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Public Meeting to Gather Input on Design of New Visitor Center at Cache Creek Nature Preserve

(Woodland, CA) – Yolo County, in partnership with the Cache Creek Conservancy, will be hosting a virtual meeting to inform the public of the current design plans for a new visitor center and trail extension at the County-owned Cache Creek Nature Preserve. At this meeting, the County will also solicit input regarding how this design can better serve the needs of residents in the County and visitors from outside of the region. Attendees of this meeting will have direct interaction with the project design team to discuss features and amenities they would like to see included in the project to improve recreation and education opportunities at the Preserve.

The meeting will take place virtually via Zoom on August 23, 2021 from 5:30-7:00pm.

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtd-2urT4rGNQQQegrSi_-50hVyg7MHlh0

Members of the public who are unable to attend the meeting but want their input considered in the design of this project can respond to the below survey by 9:00 pm on August 23, 2021.

English: <https://forms.gle/DAZSF4UuHSBepttk6> **Spanish:** <https://forms.gle/BorxrReMz3GFA4Rz6>

All meeting attendees and survey participants will have the opportunity to attend an invitation-only sunset bird watching tour at the Cache Creek Nature Preserve.

The Cache Creek Conservancy was established in 1996 to preserve, restore and enhance the Cache Creek Watershed. Opened in April 2000, the Cache Creek Nature Preserve is one of the first restoration projects undertaken by the Conservancy and is a favorite spot to experience nature in Yolo County. The new visitor center and trail extension will build on this long history of commitment to environmental education, restoration, and outreach.

“We have been working to design a new visitor center and trail extension that will enhance the experiences of our visitors and attract new visitors seeking recreation and educational activities in the region,” said Nancy Ullrey, Executive Director of the Cache Creek Conservancy. “We received great feedback from the public during the preliminary design phase and are now ready to get additional input on the design so far.”

The County and Conservancy has been working with NORR, an architecture and engineering firm, on design plans for the visitor center, which could include exhibit space, expansion of event space, better utilization of the working barn, interactive displays, and specific areas to feature local Native American heritage.

“The new visitor center and trail extension will offer new experiences to the County’s residents and visitors alike. It is important to the County to ensure the opinions and needs of our residents are being considered as the design continues to develop,” said Elisa Sabatini, the Yolo County Manager of Natural Resources. “We know that with our community’s input, this project will provide new opportunities to explore and learn about nature.”

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