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# RECREATION ELEMENT

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## INTRODUCTION

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### PURPOSE AND CONTENT

The purpose of the Recreation Element is to identify and document present park facilities; compare such facilities with current and long-term needs; establish attainable goals and objectives to meet the community's needs; and develop and adopt programs and plans which will accomplish the community's recreation goals.

Background data and information for this element are contained within Chapter 8 of the City of Redding *General Plan Background Report*.

Specific topics addressed within this element include:

- ▶ Natural and Scenic Open Areas.
- ▶ Regional River Parkway.
- ▶ Archaeological and Historic Resources (as they relate to park and recreation sites).
- ▶ Park Planning and Development.
- ▶ Compatibility with Adjacent Land Uses.
- ▶ Facility Funding and Management.
- ▶ Recreation Programs.

- ▶ Citywide Trail System.
- ▶ Vandalism and User Safety.

The Recreation Element is intended to be used as a coordinating document by all levels of government involved in planning and community development and the management and development of park, recreation, and open-space resources within the Redding Planning Area.

The Recreation Element should also be consulted by property owners, developers, and public officials before preparing land-use applications for consideration by the City. Whenever community issues affecting park, recreation, or open space are being discussed, it is appropriate to refer to the text and map exhibits of this element.

### AUTHORITY

Government Code Section 65560(b)(3) specifies that open space for outdoor recreation be addressed in a community's General Plan. Although many jurisdictions choose to discuss this topic within their Open Space Element, Government Code Section 65303 states that the General Plan may include other elements, such as a Recreation Element, as long as they relate to the physical development of the City. Because of the importance of recreation to the Redding community, the City has had an adopted separate "Recreation Element" since 1985.

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## GOALS AND POLICIES

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To meet the needs of a growing and diverse population, recreational programs and park facilities play a critical role in community safety and in determining our quality of life. They can provide resources to combat juvenile delinquency, gangs, and antisocial behavior. They help develop values, life skills, and experiences of people, particularly our youth, that lead to healthy, socially responsible and productive lives. They can promote opportunities for citizens to be volunteers and advocates, enhancing communication and creating a sense of ownership in our community.

Background information for this element identifies several deficiencies in meeting Redding's park and recreation needs, particularly Neighborhood and Community Parks. The challenge to recreation and park providers is to balance the community's desire for a full spectrum of park facilities and recreation programs with the reality of limited resources.

It is recognized that new development can be beneficial to a city. However, it must be balanced with the realization that growth without "quality of life" as a critical component is not beneficial and ultimately counterproductive. This is a concern held by many Redding residents and community groups. In fact, this concern has resulted in several unique private/public partnerships to enhance park and recreation facilities such as the Sacramento River Trail, Turtle Bay Museum, Redding Arboretum, and Kids Kingdom—a portion of Enterprise Community Park.

To meet the community's desire for not only large public parks, but also smaller neighborhood-oriented facilities and improved open space, expansion of the private/public partnership concept and existing public partnerships is proposed within this element. The private/public partnership approach places more responsibility on the private sector for providing small neighborhood-oriented amenities to serve individual subdivisions and allows the City to direct a larger portion of its resources toward the community's broader park and recreation needs. Expansion of existing public partnerships emphasizes the collocation of parks with schools and utilization of joint use and maintenance agreements to maximize efficiencies. Implementation of both approaches is considered necessary in order to provide and maintain the full range of park and facility types that is desired.

As population and the density of development within the Planning Area continue to increase, park, recreation, and open-space areas will become even more important to the community. At the same time, the availability of suitable parklands will decrease as potential sites are developed. Therefore, it is essential that suitable sites for public parks, trails, and other recreational features be identified and acquired well in advance of their actual need and, at times, before funding sources for facility development have been established to ensure that adequate lands will be available to meet long-term needs.

This section includes goals and policies designed to address the primary recreation and park development issues. The goals, policies, and exhibits contained in this element will serve as the framework for meeting the City's ongoing park and recreation needs.

### NATURAL AND SCENIC OPEN AREAS

The City of Redding is fortunate to have a variety of natural, scenic, and open-space features throughout the community. The most important of these is the Sacramento River, which essentially bisects the City. The river is viewed as a focal point of the community. Development of a Regional River Parkway has long been envisioned as a multijurisdictional project that would maximize and enhance the recreational potential of the river. Therefore, efforts to plan and design the City's recreational system should focus on maximizing and protecting this resource.

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### GOAL R1

#### RECOGNIZE THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AS THE BACKBONE OF THE CITY'S PARK SYSTEM.

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#### Policies to achieve this goal are to:

- R1A. Prepare a Regional River Parkway Plan for areas along the Sacramento River between Shasta Dam and the City of Anderson to address:
- ▶ Resource protection.
  - ▶ Recreational opportunities.
  - ▶ Location of existing and proposed facilities.
  - ▶ Recommendations for speed limits and use restrictions on the river, where warranted.

- ▶ Acquisition of lands.
- ▶ Management and operations.
- ▶ Financing.

