

Netflix buying Albuquerque Studios



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Ty Warren, Netflix vice president for physical production, talks about the streaming giant's choice of Albuquerque for its production hub.

Streaming giant to establish production hub in Mesa del Sol

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Netflix is making Albuquerque its home away from home.

The entertainment giant is in negotiations to purchase Albuquerque Studios and will make it the streaming giant's principal production hub in the United States.

Albuquerque Studios has been for sale for a few years. Officials did not release details about the sale price of the studio.

The state is contributing \$10 million of Local Econom-

ic Development Act funds. Albuquerque is contributing \$4.5 million of LEDA funds. Because the city is acting as fiscal agent for the LEDA funds, the project will be sent to the City Council for approval.

Albuquerque Studios includes nine sound stages, production offices and a backlot.

If the deal is approved, the Albuquerque site will be Netflix's first hub purchased in the United States. Earlier this year, Netflix announced it was establishing its first European production hub in Spain.

The purchase is expected to cause a ripple effect that would benefit the other major studios in New Mexico

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Michelle Dockery starred in



Robert Taylor filmed the Netflix series "Longmire" in New Mexico.



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Netflix said so much content was already being made in Albuquerque that it made sense to have a hub in the city. Some of the projects:

Godless	2017
Longmire	2015-17
Chambers	2019
Messiah	2019
The Ridiculous 6	2015
Daybreak	preproduction
The Ballad of Buster Scruggs	2018
Walk. Ride. Rodeo.	2019