



Grateful for park supporters

BY JANIS MOHR-TIPTON

We want to thank the many people who are using Cantrall Buckley Park respectfully, observing the current guidelines, including keeping groups to 10 or fewer people, practicing social distancing, and wearing a mask when close to other park users. We are keeping the guidelines current, and you can check for any updates or changes on the Jackson County Parks website: jacksoncountyor.org/parks. We also appreciate everyone's compliance in paying the nominal park entrance fee of \$4. These fees support the maintenance and operations of our community park, keeping it nice, clean, and safe for all to enjoy.

If you are a regular park user, you may want to consider the Jackson County Parks annual pass, available for \$40. Yearly passes can be purchased from the park hosts or the ranger on duty. You can also purchase annual passes at various locations in Medford. The closest store

to the Applegate that sells the park pass is Blackbird, on Main Street in Medford. This pass is a great deal and gives you access to all the Jackson County Parks and Touvelle State Park. If you purchase the 2021 pass in December 2020, there is a \$10 discount, and the pass is good through December 2021.

A Greater Applegate, team members of the volunteer Park Enhancement Program, and staff of Jackson County Parks want to extend our deep gratitude to all the community members, volunteers, and donors supporting Cantrall Buckley Park. We are hopeful that circumstances will change in the future, enabling us to host our park enhancement celebration to showcase and share all the beauty and enhancements you have supported to make this park stand out as a "gem" in our county. However, due to the current health restrictions and safety concerns for everyone, we are cautiously looking



This aerial photo shows the solar site at Cantrall Buckley Park with a 52-panel array which has shaded area for public use under it and a 20 foot-diameter sundial on which people can stand and see the time. In a rectangular area across the drive a developed wetland with plants that filter grey water from the park is visible. Photo: Jason Schonhoff.

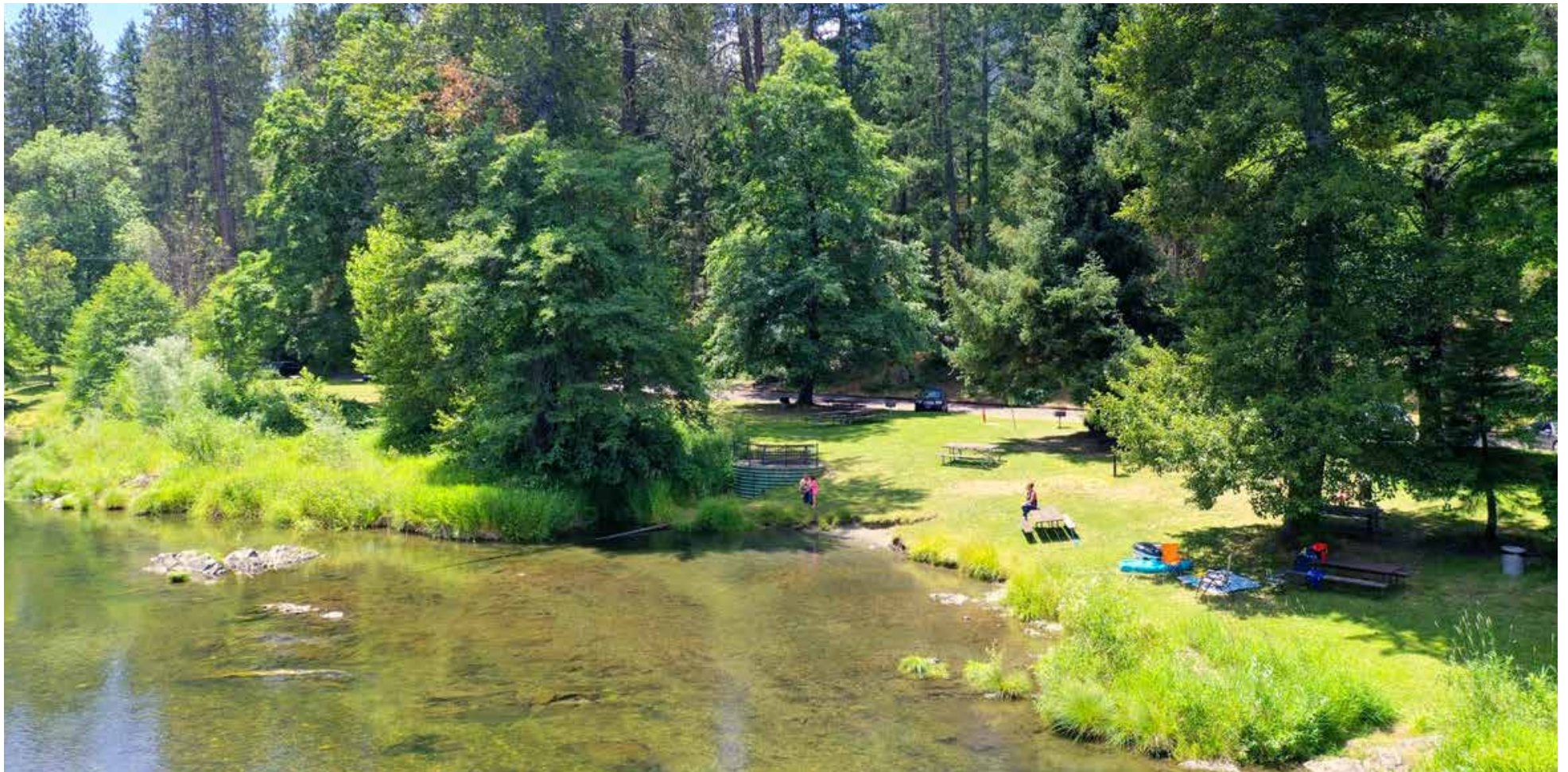
at the spring of 2021 to celebrate our accomplishments at the park together as a community.

The park team is currently re-evaluating the installation and completion timeline for our current projects and continuing virtual discussions on potential future projects. As always, volunteers play a critical role. We will keep you posted on how you can help and will continue to provide guidelines on how these volunteer events are being conducted to meet safety and health guidelines. If you are

interested in helping us move forward with new ideas on the team, interested in volunteer work, or want to donate toward a project, contact Janis Mohr-Tipton, chair for the Cantrall Buckley Park Enhancement Program, by email at janis.agapark@gmail.com.

Enjoy our beautiful park safely and be well.

Janis and the Park Team.
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Cantrall Buckley Parks offers the opportunity to do some summer picnicking at the river's edge with a swimming area just steps away. Photo: Jason Schonhoff.

Voices of the Applegate

Voices of the Applegate to regroup in January

Living with COVID-19 bears many challenges that have also affected our choir. The Voices of the Applegate board, in conjunction with our director, Shayne Flock, and accompanist, Jerry Bull, has decided that it is not safe for us to return to a regular rehearsal schedule for the fall term.

We will not be rehearsing, and we have no concerts planned at this time. We will re-evaluate the situation in January and keep you updated as best we can. Please check out our Facebook page, Voices of the Applegate.

In the meantime, please have safe and joyful fall and winter seasons.

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The Gater wishes you a happy Labor Day, Monday, September 7!

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