phase I of the project has been completed. Planning for a second phase of housing construction includes assumption of providing connection to the future sewer system. At full buildout, PCV is intended to be a high-density subdivision and the sewer connection will allow final construction to occur when it becomes operational. The parcels were left out of the final Core Collection System map included in the CEQA PEIR in error; therefore, a new map including the PCV has been made to correct this error (Figure 2).

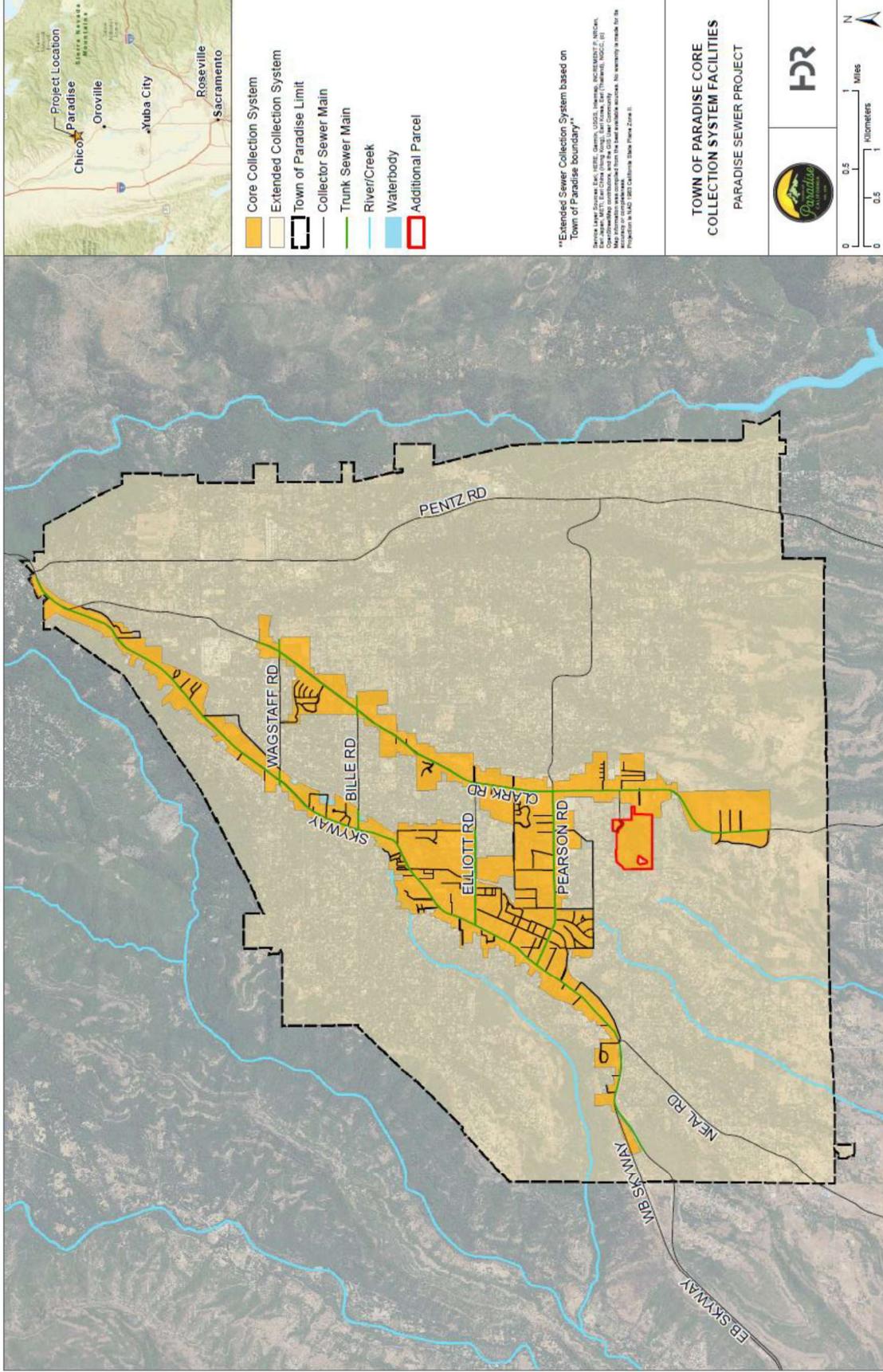


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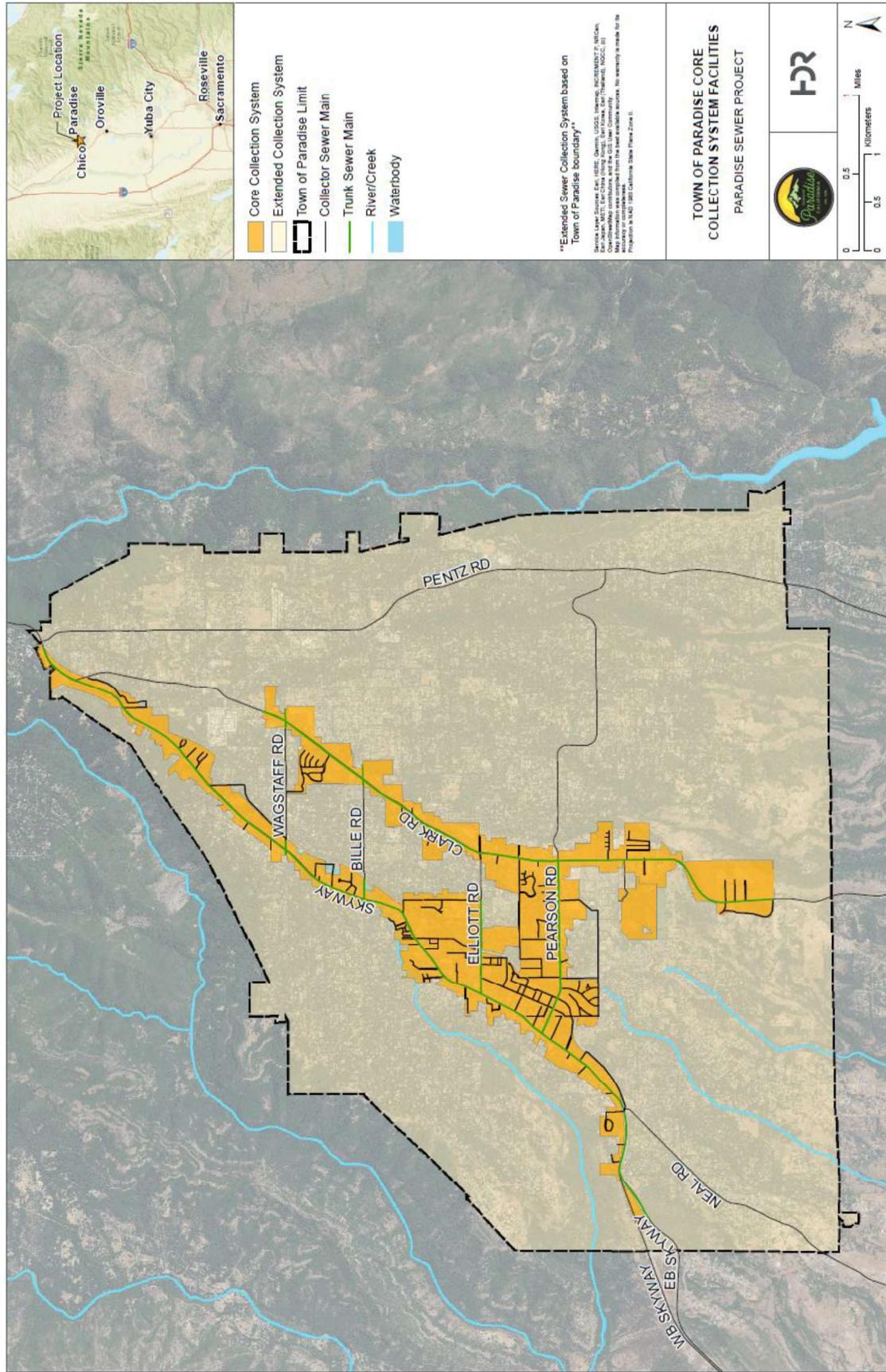


Figure 2. Updated Town of Paradise Core Collection System Facilities

## 2. Background and Project Description

This section describes the original Project, in brief, and the amended Project.

