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CEQA – NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Project Title

Addendum to the Cal Poly Campus Master Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) – Student Housing Program

State Clearinghouse Number

2016101003

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Project Location

The main campus of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (Cal Poly), of which the project site is a part, occupies approximately 1,321 acres in unincorporated San Luis Obispo County, California, adjacent to the City of San Luis Obispo. The project site comprises two areas within the campus totaling approximately 26 acres: the 23-acre site where development of new student housing is proposed and a temporary 3-acre construction staging area west of the new student housing. The residential component of the project is located in the East Campus portion of the Academic Core, east of Perimeter Road. The temporary staging area is located within the West Campus, south of Highland Drive and west of California Boulevard.

Project Description

The previously anticipated project under the Cal Poly Master Plan and evaluated in the Campus Master Plan EIR included the development of nine new on-campus residence halls of up to five stories in height. Following refinements in design and planning, the project now proposes the same number of buildings and building heights of up to nine stories. Internal circulation (roadways, bicycle paths, and walkways) would be provided as part of site design. The project also involves the demolition of five smaller student housing buildings that provide less than 70 student beds each in order to accommodate the more efficient, denser housing development. The project would provide up to 4,500 new student beds, for a net increase of 4,155 new student beds on the main campus.


In addition, as part of the same project and similar to the original project analyzed in the Campus Master Plan EIR, the existing Red Bricks student housing facilities (Trinity Hall, Muir Hall, Fremont Hall, Tenaya Hall, Sequoia Hall, and Santa Lucia Hall) would be renovated to provide more modern, efficient student housing accommodations. This requires the potential removal of the Hillcrest building, which is located within the project site adjacent to Trinity Hall and Santa Lucia Hall. The existing University Housing building that is also located within the project site would not be modified as part of the project.

This is to advise that the Trustees of the California State University as the Lead Agency approved the above-described project on July 12, 2024 and have made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. An Addendum to the certified Campus Master Plan EIR was prepared.
2. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the project.

4. A separate mitigation reporting/monitoring plan (MMRP) was not adopted for this project. Applicable adopted mitigation measures from the MMRP adopted in conjunction with the certified Campus Master Plan EIR were appended to the Addendum and will be implemented.
5. A Statement of Overriding Consideration was not adopted in conjunction with this Addendum, but were made and adopted in conjunction with the certified Campus Master Plan, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
6. Findings were not made for the Addendum, but were made and adopted in conjunction with the certified Campus Master Plan, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Addendum to the Campus Master Plan EIR is available to the General Public and can be viewed online at <https://afd.calpoly.edu/facilities/planning-capital-projects/ceqa/>.



Signature Anne Collins-Doehne

July 12, 2024

Date

Director, Land Use Planning and Environmental Review - Capital Planning, Design and Construction
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