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**NOTICE OF PREPARATION
TIERED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

Project Title: Mathematical Sciences Building
Project Location: University of California, Davis; northwest of intersection of California Avenue and La Rue Road
County: Yolo

Project Description

The University of California, Davis (UC Davis) proposes to construct and operate a four-story, approximately 65,000 gross square foot (37,460 assignable square foot) Mathematical Sciences Building. The new building would be located in the core campus, south of the Crocker Nuclear Laboratory, west of California Avenue, north of the Academic Surge building, and east of Engineering Unit 3. The Hog Barn building (a structure that meets the criteria for listing on the California Register of Historic Places) is currently located on the proposed project site. To accommodate the proposed project, the campus is considering three potential plans for the Hog Barn building, including: demolition, relocation to a site in the central campus located southwest of the Silo complex, or relocation to a site in the west campus.

The proposed Mathematical Sciences Building would provide space for the Departments of Mathematics and Statistics, a new campus initiative in Computational Sciences and Engineering, and the California State Summer School for Mathematics and Science. The building would include faculty and staff offices, office support space (including storage areas), conference and seminar space, and computer laboratories. The project would accommodate growth projected for the Departments of Mathematics and Statistics and would allow for the development of the Computational Sciences and Engineering initiative. The proposed building would also release space in Kerr Hall, providing expansion space for other programs in the College of Letters and Science.

Environmental Review and Comment

The University of California will be the Lead Agency and will prepare a Focused Tiered Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Mathematical Sciences Building. This EIR will specifically evaluate environmental impacts in the areas of historic resources and aesthetics.

Pursuant to Sections 15152 and 15168 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the analyses and conclusions in the EIR will be tiered under the programmatic EIR prepared for the 1994 Long Range Development Plan (1994 LRDP) (State Clearinghouse No. 94022005), as updated and revised by the 1997 Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Replacement Project EIR (State Clearinghouse Nos. 95123027 and 96072024), the 1997-98 Major Capital Improvement Projects Supplemental EIR (SEIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 97122016), the Center for the Arts Performance Hall and South Entry Roadway and Parking Improvements Tiered Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (State Clearinghouse No. 98092016), the USDA Western Human Nutrition Research Complex Tiered Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (State Clearinghouse No. 99092060), the Segundo Housing Improvements Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2001092063), and the Conference Center, Hotel, and Graduate School of Management Building Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2001082067).

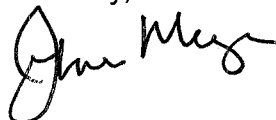
Copies of the above listed documents and the Draft Tiered Initial Study are available for review during normal operating hours at the UC Davis Office of Resource Management and Planning, 376 Mrak Hall on the UC Davis campus; at Reserves in Shields Library on the UC Davis campus; at the Yolo County Public 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 Mitigated Negative Declaration. Due to the time limits mandated by state law, the document's 30-day review period will extend from July 15, 2002 to August 14, 2002. Comments must be received before 5:00 p.m. on August 14, 2002. They may be e-mailed to environreview@ucdavis.edu or mailed to:

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If you have any questions about the project, please contact Sid England, UC Davis Environmental Planner, at (530) 752-2432.

Sincerely,



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

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Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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Project Title: Mathematical Sciences Building

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: South California Ave. & South La Rue Road Zip Code: 95616 Total Acres: 2
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: [X] NOP [] Supplement/Subsequent EIR NEPA: [] NOI Other: [] Joint Document
[] Early Cons [] (Prior SCH No.) [] EA [] Final Document
[] 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 _____ [] Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD
[] Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [] Transportation: Type _____
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [] Mining: Mineral _____
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [] Power: Type _____ Watts _____
[X] Educational building for mathematical research/teaching [] Waste Treatment: Type _____
[] Recreational _____ [] 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:

Academic and Administrative High Density

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Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Form A, continued

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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 July 15, 2002

Ending Date August 14, 2002

Signature 

Date _____

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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