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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Project Title: Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facility
State Clearinghouse No.: 2000022057
Project Location: University of California, Davis
County: Yolo

The project includes the construction and operation of the Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facility in the campus' Health Sciences District. The project site is located southwest of the Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital, east of Garrod Drive and the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory Facility, and south of Parking Lot 51. The new facility would include approximately 8,811 gross square feet (6,168 assignable square feet) and would replace program space lost with the demolition of Haring Hall Annex and the Haring Vet Med Barn. The facility would include two high-speed, in-ground large animal treadmills, one small animal treadmill, associated laboratory facilities, and requisite animal housing. The project would support School of Veterinary Medicine research, teaching, clinical instruction, and service in the fields of cardiovascular and respiratory physiology of horses and other vertebrates.

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resource Code Section 21108) and the University of California Procedures for the Implementation of CEQA, the University of California hereby declares that it has approved the above-named project.

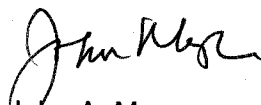
The project was addressed in the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory and Equine Athletic Laboratory Facilities Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2000022057), which was prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. The Draft EIR completed State Clearinghouse review on June 2, 2000. Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, the Board of Regents of the University of California (The Regents) certified the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory and Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facilities EIR, approved the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory Facility, and adopted mitigation measures as a condition of project approval on July 20, 2000. Since no legal challenges were brought regarding the adequacy of the Final EIR within the 30-day statutory period, the Final EIR is now conclusively presumed to comply with CEQA. Following certification of the Final EIR, there have been no substantial changes to the project, no substantial changes in circumstances under which the project will be undertaken, and no new information making a supplemental or subsequent EIR necessary or appropriate under Section 21166 of CEQA. This approval is therefore undertaken in accordance with the previously certified Final EIR, as provided by CEQA.

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On October 24, 2002, pursuant to authority delegated from The Regents, the campus adopted findings related specifically to the Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facility project and approved the design of the project based on the previous certification of the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory and Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facilities EIR. It has been determined that the project will have a significant effect on the environment. All significant unavoidable impacts of the project were identified in UC Davis' 1994 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) EIR, and The Regents previously adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations for these impacts upon certification of the 1994 LRDP EIR. In addition, the campus adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations specifically for the project on October 24, 2002.

A copy of the Veterinary Medicine Laboratory and Equine Athletic Performance Laboratory Facilities EIR and the record of project approval is available at the Office of Resource Management and Planning in 376 Mrak Hall on the UC Davis campus.

Sincerely,



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