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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE
UC BERKELEY 2021 LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND
HOUSING PROJECTS #1 AND #2**

Project Title: UC Berkeley 2021 Long Range Development Plan and Housing Projects #1 and #2 (2021 LRDP)

Project Location: University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720

Lead Agency: The Regents of the University of California

Brief Project Description: The 2021 LRDP provides a comprehensive high-level planning framework to guide land use and capital investment consistent with UC Berkeley's mission, priorities, strategic goals, and enrollment projections through the 2036-37 academic year. The 2021 LRDP projects a campus population of 48,200 students and 19,000 faculty and staff, and a development program of approximately 8,096,249 gross square feet of academic life, campus life, residential, and parking spaces, including approximately 11,073 student beds and 549 employee beds. The EIR provides a program-level analysis of the overall proposed development and enrollment projections in the 2021 LRDP. The EIR also functions as a project EIR for two student housing projects, Housing Project #1, which includes the construction and operation of approximately 772 beds in addition to campus life amenities and public commercial and office space, and Housing Project #2, which includes approximately 1,187 student/faculty/staff beds and approximately 125 affordable and supportive housing beds, and public retail and open space.

Environmental Review: UC Berkeley prepared and issued to the public for review a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) on March 8, 2021. The Draft EIR was made available for a 45-day public review and comment period that ended on April 21, 2021. The complete EIR consists of two documents: the Draft EIR that was issued in March 2021 and the Final EIR, comprising comments received during the public review period for the Draft EIR and responses to those comments, as well as revisions and clarifications to the Draft EIR. The Final EIR is available for viewing online at: <https://lrpd.berkeley.edu/environmental-review>. For further information about the project, please contact UC Berkeley's Office of Physical and Environmental Planning by email at planning@berkeley.edu.

Environmental Effects: The EIR identifies potentially significant and unavoidable environmental impacts in the following categories by project component: 2021 LRDP – air quality, cultural resources, noise, transportation, and wildfire; and Housing Projects #1 and #2 – cultural resources, noise, and transportation.

Public Hearing: On July 21-22, 2021, the UC Regents will hold a public hearing to consider certification of the EIR and approval of the 2021 LRDP and Housing Project #1. Actions will consist of: 1) certification of the EIR and adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, Continuing Best Practices, and CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for the 2021 LRDP; 2) approval of the 2021 LRDP; 3) adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, Continuing Best Practices, and CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for Housing Project #1; and 4) approval of the design of Housing Project #1. Information on the UC Regents meeting can be found at: <https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/>.