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Popular TV Show 'The Right Stuff' Lands in San Diego

DISNEY+ SERIES TO BEGIN FILMING LOCALLY IN MARCH 2021, CITY'S FILM OFFICE SUPPORTING PRODUCTION CREWS

SAN DIEGO – "The Right Stuff" is officially touching down in San Diego.

The popular Disney+ series, which explores the origin and growth of the U.S. space program in the 1960s, has announced it is moving filming of its second season to San Diego. The show is based on the 1983 Academy Award winning film, "The Right Stuff," which starred Sam Shepard, Scott Glenn, Ed Harris and Dennis Quaid.

The hit series is scheduled to shoot for 88 days, starting in March 2021. Locations for shooting have yet to be determined.

"We are thrilled to welcome 'The Right Stuff' to the San Diego region. The California Film & TV Tax Credit Program has been a critical incentive in attracting productions to San Diego," said Brandy Shimabukuro, film liaison for the City of San Diego's Film Office. "Productions like these help bolster our local economy and civic pride, while also creating and sustaining jobs in the film industry."

The <u>San Diego Film Office</u> – a division of the City of San Diego's Special Events & Filming Department – offers a streamlined permitting system and dedicated staff to assist productions every step of the way. This, coupled with the incentives through the California Film and TV Tax Credit Program 3.0, administered by the California Film Commission, is an attractive draw for productions like "The Right Stuff."

"It's great to see the state's tax credit program bring high-quality jobs and significant production spending to San Diego," said California Film Commission Executive Director Colleen Bell. "The City has a rich history of film and TV production and this exciting news is a big win for the local economy."

Because the region offers diverse locations and nearly impeccable weather year-round, San Diego is attractive to film and television productions. The San Diego Film Office was established by Mayor Kevin Faulconer and San Diego City Council in 2015 to support and grow the local film industry and to promote the San Diego region as a competitive, film-friendly destination.

These efforts have bolstered an increase in film and television production, including facilitating production for the eagerly-anticipated "Top Gun: Maverick," FOX's "Pitch," Netflix's "Ingobernable," and TNT's "The Last Ship." San Diego has also been ranked in MovieMaker Magazine's Big Cities: The Best Places to Live and Work as a Moviemaker.