NOTICE OF INTENT TO CERTIFY a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION for the CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO FERMENTATION SCIENCES CENTER PROJECT

California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo (Cal Poly) has completed the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed Fermentation Sciences Center (project). The IS/MND found the following environmental factors to be less than significant with mitigation incorporated: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Hazardous Materials, and Surface Water Quality.

LEAD AGENCY: California State University Board of Trustees

PROJECT SPONSOR: Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed Cal Poly Fermentation Sciences Center (FSC) would be located on the existing Cal Poly campus in the County of San Luis Obispo, California, at the northwest corner of Highland Drive and Mt. Bishop Road (part of the extended campus).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project would provide a central location for conducting education and research in fermentation sciences, and related consumer products including wine, beer, and distilled liquor. The proposed project includes construction of three (3) new structures totaling approximately 42,000 square feet. Vehicular access to the site would be provided via Parking Lot H-1, which connects directly to Mt. Bishop Road. Secondary vehicular access would be provided via the driveway and parking system for the adjacent Crop Science building, which connects to Highland Drive. Parking Lot H-1, which is located immediately north of the proposed project site, would be utilized for any project parking needs. The proposed structures would be a single story in height, with a more steeply sloped central roof ridge and more gently sloped side wings. In terms of overall building height, Grange Hall would be 29 feet to the central roof ridge; for the winery and brewery buildings, the main ridge would reach 31.5 feet, with the central cupola element extending up to 36.5 feet. Construction of the proposed project is anticipated to commence in the Winter / Spring of 2018 and would take approximately 24 months to complete.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The 30-day public review period for the IS/MND begins on March 22, 2017, and ends on April 22, 2017. Written comments should be sent to Julie Hawkins, Campus Planner, Facilities Planning and Capital Projects California Polytechnic State University, 1 Grand Avenue, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407 or to jkhawkin@calpoly.edu, no later than 5:00 p.m., April 22, 2017.

AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION: Copies of the IS/MND and all appended documents are available for review at the Facilities Planning and Capital Projects Building 70, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407 and on the University’s website at the following link: https://afd.calpoly.edu/facilities/facp_index.asp.