### 2.1 Original Paradise Sewer Project

The Town of Paradise is planning to construct, operate, and maintain a new sewer collection system within the Town limits, with an export pipeline from the Town to the Chico Wastewater Pollution Control Plant (WPCP). Specifically, the Project would consist of three primary components: Core Collection System, Export Pipeline System, and Extended Collection System. The Core Collection System would collect wastewater from the Town's sewer service area and convey it to the Export Pipeline System at southwestern edge of Paradise on Skyway. The Export Pipeline System includes an 18-mile pipeline that would convey wastewater from the Core Collection System in Paradise down Skyway and across southern Chico to the Chico WPCP. The Extended Collection System is an extension of the Core Collection System that would allow collection of sewage from parcels outside of the Core Collection System but within the Town limits up to the allowed capacity of the system.

### 2.2 Modified Paradise Sewer Project

The only modification from the original Project, as analyzed in the certified PEIR, is the inclusion of five additional parcels into the Core Collection System of the Sewer Service Area: 054-090-048, 054-110-031, 054-110-032, 054-110-033, and 054-380-001. The parcels are partially developed and the land has been previously disturbed. The parcels would connect into the Project sewer pipeline and would not overburden the capacity of the Project. There would be no change to operations of the Project, as described in the certified PEIR.

## 3. Environmental Impact Analysis

This section evaluates potential environmental impacts due to the addition of the PCV parcels into the Core Collection System area, as compared to the environmental analysis included in the certified PEIR. Because an assessment of all properties within the Town limits was included in the PEIR, the existing conditions for the modified Project are the same as those described in the certified PEIR.

### 3.1 Aesthetics and Visual Resources

Because the land is partially developed and no above-ground facilities would be constructed at the site, the inclusion of the PVC parcels would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to aesthetics and visual resources would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### 3.2 Agriculture and Forestry Resources

The agriculture and forestry resources analysis focuses on prime farmland, unique farmland, farmland of statewide importance, Williamson Act contract parcels, forest land, and timberland. Because the land is zoned for community use and not zoned for agricultural or forestry resources, as

listed above, the inclusion of the PVC parcels would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to agriculture and forestry resources would result.

### **3.3 Air Quality**

The air quality analysis focuses on emissions of criteria air pollutants, toxic air contaminants (TACs), and odors in the study area where air quality is most susceptible to change as a result of the Project's construction, operation, and maintenance. Because the PCV connection to the Project sewer line would be constructed below an existing road (Village Parkway) and connect to the Project system at Clark Road, a segment that is already included in the existing Project, the inclusion of the PCV parcels would add minimally to the previously calculated construction emissions only and, as described in the certified Final PEIR, no long-term emissions would result from implementation of the Project; the addition of these parcels will not change that conclusion. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to air quality would result.

### **3.4 Biological Resources**

The biological resources analysis focuses on species under state or federal protection, federally protected wetlands, and native migratory fish or wildlife corridors or nurseries. Because the land is developed and disturbed, and does not include resources that would provide habitat for special-status species, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to biological resources would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### **3.5 Cultural Resources**

As part of the Cultural process completed for the PEIR, a record search was conducted for all lands within the Town limits and no Cultural features were identified at these parcels. In addition, mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to cultural resources would result.

### **3.6 Energy**

The energy analysis focuses on the increased demand for electricity and transportation fuel as a result of the Project's construction, operation, and maintenance. Because the connection would add minimally to the Project (energy use both during construction and during operations and maintenance), the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to energy use would result.

### **3.7 Geology, Soils, and Paleontological Resources**

The analysis focuses on geologic hazards, soil erosion, and destruction of paleontological resources in the study area as a result of the Project's construction, operation, and maintenance. Because the

land is developed and disturbed, and no hazards or known paleontological resources were identified during the review of all property within the Town limits in the PEIR process, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to geology, soils, and paleontological resources would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### **3.8 Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

The inclusion of the PCV parcels would add minimally to the previously calculated construction emissions only and, as described in the certified Final PEIR, no long term emissions would result from implementation of the Project; the addition of these parcels will not change that conclusion. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to greenhouse gas emissions would result.

### **3.9 Hazards and Hazardous Materials**

The analysis focuses on hazards and hazardous materials that may be present in the study area and the use of hazardous materials during implementation of the Project's construction, operation, and maintenance. No hazards were identified within the Town limits during the PEIR analysis. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to hazards and hazardous materials would result.

### **3.10 Hydrology and Water Quality**

The hydrology and water quality analysis addresses hydrology, surface water quality, groundwater, and floodplains in the study area where hydrology and water quality are most susceptible to change as a result of the Project. There are no natural surface water bodies at the parcels, nor would the construction of the sewer lines reach depths that could affect groundwaters. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to hydrology and water quality would result.