- R1B. Preserve native trees and riparian and other natural vegetation along the Sacramento River by incorporating these features into park designs, where feasible.
- R1C. Plan and implement a public trail along the Sacramento River that also provides connections, where feasible, to school facilities and other destination points.
- R1D. Protect and enhance public, fire, and rescue access along the entire riverfront, while minimizing/mitigating impacts to the fullest extent possible.
- R1E. Educate the public on responsible use of the river and on the economic benefits, such as increased tourism, that can result from protecting and enhancing the Sacramento River corridor.

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### **GOAL R2**

#### **PRESERVE AND ENCOURAGE THE JUDICIOUS DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE NATURAL RESOURCE AREAS WHICH HAVE A UNIQUE RECREATION POTENTIAL.**

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#### **Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R2A. Establish park sites and public open-space areas along the river and tributary creeks through public and private land purchases, land dedications, easements, and similar mechanisms.
- R2B. Promote the use of native plants, particularly valley oaks, where appropriate in park and natural open-space areas.

#### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES**

Redding is rich in both archaeological and historic resources. Because park and recreational facilities are often located adjacent to waterways or woodland areas, there is a high probability that archaeological, historic, or cultural resources will be encountered within sites proposed for park and recreation use. Depending on the type of resource involved, these features can often

be incorporated into facility designs.

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### **GOAL R3**

#### **PRESERVE AND ENHANCE REDDING'S HISTORIC AND CULTURAL HERITAGE IN THE PROCESS OF PARK DEVELOPMENT.**

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#### **Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R3A. Protect and enhance historically significant structures and resources located in park and open-space lands.
- R3B. Ensure that park-development and parkland-acquisition proposals consider potential impacts to historical or archaeological resources and minimize or eliminate those impacts to the fullest extent possible.
- R3C. Integrate historic resources into park developments, where possible.

#### **PARK PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

With the adoption of the General Plan in 2000, policy guidance to develop and implement the citywide *Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan* was provided (Previously Policy R4A). That master plan was adopted in 2004 and is known as the *Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan* (PTOSMP.) Generalized descriptions for various types of recreational lands are referenced below. The PTOSMP includes complete descriptions of each facility type. The type and location of existing public park facilities and/or private facilities accessible to the general public are shown on Appendix "A."

**Neighborhood Parks** are fully developed parks which typically contain a variety of active recreational facilities such as playgrounds, picnic areas, basketball or tennis courts, and open play areas. These facilities are intended primarily for informal recreational activities and divided into two categories:

- ▶ **Small Neighborhood Parks** are typically .25 to 5 acres in size and, in addition to providing recreational opportunities, provide visual and aesthetic landscape relief in the otherwise urbanized setting.

- ▶ **Large Neighborhood Parks** are typically 5 to 15 acres in size and serve as the recreational and social focus area of a neighborhood. The size of these parks allows for a more diverse recreational experience and provides the opportunity to take advantage of natural features that may occur on the site.

**School-Parks Joint Use Facilities** include all public park areas that are located adjacent to or collocated with schools. In some instances, the City may not own any of the facilities, but operates programs from school-owned buildings and property. These park areas can help bridge the gap for necessary neighborhood parks in areas where no parkland is available. Joint-use agreements are typically utilized to address public use of school facilities and maintenance.

**Regional Parks** are generally 50 acres or more in size and accommodate a broader range of uses and activities that are designed to attract users from both within and outside the city. These facilities provide a wide variety of specialized facilities and activities and often are located and designed to preserve unique landscapes and open spaces as well as serving recreational needs.

**Community Parks** typically range from 15 acres to 50 acres in size and contain a variety of organized group recreational facilities such as sports fields, picnic areas, basketball or tennis courts, and playgrounds. The facilities allow for group activities that may not be desirable or feasible in smaller neighborhood parks, including tournament-play ball fields, fieldhouses, and recreation and/or community centers. Informal recreation activities are also provided for.

These facilities serve a substantial portion of the indoor and outdoor recreation needs of the city, by providing opportunities for both organized and informal recreation.

**Special Purpose Facilities** are developed for a focused or highly specialized purpose. Examples range from cultural amenities, such as performing arts facilities, amphitheatres, arboretums, and senior centers, to recreation sites, such as boat ramps, campgrounds, sports stadiums and complexes, aquatic centers, public golf courses, skateboard parks, etc.

**Private Neighborhood Parks** are developed, owned, and maintained by the private sector for the exclusive use of residents within the neighborhood. These facilities may include tot lots, playgrounds, picnic

facilities, open play areas, and/or streets and other landscaped areas designed for more passive recreational uses or visual enhancement. These facilities are typically constructed as an integral part of and simultaneously with residential development projects. Active park facilities and/or passive landscaped areas are encouraged. Additional amenities, such as pools, tennis courts, and basketball courts, may also be provided. The size of these parks varies; however, they are typically smaller than public neighborhood parks.

**Natural Area Parks** place a higher emphasis on natural resource characteristics, rather than high-impact recreational activities, and are typically located to provide access to special views, conservation areas, lakes, streams, and/or the Sacramento River.

**Trails** are linear facilities that can be single- or multipurpose in nature. Surfacing materials, widths, and designs vary depending on the intended function and/or anticipated user group.

