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TO: Mayor & City Council

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SUBJ: **City Manager's Weekly Report**

Public Works

- **Safe Routes to School Grant:** Yuba City was awarded \$456,000 in grant funding to provide pedestrian improvements along both sides of Jamie Drive from Blevin Road to Northfield Drive, and the east side of Blevin Road from Jamie Drive to Butte Vista Elementary School. Street improvements will include sidewalks, curbs and gutters, road widening, pavement delineation, and pavement markings. Over the next few months staff will begin working on the project design and coordinating with Caltrans to move the project forward.
- **Railroad Track Equipment Removal on State Route 20:** The City of Yuba City has contracted with Hill & Hill Contracting, Inc. to remove all of the above ground railroad track signal equipment located along State Route 20, east of Stabler Lane. The City has been working with Caltrans to obtain a state encroachment permit and coordinate the night work. Temporary traffic control along Hwy. 20 will be in effect for short periods of time, at night, during the removal of the large overhead signal arms. Work is expected to start early April and last several nights.

Economic Development

- As a result of Council's discussions regarding increasing local business' knowledge of the Enterprise Zone, a letter is being mailed to all businesses within the Zone. One of the benefits available is up to **\$37,000 or more in tax credits** per qualifying employee over a five-year period. By assisting businesses in taking advantage of these benefits, the Enterprise Zone allows money to stay in our local economy. This information, as well as numerous other Enterprise Zone benefits, is explained in the letter being mailed on March 24, 2008.