### **3.11 Land Use and Planning**

The land use analysis focuses on land use designation and planning characteristics for Butte County, Paradise, and Chico in the study area. Because the land is developed and disturbed, and there will be no change to existing zoning or land use, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to land use and planning would result.

### **3.12 Mineral Resources**

Mineral resources were not identified within the Town limits and this topic was not carried through the PEIR for consideration. Findings for the PCV parcels would be consistent with the PEIR determination.

### **3.13 Noise and Groundborne Vibration**

This analysis focuses on whether the Proposed Project would generate temporary or permanent increases in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the Proposed Project such that the noise level would exceed standards set in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable noise standards set by other agencies. This analysis also focuses on the possible generation of excessive noise and groundborne vibration in the study area where sensitive receptors are most susceptible to impacts as a result of the Project's construction, operation, and maintenance. Because the land is developed and disturbed, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to noise and groundborne vibration would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### **3.14 Population and Housing**

The population and housing analysis focuses on population and housing characteristics for Butte County, Paradise, and Chico in the study area. Because the land is zoned for housing and is designed to provide high density housing, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to population and housing would result.

### **3.15 Public Services**

The public services analysis focuses on fire protection services, police protection services, schools, and libraries within the study area. Because the land is developed, and is already set up for services, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to public services would result.

### **3.16 Recreation**

The recreation analysis focuses on impacts to recreational activities in the study area, including land- and water-based recreational activities such as hiking, camping, picnicking, fishing, wildlife viewing, bicycling, and powered and non-powered boating. Because the land is not currently or planned for public recreational features, nor would adding sewer to the parcels obstruct access to other recreational facilities, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to recreation would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### **3.17 Transportation**

The transportation analysis focuses on the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities, and emergency access. Because the land is developed and existing access to Village Parkway or Clark Road will be rerouted and noticed for public prior to construction, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to transportation would result. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels.

### **3.18 Tribal Cultural Resources**

As part of the tribal cultural resources process completed for the PEIR, outreach to tribes and tribal representatives was conducted for all lands within the Town limits; compliance with AB 52 regulations included the PVC parcels. In addition, mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to tribal cultural resources would result.

### **3.19 Utilities and Service Systems**

The utilities and service systems analysis focuses on energy and electric infrastructure (electric substations and transmission lines), telecommunications (cable, telephone or broadcasting infrastructure), water supply and services, wastewater facilities, and solid waste services (waste facilities and disposal sites) within the study area. Because the land is developed and no changes will be made to any other utility or service systems in the area, and because the Project as originally planned has more than enough capacity to include these parcels, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to utilities and service systems would result.

### **3.20 Wildfire**

The wildfire analysis focuses on emergency response and evacuation, wildfire risk, and hazards in the study area that may be exacerbated as a result of the Project. All parcels within the Town limits were assessed as part of the PEIR, and this evaluation included the PVC parcels. In addition, BMPs and mitigation described in the PEIR would apply to these parcels. Therefore, the inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection Service area would not change the findings presented in the certified PEIR and no new significant impacts to wildfire would result.

### **3.21 Summary of Environmental Impacts**

The inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection System area of the Paradise Sewer Project would not result in any additional environmental impacts as compared to the original Project.

## **4. Conclusion**

The environmental impacts of the modified Project are substantially similar enough to those analyzed in the certified PEIR for the original Project. The modifications between the original Project and the modified Project would not result in any additional environmental impacts. None of the

conditions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 that would require preparation of a Subsequent EIR have been met as a result of the modified Project.

Therefore, this Addendum to the certified Paradise Sewer Project PEIR is consistent with CEQA and is the appropriate level of environmental documentation to provide under CEQA. The inclusion of the PVC parcels in the Core Collection System area of the Paradise Sewer Project would not result in any additional environmental impacts, as compared to the original Project. The original Project was found to have no significant impacts with mitigation incorporated, and will continue to have no significant impacts with mitigation incorporated with the inclusion of the PVC parcels assessed in this Addendum.

