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Public Notice

Identification of Locations and Approval of Solar Photovoltaic Installations

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UC Berkeley has identified four campus-owned locations for <u>solar photovoltaic (PV) installations</u>. These locations were selected for their capacity and suitability for solar, energy decarbonization, operational benefits, and financial feasibility. The solar PV projects were approved on December 8, 2021.

The project locations are:

1. 2000 Carleton Street, Berkeley:

Roof mounted solar installation on the main Carleton building and the southeast auxiliary building. Project will include rooftop solar arrays, battery storage and microgrid, and conduit for future EV charging capacities. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the University of California guidance for the implementation of CEQA, the campus finds that the project would be categorically exempt pursuant to 14 CCR §15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities, §15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structure; and §15311 Class 11 Accessory Structures, and that no exceptions to the exemptions apply.

2. Parking lots at the Lawrence Hall of Science, Berkeley:

Solar carport and ground mounted installations at the hill terrace, east lot and vista parking lots. Project will include battery storage and conduit for future EV charging capacities In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the University of California guidance for the implementation of CEQA, the campus finds that the project would be categorically exempt pursuant to 14 CCR §15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities, §15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structure; and §15311 Class 11 Accessory Structures, and that no exceptions to the exemptions apply.

3. 2400 Regatta, Richmond:

Solar carport installation at the Regatta Building parking lot. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the University of California guidance for the implementation of CEQA, the campus finds that the project would be categorically exempt pursuant to 14 CCR §15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities, §15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structure; and §15311 Class 11 Accessory Structures, and that no exceptions to the exemptions apply.

4. Richmond Field Station, Richmond:

Solar photovoltaic array ground mount installations in two site locations. The first site is west of the North Regional Library Facility (NRLF), and the second site is on a former Hydrogen fueling station. Project will include conduit for future EV charging capacities. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and

the University of California guidance for the implementation of CEQA, the University has adopted the CEQA Findings for the solar project having considered the previously certified 2014 Long Range Development Plan EIR for the Richmond Bay Campus (also called Richmond Field Station).

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the approval action of the project.

Download: Notice of Exemption (Solar Project at Carleton Building)

Download: Notice of Exemption (Solar Project at Regatta Building parking lot)

Download: Notice of Exemption (Solar Project at parking lots adjacent to Lawrence Hall of Science)

Download: Notice of Determination (Solar Project at Richmond Field Station)

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