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**Concept of Operations**

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**The Current System**

<Include a brief description of the current system. This is most applicable if your system builds on another or performs a task similar to other systems.>

<If there are no other systems that are similar to the one you are creating, indicate that and briefly describe what your system will do. First ensure that you have performed an exhaustive search for similar software.>

<1 or 2 paragraphs.>

**The Proposed System: Needs**

<Describe why a new or modified system is necessary. What will your system provide that the current system does not? Consider situations where yours is easier to use, cheaper, more accessible, or provides more or less features. If your system is a new system, why will people need it?>

<1 paragraph to 1 page.>

**The Proposed System: Users and Modes of Operation**

<Briefly describe each class of user and each mode of operation for the proposed system.>

<Will you have more than one class of users? For mobile productions, consider free version users and pay version users. How will they differ? Consider low level users who may only use a few features of your product and high level users who may want to take full advantage of your product.>

<What are the modes of operation? These are the states that your system can be in.>

<1 – 3 sentences per user and mode>

**The Proposed System: Operational Scenarios**

<Describe the major operational scenarios for the proposed system. What will people use your system to do? Consider each feature that is relevant to your system.>

<Include typical scenarios and a few atypical scenarios (errors, high risk situations, etc.) How will your system handle faults? These may be incorrect inputs, loss of internet connection, system crash, etc.>

<1 paragraph per scenario>

**The Proposed System: Operational Features**

Must Have: <list these features in priority order>

Would Like to Have: <list of these features in priority order>

**The Proposed System: Implementation**

<Briefly describe how your system will be developed. What environment will you use? What language(s) will you be developing in? What platform will your software be released on?>

<How will this affect other aspects of your development? Is there a learning period for your programmers? Are there limitations in your platform? Is your system mobile or stationary? Does it require an internet connection? Are there locations where your system cannot or should not be used?>

<List the disadvantages and limitations associated with your platform/development environment/language/etc. What are your other alternatives? What are the tradeoffs? Why are your selections the best possible for your system?>

<3-5 paragraphs>