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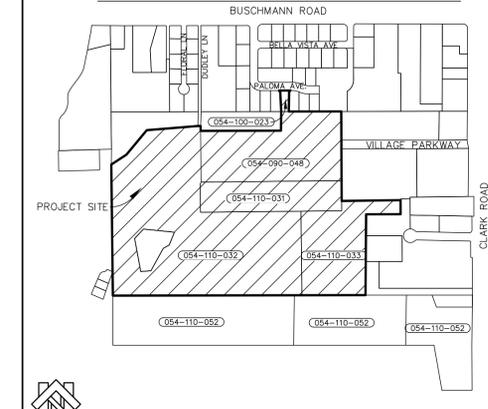
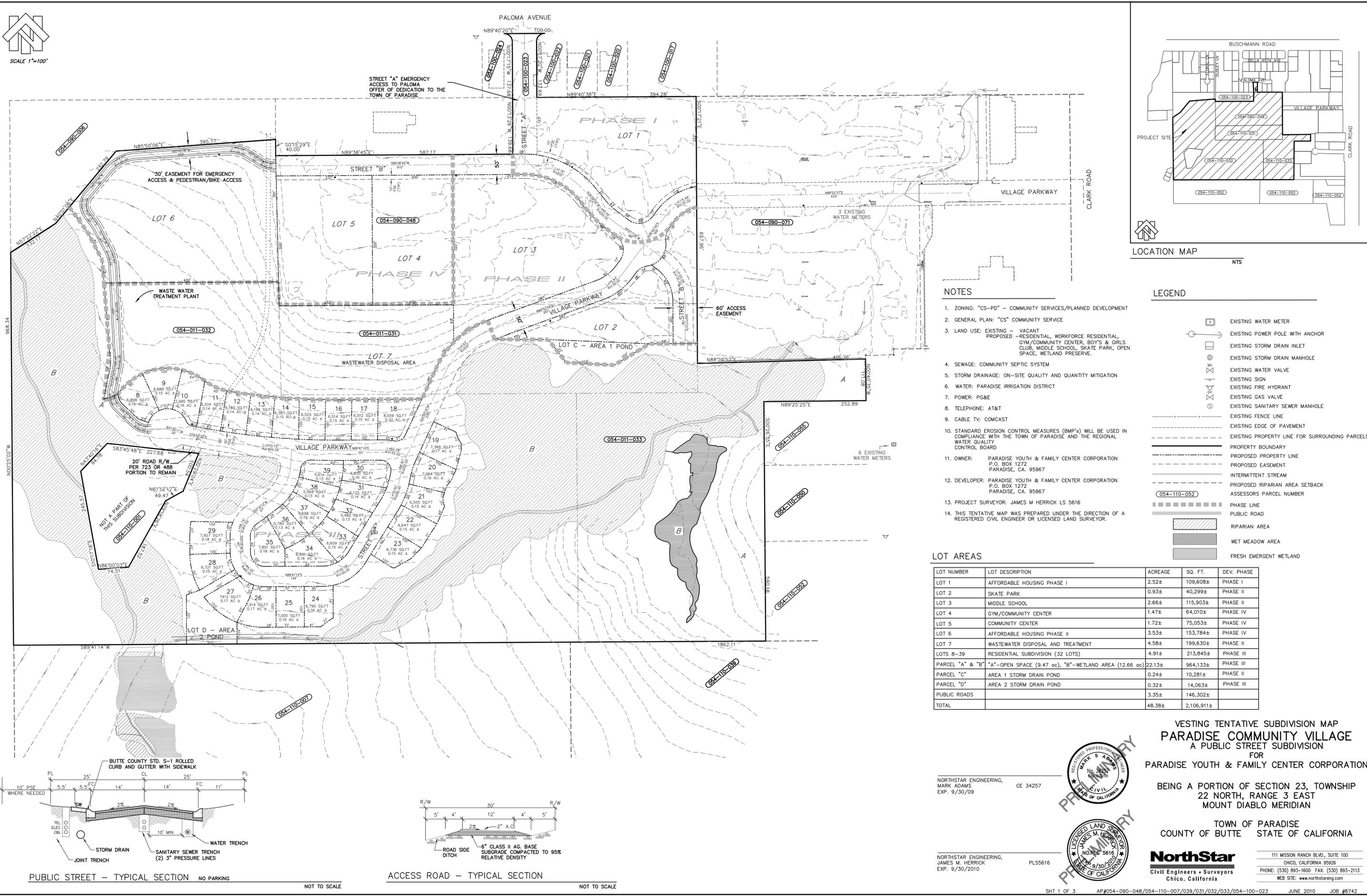
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Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14 § 15164

