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State of California
Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

**NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Project Title: UC Davis Giedt Hall
Project Location: University of California, Davis; east of Bioletti Way
County: Yolo County

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 2100 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 Code of Regulations Section 1500 et seq.), and the University of California Procedures for the Implementation of CEQA, a Draft Tiered Initial Study for the above-named project was prepared (please see enclosure). The document identifies and evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. The campus proposes to prepare a Negative Declaration for the project.

Project Description

UC Davis proposes a new classroom building to provide additional lecture hall space. The proposed Giedt Hall project would be located within the core campus and would establish a single-story, approximately 15,500 gross square foot (gsf) (10,800 assignable square-foot [asf]) classroom building. The project site is located directly west of the Architects and Engineers Barn, north of the Engineering Bikeway and Kemper Hall of Engineering (formerly Engineering Unit 2), east of Bioletti Way, and south of Parking Lot 42 and the Surge Buildings. The building would provide three tiered lecture rooms and two smaller classrooms with a total capacity of about 650 seats, which would better serve the increasing demand for classroom space on campus. The two-acre project site currently includes 18 single-story temporary buildings that were constructed in the late 1960s and early 1970s and will be removed to accommodate the proposed project. These buildings are currently occupied primarily by the School of Medicine and will be vacated and removed as a result of the completion of the campus' new Genome and Biomedical Sciences Facility.

The proposed project is a component of growth consistent with the 2003 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) and would support the 2003 LRDP objectives by increasing the available space

for lectures and would provide the increased space in a convenient location within the Core Campus.

Environmental Review and Comment

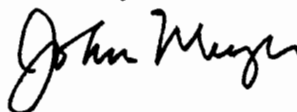
Based on the analysis presented in the Draft Tiered Initial Study, the campus proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration for the proposed project. Copies of the Draft Tiered Initial Study and proposed Negative Declaration are available during normal operating hours at the UC Davis Office of Resource Management and Planning in 376 Mrak Hall on the UC Davis campus; at Reserves in Shields Library on the UC Davis campus; at the Yolo County Public Library, 315 E. 14th Street, Davis; at the Vacaville Public Library, 1020 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville; and online at <http://www.ormp.ucdavis.edu/environreview/>.

We appreciate your prompt acknowledgement and review of this Draft Tiered Initial Study and proposed Negative Declaration. Due to the time limits mandated by state law, the document's 30-day review period will extend from September 3, 2004 through October 4, 2004. Comments must be received before 5:00 p.m. on October 4, 2004. They may be e-mailed to environreview@ucdavis.edu or sent to:

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If you have any questions about the project, please contact Sid England, Director of Environmental Planning, at (530) 752-2432 or Rick Keller, Assistant Vice Chancellor – Capital Resource Management, at (530) 752-2433.

Sincerely,



John A. Meyer
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Enclosures: 15 copies of the Draft Tiered Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration
1 Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal Form

c: Notice of Intent, Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal Form, and Draft Tiered Initial Study sent to addresses on attached list

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Form A

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

SCH # _____

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, PO Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 916/445-0613

Project Title: Giedt Hall

Lead Agency: University of California Contact Person: Sid England
Street Address: Office of Resource Management and Planning, UC Davis Phone: (530) 752-2432
City: Davis Zip: 95616 County: Yolo

Project Location:

County: Yolo City/Nearest Community: Davis
Cross Streets: Hutchison Drive and Bioletti Way Zip Code: 95616 Total Acres: 0.06 acres
Assessor's Parcel No. NA Section: 16 Twp. 8N Range: 2E Base: Mt. Diablo
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR 113 and I-80 Waterways: Putah Creek
Airports: University Airport Railways: Union Pacific Schools: Davis Joint Unified

Document Type:

CEQA: [] NOP [] Supplement/Subsequent EIR NEPA: [] NOI Other: [] Joint Document
[] Early Cons (Prior SCH No.) [] EA [] Final Document
[x] Neg Dec [] Other [] Draft EIS [] Other
[] Draft EIR [] FONSI

Local Action Type:

[] General Plan Update [] Specific Plan [] Rezone [] Annexation
[] General Plan Amendment [] Master Plan [] Prezone [] Redevelopment
[] General Plan Element [] Planned Unit Development [] Use Permit [] Coastal Permit
[] Community Plan [] Site Plan [] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [x] Other Project Approval

Development Type:

[] Residential: Units Acres
[] Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
[x] Educational 15,500 sq. ft. classroom building.
[] Recreational
[] Water Facilities: Type MGD
[] Transportation: Type
[] Mining: Mineral
[] Power: Type Watts
[] Waste Treatment: Type
[] Hazardous Waste: Type
[] Other:

Funding (approx.): Federal \$ -- State \$ -- Total \$ --

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

[x] Aesthetic/Visual [x] Flood Plain/Flooding [x] Schools/Universities [x] Water Quality
[x] Agricultural Land [x] Forest Land/Fire Hazard [x] Septic Systems [x] Water Supply/Groundwater
[x] Air Quality [x] Geologic/Seismic [x] Sewer Capacity [x] Wetland/Riparian
[x] Archeological/Historical [x] Minerals [x] Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading [x] Wildlife
[] Coastal Zone [x] Noise [x] Solid Waste [x] Growth Inducing
[x] Drainage/Absorption [x] Population/Housing Balance [x] Toxic/Hazardous [x] Landuse
[] Economic/Jobs [x] Public Services/Facilities [x] Traffic/Circulation [x] Cumulative Effects
[] Fiscal [x] Recreation/Parks [x] Vegetation [] Other

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

High Density Academic and Administrative

Project Description:

Construct new 15,500 gross square foot lecture hall building to provide additional classroom space within the Core Campus at UC Davis.

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Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Form A, continued

<p>KEY</p> <p>S = Document sent by lead agency</p> <p>X = Document sent by SCH</p> <p>✓ = Suggested distribution</p>

Resources Agency

- Boating & Waterways
- Coastal Commission
- Coastal Conservancy
- Colorado River Board
- SX Conservation
- SX Fish & Game
- Forestry & Fire Protection
- SX Office of Historic Preservation
- Parks & Recreation
- Reclamation Board
- S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission
- SX Water Resources (DWR)

Business, Transportation & Housing

- Aeronautics
- California Highway Patrol
- SX CALTRANS District # 3
- Department of Transportation Planning (headquarters)
- SX Housing & Community Development

Food & Agriculture

Health & Welfare

- Health Services _____

State & Consumer Services

- General Services
- OLA (Schools)

Environmental Protection Agency

- SX Air Resources Board
- SX California Waste Management Board
- SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
- SWRCB: Delta Unit
- SWRCB: Water Quality
- SWRCB: Water Rights
- SX Regional WQCB # 5 (_____)

Youth & Adult Corrections

- Corrections

Independent Commissions & Offices

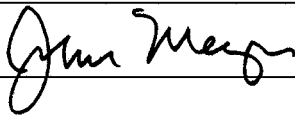
- Energy Commission
- SX Native American Heritage Commission
- Public Utilities Commission
- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- State Lands Commission
- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

- SX Other _____ Yolo-Solano AQMD _____

Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 3, 2004

Ending Date October 4, 2004

Signature 

Date 9/3/04

<p>Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):</p> <p>Consulting Firm: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City/State/Zip: _____</p> <p>Contact: _____</p> <p>Phone: (____) _____</p>

<p>For SCH Use Only:</p> <p>Date Received at SCH _____</p> <p>Date Review Starts _____</p> <p>Date to Agencies _____</p> <p>Date to SCH _____</p> <p>Clearance Date _____</p> <p>Notes:</p>

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