

**State Center Community College District
REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY COMMENT
Oakhurst Community College Center Project**

To:

Responsible, Trustee and Interested Agencies
Interested Persons

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Purpose: State Center Community College District (SCCCD) is proposing to undertake the Oakhurst Community College Center Project (project). The purpose of this Request for Preliminary Comment is to invite responsible, trustee and interested agencies, as well as interested persons, to submit written comments on the potential environmental effects of the project. SCCCD will consider the comments in preparing a California Environmental Quality Act Initial Study for the project and in determining whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Report for the project or to adopt a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration. You will have the opportunity to comment again after you have reviewed the completed environmental documents.

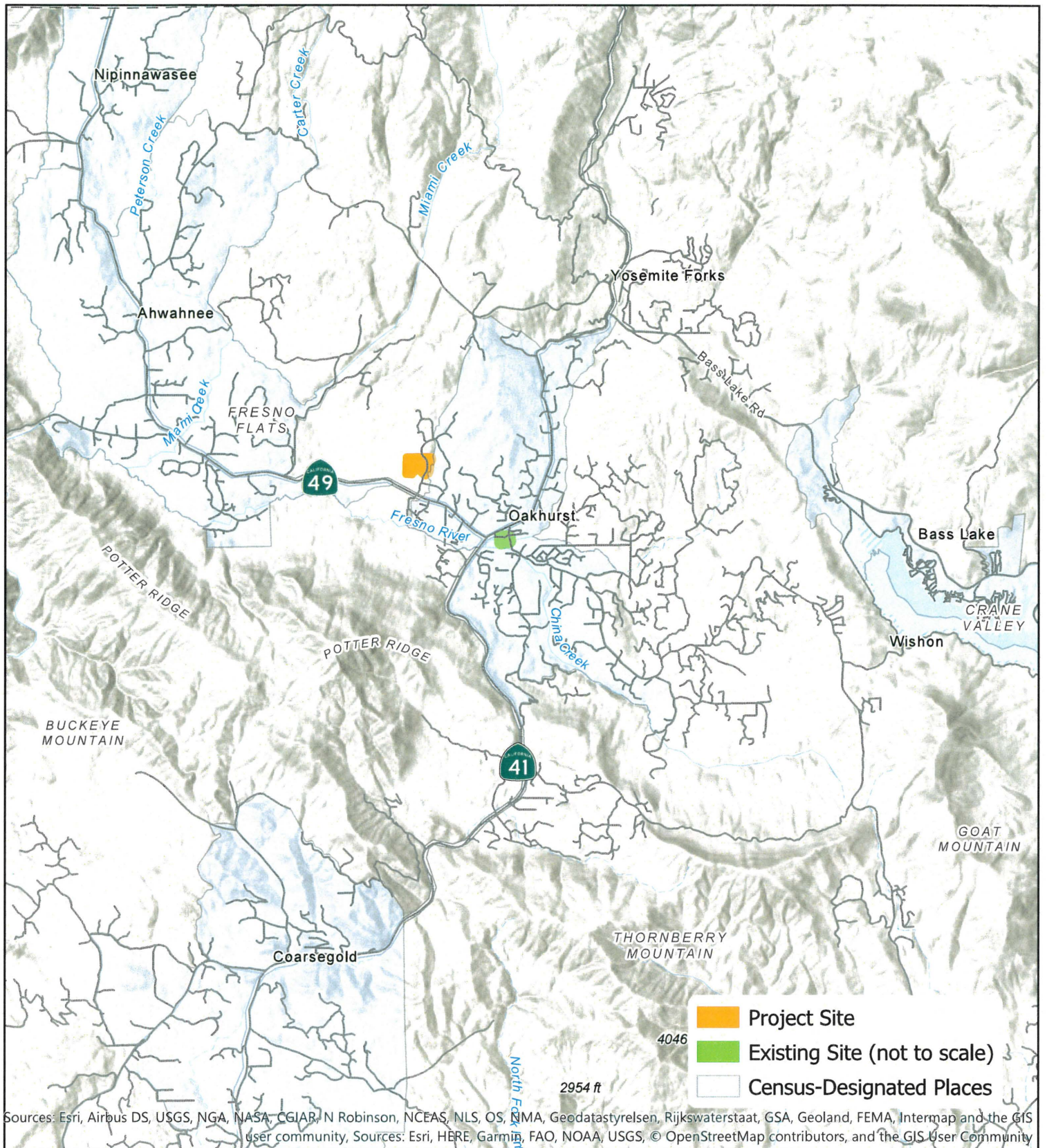
Comments: Please send any comments in response to this Request for Preliminary Comment to George Cummings (contact information provided above). **Please submit comments by October 4, 2019.**

Project Location and Description:

The Oakhurst Community College Center Project (project) involves the construction and operation of a community college center campus on an approximately 30-acre site, located on Westlake Drive, north of Liberty Drive, in the unincorporated community of Oakhurst, in Madera County (see Figures 1 and 2). This new campus will replace the existing 2.5-acre site, which houses eight portable buildings, located at Highway 41 and Road 426 in Oakhurst.

