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**Northern California Natural History Museum Fact Sheet**

**ABOUT**

- \* The Northern California Natural History Museum is a collaboration between California State University, Chico and community leaders.
- \* It will be a state-of-the-art natural history museum that focuses on Northern California's natural heritage, history and resources.
- \* The building will take about a year to complete and will feature permanent and traveling exhibit gallery spaces, a discovery room, a demonstration lab, a store and outdoor exhibits.
- \* Public opening of the museum has not yet been scheduled.

**PRIMARY GOALS**

- \* Create a lifelong learning environment that enables people to explore, interpret and celebrate the natural heritage of the North State through science, research and education.
- \* Provide an educational and culturally enriching experience that a variety of people can enjoy and learn from.
- \* Instill a strong sense of stewardship in North State citizens and encourage sustainable practices and development through education.

**SERVICES**

- \* Provide support to regional teachers to reinforce teachers' knowledge and confidence in addressing science in the classroom.
- \* Make classroom support materials available, through both check-out and Web-based curriculum enhancements.
- \* Offer permanent, temporary and traveling museum exhibits that explore the natural world—past, present and future—and human experience.

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