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SECTION 1

Introduction and Purpose

These guidelines and standards are intended to assist landscape architects, irrigation designers, planners, developers, project applicants, contractors, and the public with the various landscape requirements and procedures within unincorporated areas of Riverside County.

The Riverside County Transportation Department reviews landscape planting and irrigation plans for areas within the public right-of-way, which includes landscaped medians. Project plans are reviewed for compliance with applicable County Ordinances as well as Transportation Department *Plan Check Policies and Guidelines*. The landscape improvements to be reviewed also include certain hardscape elements such as concrete sidewalks, decomposed granite (D.G.) multi-purpose trails, theme fencing (PVC rail fencing), concrete header curbs, and median paving such as stamped concrete or grouted cobble.

The Transportation Department does not review landscape areas outside of the public right-of-way unless the applicant is applying for the area to be annexed into Landscaping & Lighting Maintenance District No. 89-1-Consolidated (L&LMD No. 89-1-C). To be eligible for annexation consideration, the area outside of the public right-of-way should be contiguous to the public right-of-way and the perimeter walls or fencing of a development parcel. This condition usually occurs when there is a flat area or an upslope from the right-of way to the perimeter wall.