**Open-Space** areas are usually maintained in a relatively natural condition and provide for extremely low-impact, passive recreation uses. These areas often contain steep slopes, floodplains, scenic viewsheds, or sensitive habitats. Given the natural condition of these areas, open space is not considered as "parkland" under Goal R4.

Park and recreation areas have historically been public facilities. However, in the face of dwindling resources, new approaches to providing park and recreational amenities are needed. The development and maintenance of small parks or improved open-space areas designed to serve an individual subdivision or group of small subdivisions are encouraged to become a private-sector responsibility. In turn, the City will direct a larger portion of its resources toward addressing broader community needs through the development of Small Neighborhood, Large Neighborhood, and Community Parks. The City will also attempt to maximize facility development and utilization by collocating parks with schools whenever practical. In order to ensure that the needs of all segments of the population are considered, opportunities for public input and participation should be provided during all aspects of park and recreation planning.

Beyond acquisition of adequate parkland, another important issue to the community is the need for full

development of the land that is acquired. Therefore, policies have been incorporated supporting construction of new or undeveloped park sites. In order to ensure that an adequate amount of improved parkland is provided as growth and development occurs, many jurisdictions adopt specific standards which identify the community's desired level of improved parkland acreage per 1,000 population. Within the City of Redding, the desired standard is ten acres per 1,000. This figure includes: developed and undeveloped parks that are owned and maintained by the City, such as Small and Large Neighborhood Parks; Community Parks; Special Purpose Facilities; parkland adjacent to schools in instances where the land is publicly owned; and parkland and play areas associated with school-owned recreational facilities, where long-term, joint-use agreements have been established; trails, improved open-space areas within residential developments, and private neighborhood parks. Not included are (1) school facilities where no long-term, joint-use agreements are in effect and (2) open space.

Figure 7-1 identifies general locations where future parks will be needed based on proposed development densities depicted on the General Plan Diagram. The locations illustrated on Figure 7-1 should not be considered site-specific. The purpose of the figure is to identify the types of public park facilities that will be needed based on buildout of the General Plan and their approximate distribution.

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### **GOAL R4**

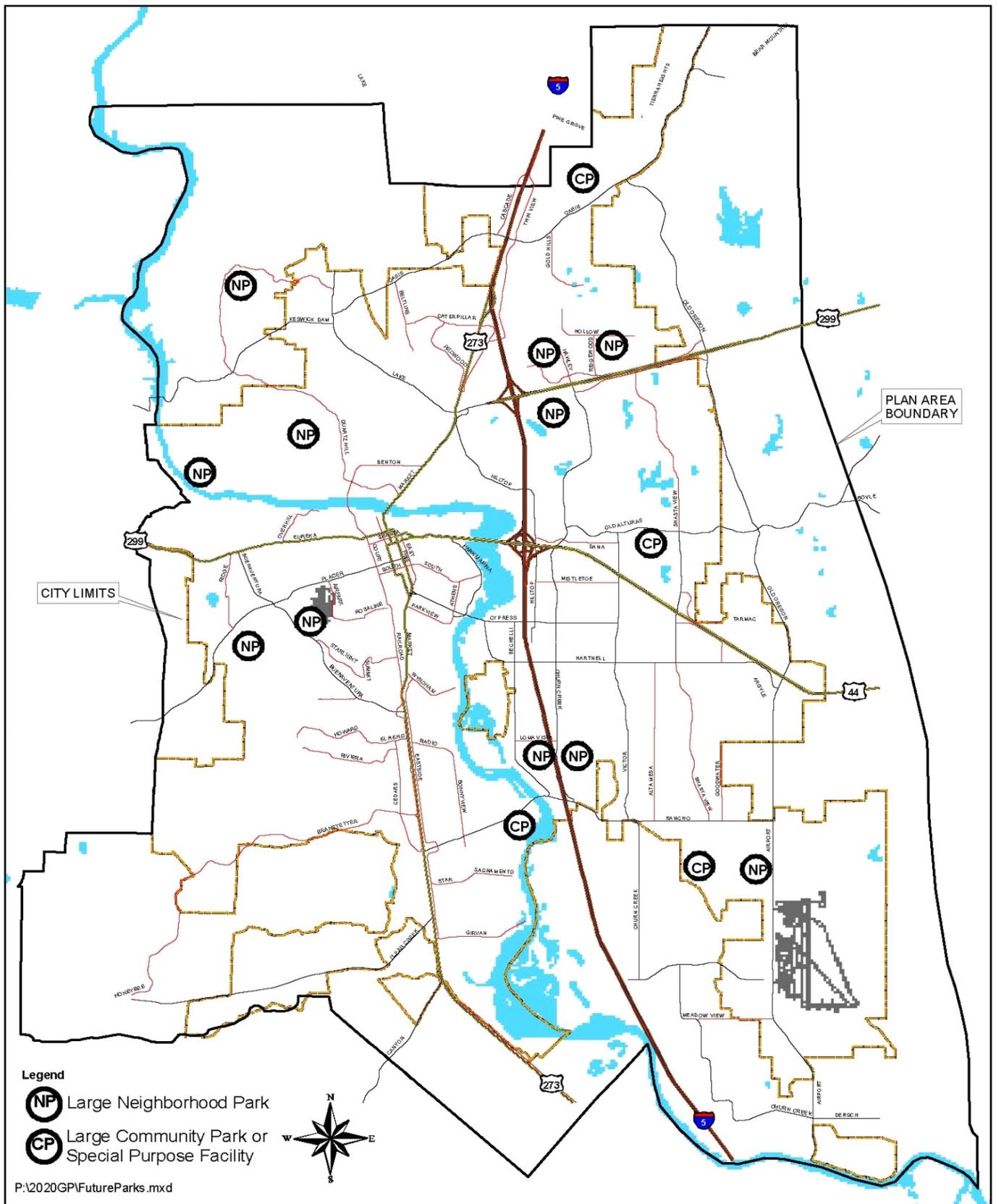
#### **PROVIDE A MINIMUM OF TEN ACRES OF IMPROVED PARKLAND PER 1,000 POPULATION AND A BROAD RANGE OF FACILITY TYPES.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R4A. Continue to implement and update as appropriate the *2004 Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan* (Parks Master Plan).
- R4B. Support operation of the regional sports complex containing "Big League Dreams" and "Redding Soccer Park" to meet existing and future needs for softball, baseball, soccer, roller hockey, and similar facilities.