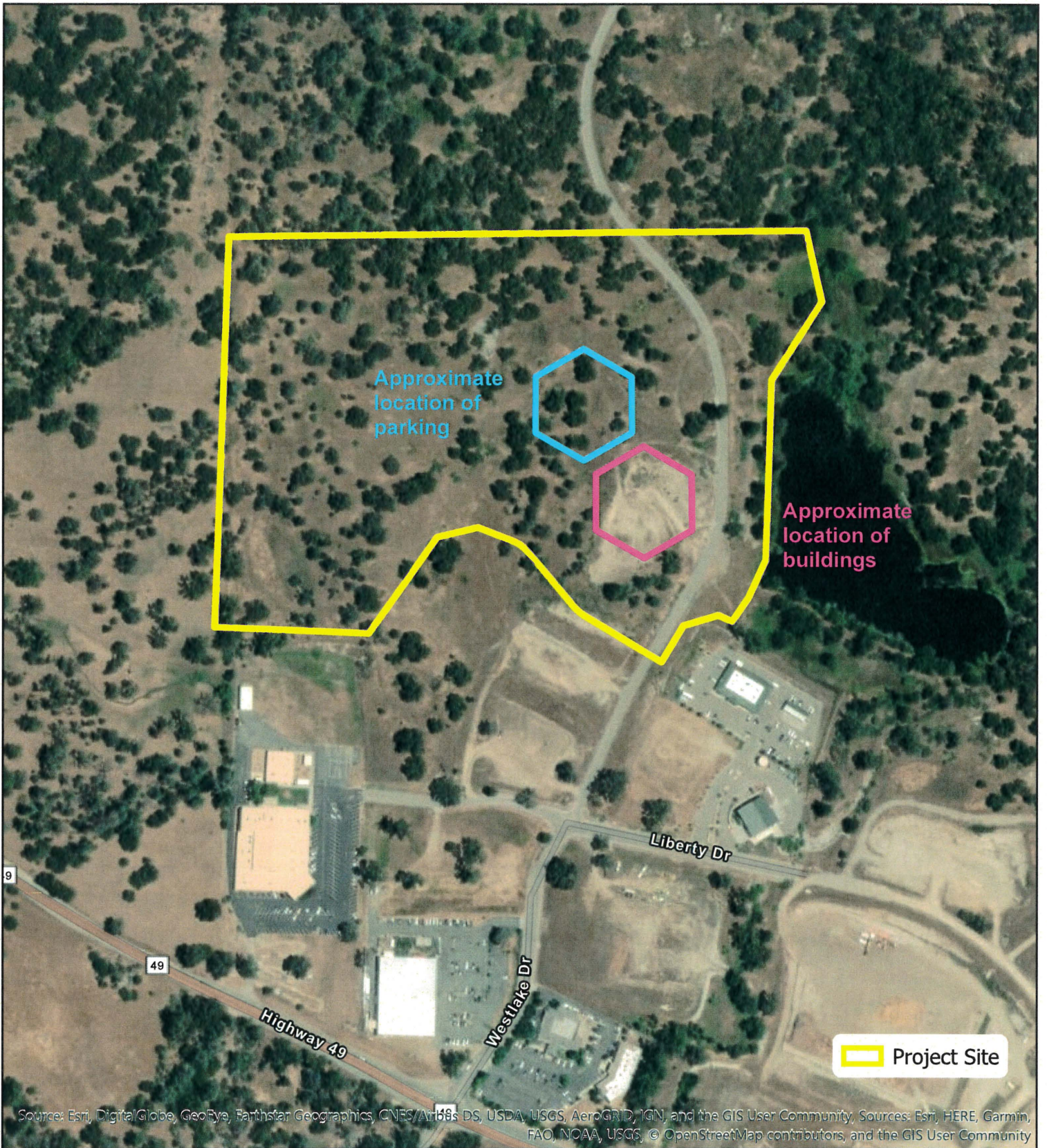
The project includes two buildings totaling approximately 28,500 square feet (see Figure 3). The southern building will house administration, student support services, classrooms, and labs. The northern building will house a museum, café, and multi-purpose room. The museum will preserve and showcase the school's taxidermy collection and will be used for instructional purposes, and as well as being available by appointment for public entities such as K-12 field trips or approved group visits. The project also includes a 200-stall parking lot, pathways, and landscaping. The campus, as initially constructed, will serve the existing approximately 1,030 students and 24 faculty and staff. The campus will expand as needed to accommodate future growth, serving an estimated 1,582 students and 30 faculty and staff by 2040.

