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SHRA receives California Natural Resources \$1.8 million Green **Infrastructure Grant for Community Park at Mirasol Village**

Sacramento, CA | Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency has been awarded a \$1.8 million Green Infrastructure grant from the California Natural Resources Agency to support construction of a community park at Mirasol Village, formerly the Twin Rivers housing development at 12th Street and Richards Boulevard in Sacramento. The Green Infrastructure Grant Program was created in 2018 under Proposition 68 which allowed the Legislature to set aside \$18.5 million to the State for competitive grants for investments in multi-benefit green infrastructure to improve disadvantaged communities.

Mirasol Village is designed as Sacramento's largest mixed income sustainable neighborhood. The Mirasol Park is one of the neighborhood's key amenities. It supports the project's goals to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

"Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency is very pleased that the California Natural Resources Agency recognizes the importance and value of the community park project at Mirasol Village which will complement the new development with exciting family-friendly amenities in a sustainably green environment," said SHRA Executive Director La Shelle Dozier.

Mirasol Park will be open for public use and entirely accessible, including ADA compliant sidewalks at the perimeter of the park. Green infrastructure features include a high-capacity underground stormwater detention basin underneath the turf of a playing field; four stormwater planters with educational interpretive panels; a butterfly/pollinator garden with drought tolerant, native species and an educational interpretive panel; and a permeable and accessible pedestrian path around the park. Other public amenities include two play areas covered by butterfly shaped shade structures, shaded picnic area, bike racks, drinking fountain and fitness circuit. The new community will reflect a strong reference to nature, including its name, Mirasol, which is the Spanish word for sunflower, and streets named after butterflies. Construction is anticipated to proceed in early 2021 and be completed by January 2022.

To learn more about the Mirasol Village Redevelopment Project, go to www.shra.org and click Community Revitalization on the home page.