# Attachment A. Paradise Community Village Plans



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LOCATION MAP  
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**NOTES**

- ZONING: "CS-PD" - COMMUNITY SERVICES/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT
- GENERAL PLAN: "CS" COMMUNITY SERVICE
- LAND USE: EXISTING - VACANT  
PROPOSED - RESIDENTIAL, WORKFORCE RESIDENTIAL, GYM/COMMUNITY CENTER, BOY'S & GIRLS CLUB, MIDDLE SCHOOL, SKATE PARK, OPEN SPACE, WETLAND PRESERVE.
- SEWAGE: COMMUNITY SEPTIC SYSTEM
- STORM DRAINAGE: ON-SITE QUALITY AND QUANTITY MITIGATION
- WATER: PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
- POWER: PG&E
- TELEPHONE: AT&T
- CABLE TV: COMCAST
- STANDARD EROSION CONTROL MEASURES (BMP'S) WILL BE USED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWN OF PARADISE AND THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
- OWNER: PARADISE YOUTH & FAMILY CENTER CORPORATION  
P.O. BOX 1272  
PARADISE, CA. 95967
- DEVELOPER: PARADISE YOUTH & FAMILY CENTER CORPORATION  
PARADISE, CA. 95967
- PROJECT SURVEYOR: JAMES M HERRICK LS 5616
- THIS TENTATIVE MAP WAS PREPARED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER OR LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR.

**LEGEND**

- EXISTING WATER METER
- EXISTING POWER POLE WITH ANCHOR
- EXISTING STORM DRAIN INLET
- EXISTING STORM DRAIN MANHOLE
- EXISTING WATER VALVE
- EXISTING SIGN
- EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT
- EXISTING GAS VALVE
- EXISTING SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE
- EXISTING FENCE LINE
- EXISTING EDGE OF PAVEMENT
- EXISTING PROPERTY LINE FOR SURROUNDING PARCELS
- PROPERTY BOUNDARY
- PROPOSED PROPERTY LINE
- PROPOSED EASEMENT
- INTERMITTENT STREAM
- PROPOSED RIPARIAN AREA SETBACK
- ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER
- PHASE LINE
- PUBLIC ROAD
- RIPARIAN AREA
- WET MEADOW AREA
- FRESH EMERGENT WETLAND

**LOT AREAS**

LOT NUMBER	LOT DESCRIPTION	ACREAGE	SQ. FT.	DEV. PHASE
LOT 1	AFFORDABLE HOUSING PHASE I	2.52±	109,608±	PHASE I
LOT 2	SKATE PARK	0.93±	40,299±	PHASE II
LOT 3	MIDDLE SCHOOL	2.66±	115,903±	PHASE II
LOT 4	GYM/COMMUNITY CENTER	1.47±	64,010±	PHASE IV
LOT 5	COMMUNITY CENTER	1.72±	75,053±	PHASE IV
LOT 6	AFFORDABLE HOUSING PHASE II	3.53±	153,784±	PHASE IV
LOT 7	WASTEWATER DISPOSAL AND TREATMENT	4.58±	199,630±	PHASE II
LOTS 8-39	RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION (32 LOTS)	4.91±	213,845±	PHASE III
PARCEL "A" & "B"	"A"-OPEN SPACE (9.47 ac), "B"-WETLAND AREA (12.66 ac)	22.13±	964,133±	PHASE III
PARCEL "C"	AREA 1 STORM DRAIN POND	0.24±	10,281±	PHASE II
PARCEL "D"	AREA 2 STORM DRAIN POND	0.32±	14,063±	PHASE III
PUBLIC ROADS		3.35±	146,302±	
TOTAL		48.38±	2,106,911±	

VESTING TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP  
**PARADISE COMMUNITY VILLAGE**  
A PUBLIC STREET SUBDIVISION  
FOR  
PARADISE YOUTH & FAMILY CENTER CORPORATION

BEING A PORTION OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP  
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MOUNT DIABLO MERIDIAN

TOWN OF PARADISE  
COUNTY OF BUTTE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