- R4C. Locate at least one Large Community Park in each quadrant of the City (refer to Figure 7-1) as indicated generally on the General Plan Diagram.
- R4D. Accept only parkland that is consistent with the City's site, locational, and development requirements.
- R4E. Acquire Large Neighborhood and Community Park sites well in advance of their actual need.
- R4F. Explore nontraditional methods for acquiring park and recreation land.
- R4G. Disperse park facilities and equipment throughout the community to prevent an undue concentration in any one area.
- R4H. Locate parks adjacent to school facilities, whenever possible, to maximize recreational opportunities and joint use of facilities.
- R4I. Establish agreements with local schools which will allow other agencies, groups, or members of the public to use special facilities and grounds (such as multipurpose rooms, gymnasiums, sports fields, basketball courts, etc.) during times when school is not in session to accommodate additional community and recreational activities. Where such agreements are in effect, the facilities may be included in the City's parkland inventory.
- R4J. Increase the acreage and quality of developed park facilities by placing a priority on:
  - ▶ Building out existing Large Neighborhood and/or Community parks that are underdeveloped.
  - ▶ Encouraging developers of large residential projects to dedicate land and build out park sites.
  - ▶ Encouraging community-based park improvements such as gifts or community-improvement projects.



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Figure 7-1 Future Parks (Conceptual Locations)

- ▶ Coordinating improvements and programs with nonprofit organizations, schools, other agencies, and private-sector providers to avoid duplication of facilities and programs.

R4K. Encourage collocation of public and private parks with flood-control facilities, such as stormwater detention basins, where appropriate, to maximize the efficient use of land.

R4L. Pursue the acquisition of surplus federal, state, and local lands, where appropriate, to meet present and future park and recreation needs.

R4M. Work with citizens groups and other agencies to prioritize development of and identify appropriate locations for Special Purpose Facilities. Facilities to be considered may include a public golf course, sports field complexes, indoor or outdoor archery facilities, an indoor or outdoor pool complex.

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**GOAL R5**

**ENSURE THAT NEW DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTES TO THE PARK, RECREATION, AND IMPROVED OPEN-SPACE NEEDS OF THE CITY.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

R5A. Adhere to the standards of the *Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan* to ensure that new residential projects provide appropriate levels of improved open-space and/or recreational amenities.

R5B. Continue to require developers of residential property to contribute park sites or pay in-lieu fees at the maximum rate allowed by state law.

R5C. Provide a partial credit toward in-lieu fees, parkland dedication requirements, and/or park development fees for:

- ▶ Construction of private recreation facilities, improved open-space areas, and parks.

- ▶ Recreational amenities constructed within

existing public park facilities or schools where a long-term, joint-use agreement is in effect.

- ▶ Private development of new public parks.

R5D. Adjust parkland in-lieu fees regularly to reflect current land values.

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**GOAL R6**

**CREATE AN AWARENESS THAT RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS AND PARK FACILITIES SERVE A COMMUNITY-SAFETY NEED. PROVIDE A MIX OF RECREATION PROGRAMS AND PARK FACILITIES THAT APPEALS TO ALL AGE, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND ETHNIC GROUPS IN THE COMMUNITY.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

R6A. Monitor population, age, economic, and ethnic ratios to ensure that recreation programs and park facilities meet the most pressing needs.

R6B. Explore the creation of recreation-based programs and park facilities in conjunction with law enforcement, schools, local colleges, and community groups that address current social concerns for youth violence, crime, and drug problems.

R6C. Program recreation activities jointly with schools and local colleges, where possible.

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**GOAL R7**

**ENCOURAGE SHASTA COUNTY TO PROVIDE PARKLAND AND RECREATION PROGRAMS IN THOSE UNINCORPORATED SECTORS OF THE REDDING PLANNING AREA IN WHICH URBANIZATION IS PERMITTED BY THE COUNTY.**

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**Policy to achieve this goal is to:**

R7A. Encourage the County to acquire and improve Neighborhood Parks as a part of the subdivision development process.

