

Chico 2030 Key Issues #2 Workshop Results Buffers & Boundaries

What do you believe is the most appropriate location for the use of buffers?

Individual Participant Responses	Frequency of Response
Urban edge	7
Along creeks/waterways/Sycamore/Mud Creek	4
Between land uses	3
Industrial lands	1
Residential lands	1
Foothills	1
Between major roadways and residential or commercial	1
Wildlife Areas	1
Vernal wetlands	1
Green line	1
SOI	1
Hwy 32	1

What types of buffers do you believe that the City should utilize to the East (Foothills)?

Individual Participant Responses	Frequency of Response
Geographic Buffer/Permanent Geographic Buffer	8
Open Space	7
Soft Edges	3
Trails/Bikepaths/Pathways	3
500 KV Powerline	3
Vegetative Buffer	2
Recreation	2
Gold Line	2
Decreasing density transitioning to Open Space /Minimal 5-acre Development	2
Wildlife Habitat/Oak Woodland Habitat	1
Hard Edge	1
Cluster Housing	1
Agricultural Lands	1
Preserve as is	1

What types of buffers do you believe that the City should utilize to the West (Agriculture)?

Individual Participant Responses	Frequency of Response
Natural Geographic Buffers/Mud Creek/	7
Vegetative Buffers/Orchards	5
Green line	4
Buffer to prevent over-spraying	4
Preserve Agricultural lands	3
Soft Edge Buffers	3
Highway 32	2
Transition from more to less dense	2
Open Space with Multi-use Trail	2
Key word	1
Hard Edge Buffer	1
Adjoining Buffer	1
300 foot buffers	1

What types of buffers do you believe that the City should utilize in other locations?

Individual Participant Responses	Frequency of Response
Locations and Buffer Types Identified:	
Creek/Mud Creek/Lindo Channel: Buffer with multi-trails/recreation/vegetation	5
Bike paths : Buffer with vegetation/open space	2
North: Extend Green Line	1
South: Preserve Green Line	1
Southwest: Green Line/Railroad tracks	1
Between Commercial and Industrial: Buffer w/ open space/parks	1
Walkways behind residential & commercial developments	1
Between two urban uses: Hard Edges	1
Adjoining buffers should be used where little land is available	1
Residential or Commercial: Open space or agricultural buffers	1
Only Buffer Types Identified:	
Geographic Buffers	2
Vegetative Buffers	2
Never use walls	2
Never use Industrial lands	1
Recreational Trails w/ native habitat	1
Large Buffers	1
Only Locations Identified:	
Airport	1
Around High-Rise buildings	1
General Approach:	
Promote infill development & Protect natural environment	2
Keep Paradise, Chico, Oroville separate	1

General Comments

Individual Participant Responses	Frequency of Response
Buffers should be appropriate for their location	3
Avoid walls	3
Prefer soft edge natural buffers	3
Need large buffer between Agricultural land and Built environment to reduce pollution and overspray	2
Cemetery use as buffer	2
Maintain green line	2
Residential/rural buffer: uses should blend and boundaries should blur	1
Commercial/Residential buffer: transition should be more fluid/ Promote mixed-use	1
Promote compact design	1
Continued maintenance of buffers	1
Conservation easements should be encouraged	1
More trees everywhere!	1
Incorporate park space in buffers	1
Maintain accessible buffers with multi-use trails	1
Support local food production & consumption	1