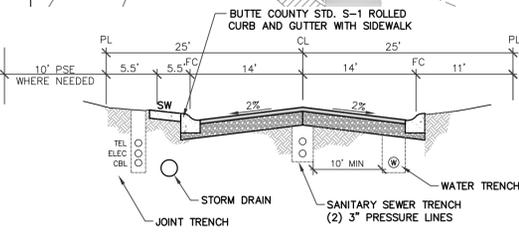
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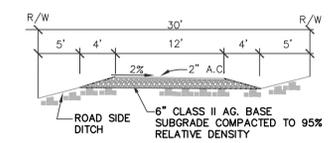
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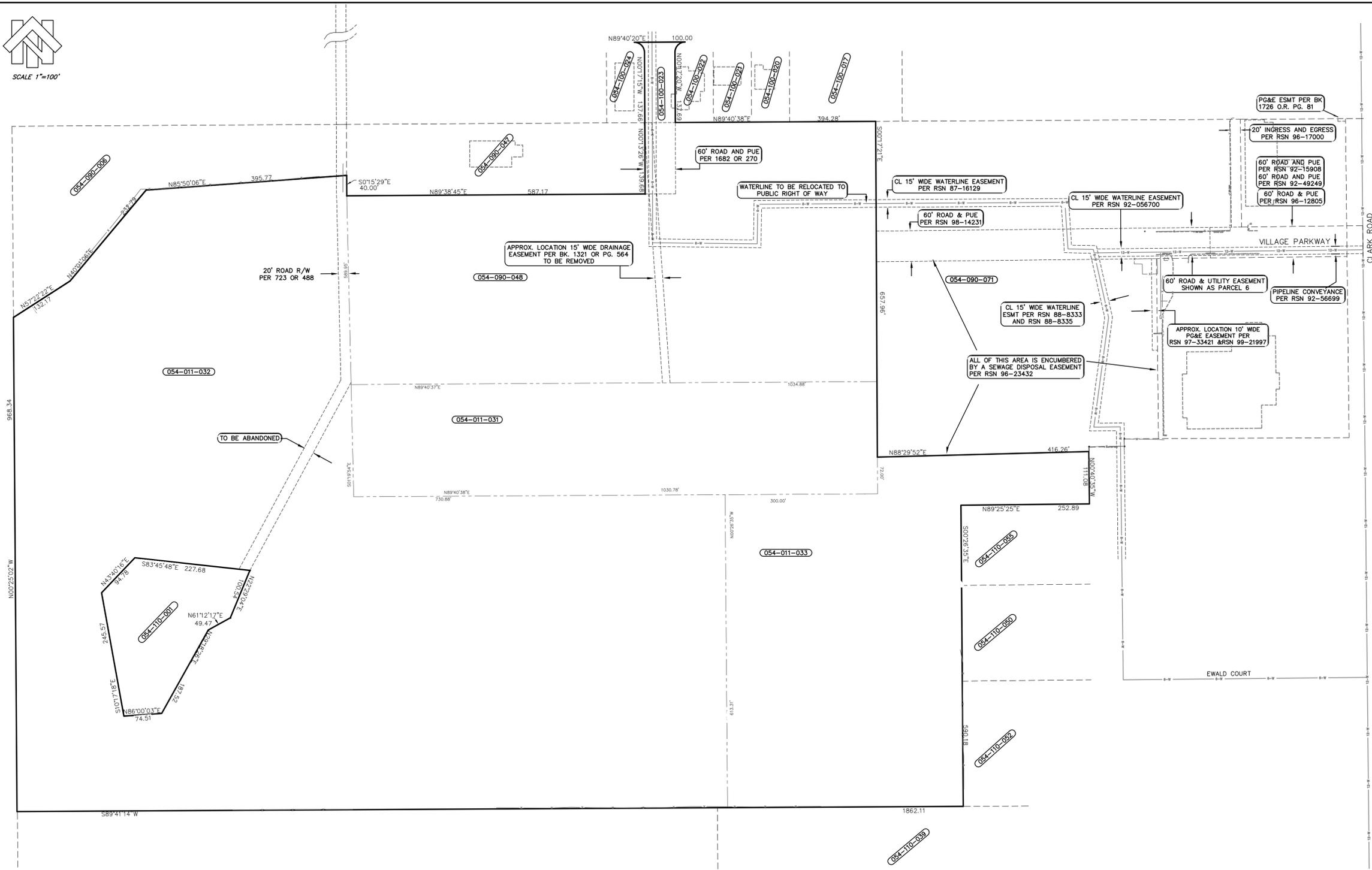
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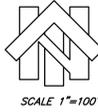
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**EXISTING PARCEL INFORMATION**

