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LANDSCAPING ALONG RIVERSIDE AVENUE BEGINS THIS MONTH

SAN BERNARDINO – Dreams of a beautifully landscaped median along North Rialto’s Riverside Avenue will soon become a reality.

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors recently awarded a contract for the construction of landscape improvements along the median, located in the unincorporated community of El Rancho Verde. Residents have waited for years for this beautification project, which is scheduled to begin the week of April 16.

“The residents of El Rancho Verde and I are eager for the shovel to hit the dirt on this long awaited project,” said San Bernardino County 5th District Supervisor Josie Gonzales. “Personal commitment to seeing this project through speaks admirably to their community pride.”

“Their persistence and partnership with the county, through their Municipal Advisory Council, has been the driver to make this happen,” said Supervisor Gonzales.

In 2005, Supervisor Gonzales allocated \$350,000 for the initial landscape improvements. The homeowners then voted 2 to 1 in July 2006 in favor of a County Service Area Improvement Zone to oversee the ongoing maintenance and improvements to the median.

“Our thanks goes out from the El Rancho Verde Community to the many volunteers and Supervisor Josie Gonzales for helping us organize and plan the beautification of our Riverside median project,” said Joe Ayala, chair of the El Rancho Verde Municipal Advisory Council.

“We would also like to share with our neighboring communities that we are a pro-active, caring community that is proud to live with diversity and is striving to make our neighborhood both safe and beautiful,” he said.

The Fifth District includes the unincorporated areas of Bloomington, Muscoy and Arrowhead Farms, the city of Rialto, major portions of the cities of Colton and San Bernardino, and a segment of the city of Fontana.

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