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**GOAL R8**  
**PROMOTE A REGIONAL APPROACH TO**  
**RECREATION FACILITY AND PROGRAM**  
**PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT.**

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**Policy to achieve this goal is to:**

R8A. Encourage a regional approach to the provision, planning, and development of recreation facilities and programs by promoting cooperation with school districts, special service districts, neighboring communities, Shasta County, and the federal government. Recognize that policies and programs restricted to jurisdictional boundaries can impede the provision of high-quality facilities and programs that benefit the citizens of Redding.

**COMPATIBILITY WITH ADJACENT LAND USES**

Although park facilities are typically viewed as an asset to the community and its residents, there are some impacts associated with certain types of park activities and features that may be incompatible with surrounding residential development. The introduction of night lighting for organized sporting events such as softball, football, and soccer; noise generated by organized sport activities that attract large numbers of users or spectators; and increased traffic and parking demands all have the potential to adversely impact surrounding residential neighborhoods.

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**GOAL R9**  
**MINIMIZE THE IMPACTS OF RECREATIONAL**  
**FACILITIES ON ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL**  
**DEVELOPMENT.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

R9A. Avoid the installation of sports-related lighting in neighborhood parks and school-park joint-use facilities, where it will impact residents of the neighborhood; appropriate mitigation features shall be incorporated where such lighting is allowed.

R9B. Minimize to the fullest extent the impacts of sports field lighting at Large Community Parks, junior high schools, and high schools on

adjacent residential uses. Mitigation may include:

- ▶ Restrictions on the height, wattage, or orientation of lighting equipment.
- ▶ Shielding requirements for light fixtures.
- ▶ Limitations on the times the lights may be utilized.
- ▶ Installation of vegetative screens where playing fields abut adjacent residential uses.

R9C. Locate Large Neighborhood and Community Parks on collector or arterial streets to ensure that adequate access and road capacity are available to serve the facilities.

R9D. Install signage, traffic-safety features, and traffic-calming devices as necessary to reduce traffic speeds in residential areas surrounding parks and provide for the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists.

R9E. Provide sufficient off-street parking to accommodate anticipated parking demands generated by park and recreation facilities.

R9F. Locate parking areas for park and recreation uses away from abutting residential uses, where possible. Where no other reasonable location for off-street parking areas exists, screening shall be provided along adjacent residential properties. Screening may include solid fencing and/or vegetative buffers.

R9G. Locate active recreation features and amenities, such as sports fields, bleachers, playgrounds, and pools, away from adjacent residential uses whenever possible.

**FACILITY FUNDING AND MANAGEMENT**

Acquiring adequate funding for park development and ongoing maintenance is a challenge. Since the level of funding ultimately determines the level and quality of recreational opportunities that are provided, the City will need to consider and implement a variety of funding and management strategies for its park and recreation facilities.

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**GOAL R10**

**ESTABLISH ADEQUATE FUNDING MECHANISMS TO IMPLEMENT THE FACILITY AND PROGRAM NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN THIS ELEMENT.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R10A. Adjust park-development fees regularly to reflect current park-development costs.
- R10B. Explore innovative means of financing new facilities and maintaining existing and future parks such as the creation of a park and recreation district or similar measure.
- R10C. Establish an "Adopt a Park" program to encourage volunteer groups, service clubs, and other members of the private sector to assist with the development and maintenance of park and recreation facilities. If ongoing maintenance is an issue, innovative ways of providing this service need exploration and should not prohibit development of these park and recreation facilities.
- R10D. Pursue joint development and service agreements with elementary and high school districts.

**CITYWIDE TRAIL SYSTEM**

The topography and natural setting of Redding, including the Sacramento River and its numerous tributary creeks, provide outstanding opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian travel. As discussed earlier in this element, development of a Regional River Parkway along the Sacramento River between Shasta Dam and Anderson, has long been envisioned as a multijurisdictional project that would maximize and enhance the recreational potential of the river. Development of a citywide recreational trail system, which links residential uses to commercial, industrial, recreation, and other public uses, is also considered a priority. Additional goals and policies regarding commuter bicycle and pedestrian facilities are contained the Transportation Element.

The trail plan contained in the *Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan* is schematically depicted on Figure 7-2. It depicts both existing and proposed trails, and differentiates between those that will have a paved surface and those which are appropriate for a more natural surface. The plan also addresses interfaces between public trails and private property to protect the

security and privacy of adjacent residents.

Similar to the need to acquire suitable lands for public parks at the earliest opportunity, it is also essential that the City continually work to acquire necessary land dedications and easements for public trails through a combination of direct purchases and the discretionary approval process for new development and redevelopment projects. In many areas along the Sacramento River and creek corridors, development has already occurred before dedications and easements for public trail purposes were required. Acquisition in these areas will be more challenging and need to occur on a gradual basis as opportunities arise. It is possible that formal trail improvements will not be completed at some locations within the projected 20-year life of this General Plan. However, the acquisition, land dedications, and easements should still be pursued so that public access opportunities and future options for additional trail development are protected. Where continuous trails cannot be provided or are not feasible, connections to the City street system can serve to link trail sections. Figure 7-2 depicts the trail system contained in the Parks Master Plan.

