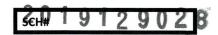
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Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Norco College Campus/Public Lands/Open Space

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The proposed project site is located at 2001 Third Street in the City of Norco (City), in the northwestern portion of Riverside County, near a tri-county meeting point with Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties. The proposed project site is 3 acres and is located on the existing Norco College campus. More specifically, the proposed project site is located on the southeastern portion of the campus, south of Third Street and east of the existing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Center. While the project site is currently undeveloped, several landscape features exist throughout, including young planted ornamental trees, decomposed-granite walkways, and a stand of flags located at the northern end of the project site.

The proposed project would involve the construction of an approximately 2,500-square-foot, 19-foot-high Veterans Resource Center building on the southeastern portion of the Norco College campus. Construction of the Center would necessitate removal of the existing landscaped area currently consisting of walkways and ornamental plants. The Center would include five office spaces, open work stations/study area and laptop space, a restroom for employees and students, lounge seating, and a utility room. The project would also include a 1,000-square-foot outdoor covered deck and BBQ area. The Veterans Resource Center building would feature simulated stone, a standing seam metal roof, and tan and white stucco.

The project would also include exterior site improvements, such as landscaping, a retention pond, a monument plaza, a vehicle drop off area, and associated parking. Landscaping would be designed consistent with the surrounding parts of campus and would feature a mix of native and drought-tolerant plants. The proposed deck would be constructed of concrete and would provide the center with an outdoor event space. The monument plaza located at northern end of the site would connect to the existing Norco Horse Trail, and would feature a stand of flags. The existing stand of flags on site would remain in place during project construction and would be incorporated into the plaza.

Vehicular access to the project site would be via the existing STEM Center would be provided by an expansion of the existing 45-space STEM Center parking lot, located east of the project site. The expanded parking lot would include 20 new parking stalls for a total of 65 parking stalls in the expanded STEM Center parking lot. The Center and associated site work would be Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant and include accessible restrooms and drinking fountains.

Once operational, the new Veterans Resource Center building would provide a centralized location where the College's student veterans can access a variety of services oriented at assisting them with transitioning from military to civilian life. These services would include mental health services, financial aid, academic counseling, tutoring, study spaces, and other support services. The proposed center would operate year-round and would typically be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Similar to many other student resource centers on campus, the Center may occasionally be open after hours throughout the year (e.g., providing study spaces during finals week or hosting weekend events at the beginning of the school year).

The Veterans Resource Center would host approximately six events per year with approximately 100 to 150 attendees. However, additional events may be held for the College's community partners. These events would be held during weekday or weekend evenings from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The following events would be held at the Veterans Resource Center:

- Veterans Social to celebrate student veteran achievements throughout the year.
- Veterans BBQ to celebrate Veterans Day and Memorial Day.
- Student Veterans of America fundraising events such as a chili cook off, salsa competition, and ticket sales for a veterans benefit concert.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X". If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S". X Air Resources Board Office of Historic Preservation Office of Public School Construction Boating & Waterways, Department of California Emergency Management Agency Parks & Recreation, Department of California Highway Patrol Pesticide Regulation, Department of Caltrans District # **Public Utilities Commission** Caltrans Division of Aeronautics Regional WQCB # Resources Agency Caltrans Planning Central Valley Flood Protection Board Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy Coastal Commission San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy Colorado River Board San Joaquin River Conservancy Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy Conservation, Department of **State Lands Commission** Corrections, Department of SWRCB: Clean Water Grants **Delta Protection Commission** SWRCB: Water Quality Education, Department of **Energy Commission** SWRCB: Water Rights Fish & Game Region # 6 Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Toxic Substances Control, Department of Food & Agriculture, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of Water Resources, Department of General Services, Department of Other: Health Services, Department of Housing & Community Development Other: Native American Heritage Commission Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency) Starting Date December 10, 2019 **Ending Date** January 8, 2020 Lead Agency (Complete if applicable): Applicant: Riverside Community College District Consulting Firm: Dudek 2280 Historic Decatur Road, Suite 200 Address: 3801 Market Street Address: City/State/Zip: San Diego, CA 92106 City/State/Zip: Riverside, California 92501 Contact: Caitlin Munson Phone: (951) 222-8962 Phone: 949.373.8324 Signature of Lead Agency Representative:

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