Construction of the project is anticipated to begin in 2020 and be completed by spring 2022.



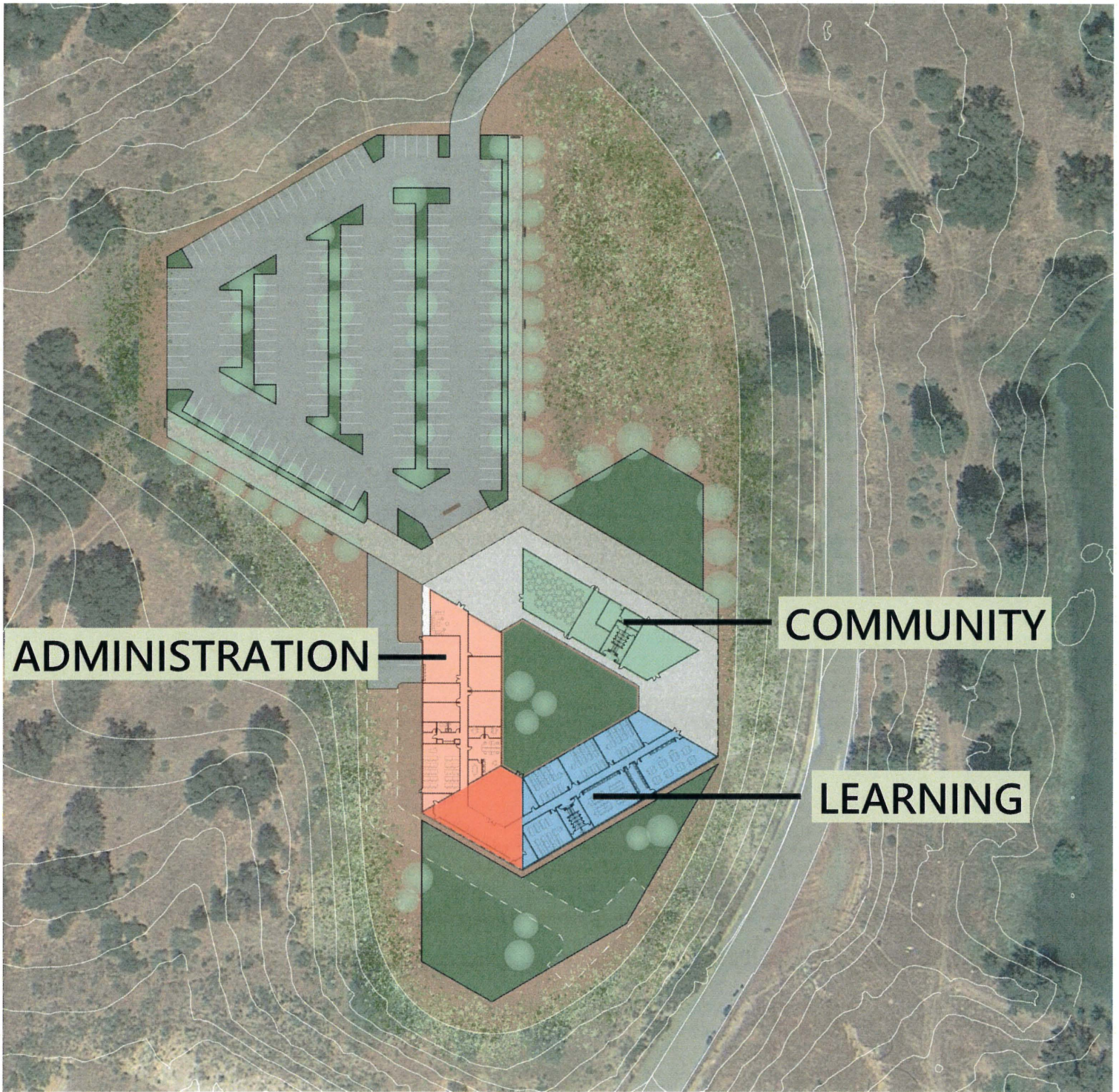
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Figure 1



Project Site
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Figure 2



Site Plan

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Figure 3