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**GOAL R11  
PROMOTE AND FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF A  
CITYWIDE RECREATIONAL TRAIL SYSTEM.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R11A. Utilize the trail system plan of the *Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan* to locate future trails. In general, the trail system should:
  - ▶ Focus on linking neighborhoods to other land uses and significant destination points within the community.
  - ▶ Separate bicyclists and pedestrians from vehicular traffic and pedestrian facilities from bicycle facilities, whenever feasible.
  - ▶ Provide continuous trail connections, including a looped system around the City.

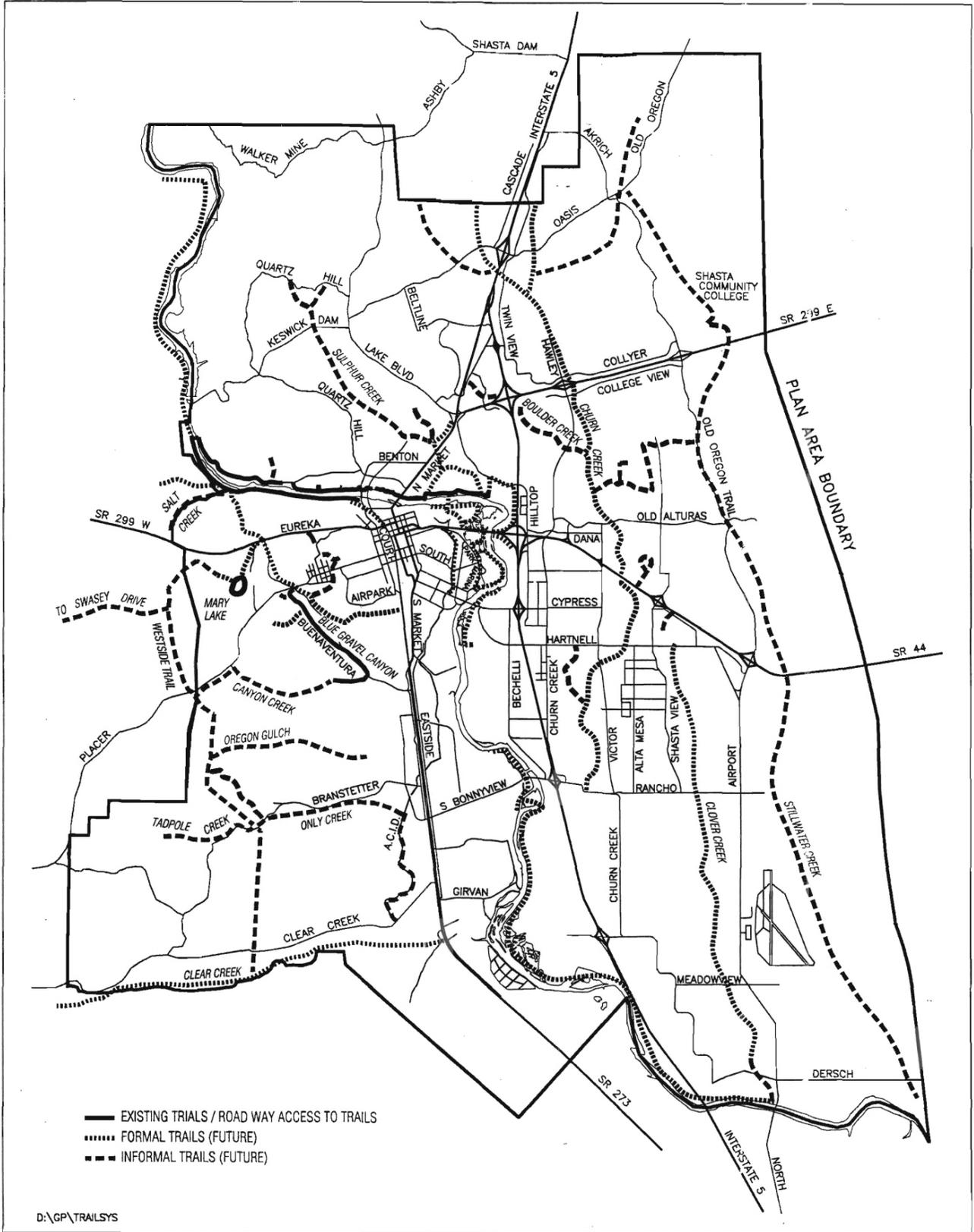


Figure 7-2 Trail System



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- R11B. Continue development of the Sacramento River Trail to establish a common and continuous thread along the river corridor, connecting recreational, educational, cultural, commercial, and residential areas/uses.
- R11C. Continue to obtain land dedications and/or easements for the development of public trails and the Regional River Parkway through direct purchases and the discretionary approval process for new development.
- R11D. Pursue funding which can be used for parkway and trail-system planning, land acquisitions, construction, and maintenance.
- R11E. Design bicycle and trail systems in a manner that protects the privacy and security of adjacent land uses, allows for easy maneuvering, and promotes user safety.
- R11F. Encourage the establishment of volunteer bicycle-path/recreation-trail patrols to improve the real and perceived level of safety for users of those facilities.