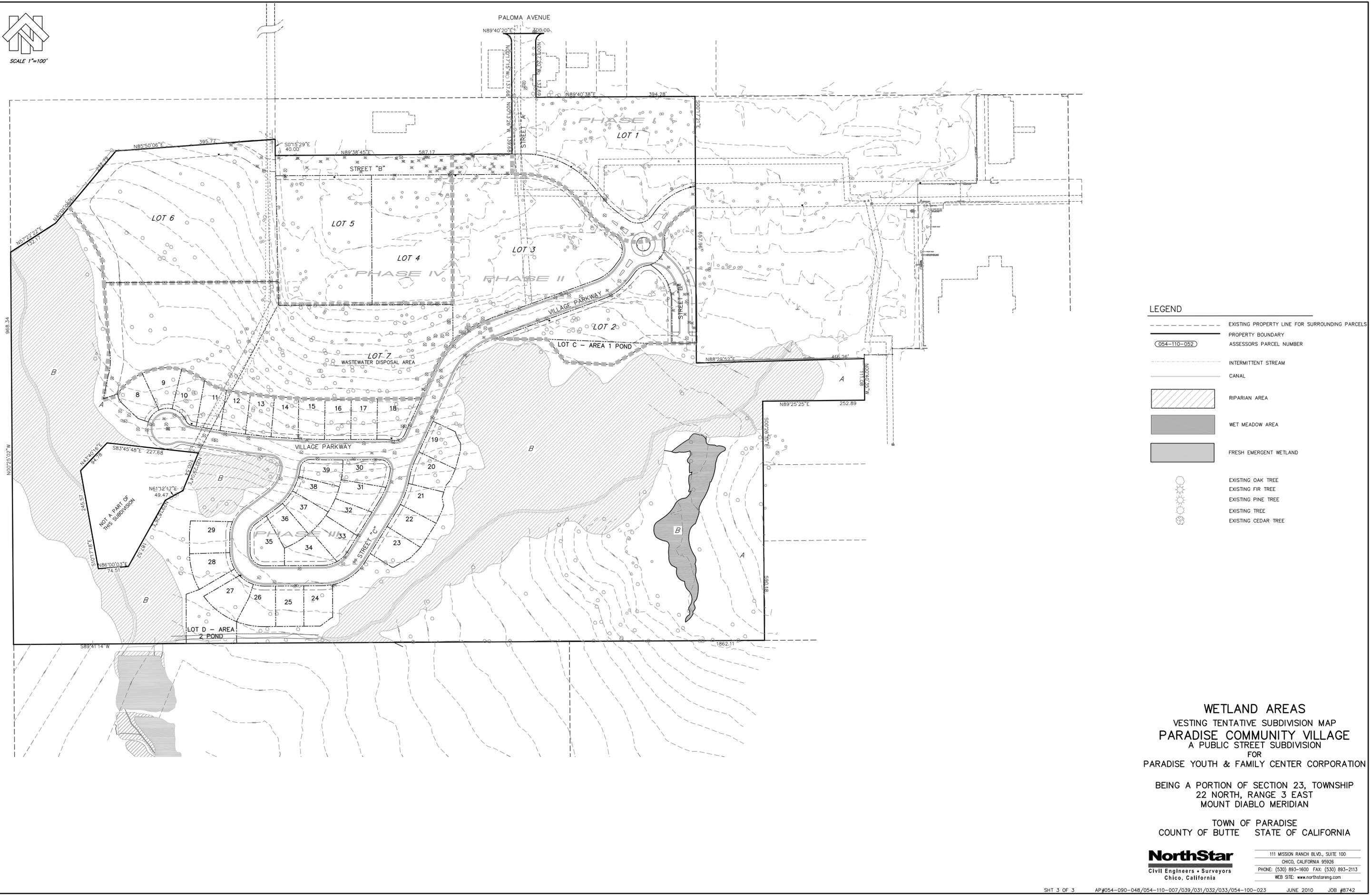
APN	SIZE	CURRENT GP	CURRENT ZONING
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054-100-023	0.19 ACRES	C-S	C-S/P-D
054-110-031	5.24 ACRES	C-S	C-S/P-D
054-110-032	26.6 ACRES	C-S	C-S/P-D
054-110-033	7.56 ACRES	C-S	C-S/P-D
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49.79 ACRES</b>		

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	CANAL
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