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THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS BEGINS AT RIO HONDO COLLEGE

Whittier- The construction process is beginning at Rio Hondo College. The College's Program Management Team has sent out a *Request for Proposal* to six pre-qualified Construction Management Firms to find the Construction Manager for the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and Library project.

The Construction Manager plays a vital role in building projects. They enforce the provisions of the construction contract, issue status reports, and coordinate the activities of the Architect, Inspector, Owner's Representative, and the Contractor. All six of the firms attended a *Job Walk* on March 20th and are expected to submit proposals.

"The Program Management Team has done a good job in pre-qualifying the firms in our pool," said Gary Mendez, President of the Rio Hondo College. "I am confident that we will have an excellent Construction Manager for this project. I am delighted that the construction process is underway and look forward to the ground breaking ceremony for the LRC."

A firm will be recommended by the Rio Hondo College Program Management Team to the Board of Trustees at the April 19th meeting. Construction on the LRC is set to begin by Fall 2006.

"This is an exciting time," said Dr. Rose Marie Joyce, President of Rio Hondo College. "We are beginning to see all of the planning we have done come to fruition."

Located in Whittier, California, Rio Hondo College is a collaborative center of lifelong learning which provides innovative, challenging, and quality educational offering - including programs and courses leading to transfer and vocational degrees and certificates - for its diverse students and community. For information on the College or its programs, please call 562-692-0921 or visit www.riohondo.edu .

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