**REGIONAL RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

This plan envisions that the citywide trail system will complement and become an integral component of a regional trail and recreation system. Much work has been accomplished to date by various agencies and organizations to lay the foundation for a number of recreation/natural areas and regional trails. This includes establishment of right-of-way and construction of a portion of the "Westside Trail," organizing efforts to extend the Sacramento River Trail from Redding to the Interlakes Recreation Area and planning for a trail connection between the Sacramento River and the Whiskeytown National Recreation Area along Clear Creek. Completion of these trails, together with the City's trail system, will provide invaluable recreational opportunities. Further, with the establishment of the Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve, additional public lands are available for passive recreational pursuits. As Redding's population continues to grow in the coming decades, the opportunity these areas will offer will become even more appreciated by citizens of Redding.

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**GOAL R12**  
**PROMOTE AND FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT**  
**OF A REGIONAL RECREATION AND TRAIL**  
**SYSTEM THAT WILL COMPLEMENT THE CITY'S**  
**TRAIL SYSTEM.**

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**Policy to achieve this goal is to:**

- R12A. Encourage efforts to develop recreational opportunities in those natural areas neighboring the City, including the Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve, the Westside Trail, the Clear Creek Trail, and extension of the Sacramento River Trail from Redding to the Interlakes Recreation Area at Shasta Dam.

**VANDALISM AND USER SAFETY**

Studies of public attitudes have found that the level of use and enjoyment of recreational facilities are directly related to an individual's perceptions regarding personal safety. Since the City has invested and will continue to invest significantly in the development of park and recreational facilities, it is essential that the topics of vandalism and improved park safety be addressed.

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**GOAL R13**  
**REDUCE THE PREVALENCE OF VANDALISM AND**  
**INCREASE THE LEVEL OF SAFETY IN PARK**  
**FACILITIES AND OPEN-SPACE LANDS.**

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**Policies to achieve this goal are to:**

- R13A. Plan for safe and secure park and recreation areas.
- R13B. Incorporate security lighting and other design features within park and recreation facilities to reduce vandalism and improve user safety, while protecting surrounding residential uses from excessive light and glare.
- R13C. Consider providing park hosts for all larger parks.
- R13D. Establish a policy of zero tolerance for vandalism.

## APPENDIX "A"

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#### PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES BY TYPE

##### DEVELOPED AND UNDEVELOPED PARK SITES

| Map No.                         | Park                            | Acres        | Developed Acres <sup>1</sup> | Description of Facilities   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Small Neighborhood Parks</b> |                                 |              |                              |   |
| 1                               | Amethyst Park                   | .61          |                              | Picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 2                               | Bedrock Park **                 | .50          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 3                               | Benton Airpark *                | 2.30         |                              | Parking lot, picnic area, turf grass  |
| 4                               | Bobwhite Park                   | .43          |                              | Playground area, turf grass   |
| 5                               | Carnelian Park                  | .50          |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, turf grass   |
| 6                               | Churn Creek Heights **          | 1.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 7                               | Clover Creek Park *             | 2.75         | 1.00                         | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass  |
| 8                               | Country Heights Park            | 3.59         | 1.50                         | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass  |
| 9                               | Creekside Park                  | .87          |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 10                              | Foothill Park                   | 3.25         |                              | Turf grass  |
| 11                              | Foxtail Park                    | 1.00         |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass  |
| 12                              | Graham Park                     | .40          |                              | Parking lot, picnic area, turf grass  |
| 13                              | Hacienda Heights, Unit 5 **     | 1.23         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 14                              | Hawn Avenue Park                | .31          |                              | Picnic area, playground area  |
| 15                              | Indian Hills Park               | 1.40         | .75                          | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 16                              | Library Park                    | .30          |                              | Historical, parking lot, picnic area, turf grass  |
| 17                              | Martin Luther King Jr. Park     | 3.30         |                              | Baseball field, basketball court, horseshoe court, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, restrooms, turf grass, handicapped access, multipurpose building, shade structure |
| 18                              | Meadow Creek Park *             | 2.00         |                              | Turf grass  |
| 19                              | Minder Park                     | 1.00         |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 20                              | Northridge Gardens Park         | .75          |                              | Picnic area, turf grass, handicapped access, shade structure  |
| 21                              | Old City Hall Park              | .10          |                              | Historical, arboretum/museum  |
| 22                              | Peppertree Park                 | 2.00         |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, trail, turf grass   |
| 23                              | Rancho Estates Park **          | 3.27         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 24                              | Ravenwood Park                  | .76          |                              | Picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 25                              | River Park Highlands **         | 1.92         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 26                              | River Park Highlands, Unit 2 ** | 1.21         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 27                              | River Ridge Park I **           | 1.90         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 28                              | River Ridge Park II **          | 2.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 29                              | Rolling Hills Park              | 1.28         |                              | Basketball court, turf grass  |
| 30                              | Rosetree Park **                | 2.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 31                              | Stillwater Heights Park         | 1.85         | 1.00                         | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
| 32                              | Summerfield Meadows **          | 2.26         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 33                              | Tourmaline Park **              | .50          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 34                              | T.R. Woods Memorial Park        | 3.00         |                              | Basketball court, parking lot, playground area, turf grass, shade structure   |
| 35                              | Valley Ridge Park               | 1.47         | 1.00                         | Basketball court, picnic area, turf grass   |
| 36                              | Vista Ridge **                  | .92          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 37                              | Waverly Park **                 | .60          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 38                              | Western Oaks Park               | 2.10         |                              | Basketball court, picnic area, playground, turf grass, handicapped access   |
| 39                              | Whistling Park **               | 2.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 40                              | Wilson Street Park **           | 3.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 41                              | Victoria Knolls **              | 5.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    |                                 | <b>66.63</b> |                              |   |

| DEVELOPED AND UNDEVELOPED PARK SITES |  |               |                              |   |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------|------------------------------|---|
| Map No.                              | Park                                     | Acres         | Developed Acres <sup>1</sup> | Description of Facilities   |
| <b>Large Neighborhood Parks</b>      |  |               |                              |   |
| 42                                   | Alta Mesa Park                           | 6.76          |                              | Baseball field, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, restroom, tennis court, turf grass   |
| 43                                   | Blossom Park **                          | 5.90          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 44                                   | Hacienda Heights **                      | 6.60          |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 45                                   | Lake Redding Park                        | 10.00         |                              | Historical, horseshoe court, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, restrooms, trail, turf grass, fishing access, shade structure   |
| 46                                   | Mary Lake Park *                         | 30.00         | 25.00                        | Picnic area, trail, fishing access  |
| 47                                   | Ridgeview Park*<br>2150 Cumberland Drive | 6.06          | 1.90                         | Basketball court, picnic area, playground area, turf grass, handicapped access  |
|                                      | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>65.32</b>  |                              |   |
| <b>Community Parks</b>               |  |               |                              |   |
| 48                                   | Buckeye Park*                            | 30.00         | 9.40                         | Baseball field, parking lot, picnic area, restrooms, tennis court, trail, turf grass  |
| 49                                   | Caldwell Park                            | 70.00         |                              | Baseball field, basketball court, boat ramp, historical, arboretum/museum, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, restrooms, soccer field, swimming, trail, turf grass, handicap parking, fishing access, multipurpose building |
| 50                                   | Cascade Park*                            | 27.64         | 4.00                         | Basketball court, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, trail, turf grass, fishing access  |
| 51                                   | Enterprise Park *                        | 94.60         | 30.00                        | Basketball court, parking lot, picnic area, playground, restrooms, soccer field, roller hockey, tennis court, turf grass, handicapped parking, shade structure  |
| 52                                   | South City Park                          | 20.00         |                              | Baseball field, parking lot, picnic area, playground area, restrooms, tennis court, turf grass, multipurpose building   |
| 53                                   | Twin View Park **                        | 41.20         |                              | Undeveloped   |
|                                      | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>283.44</b> |                              |   |
| <b>Joint School/Park Facilities</b>  |  |               |                              |   |
| 54                                   | Enterprise High School                   | 4.00          |                              | Parking lot, soccer field, swimming   |
| 55                                   | Parsons Jr. High School                  | 4.00          |                              | Baseball field, parking lot, restrooms, soccer field  |
| 56                                   | Sequoia Middle School                    | 4.00          |                              | Parking lot, soccer field, tennis court   |
|                                      | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>12.00</b>  |                              |   |
| <b>Special Purpose Facilities</b>    |  |               |                              |   |
| 57                                   | Community Garden Center*                 | 18.00         | 10.00                        | Parking lot, restrooms  |
| 58                                   | Riverfront Park*                         | 17.00         |                              | Boat ramp, parking lot, picnic area, restrooms, turf grass, fishing access  |
| 59                                   | Riverland Drive **                       | 54.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 60                                   | Rodeo Grounds                            | 12.00         |                              | Rodeo arena, bleachers, restrooms, parking lot  |
| 61                                   | Senior Citizen Hall                      | 1.95          |                              | Parking lot, restrooms, handicapped access, multipurpose building   |
| 62                                   | Softball Park                            | 4.40          |                              | Baseball field, parking lot, restrooms  |
| 63                                   | South Bonnyview Boat Launch              | 6.10          | 5.00                         | Boat ramp, parking lot, restrooms, handicapped access, fishing access   |
| 64                                   | Sulphur Creek Park **                    | 10.00         |                              | Undeveloped   |
| 65                                   | Treatment Plant **                       | 272.00        | .50                          | Undeveloped   |
| 66                                   | Turtle Bay East*                         | 85.00         |                              | Parking lot, fishing access   |
|                                      | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>480.45</b> |                              |   |
|                                      | <b>TOTAL ALL FACILITIES</b>              | <b>907.84</b> |                              |   |

\* Partially Developed

\*\* Undeveloped

<sup>1</sup> If different than total acreage

Source: City of Redding Development Services Department, January 1996.