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Public Notice

Academic Replacement Building

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UC Berkeley has published <u>Addendum Number 3</u> to the <u>UC Berkeley 2021 Long Range Development Plan and Housing Projects #1 and #2 Environmental Impact Report (2021 LRDP EIR).</u>

Project Location: The 1.62-acre project site is in the southwest quadrant of the UC Berkeley Campus Park, south of the Valley Life Sciences Building, west of Dwinelle Hall, and north of Dwinelle Hall Annex. The south fork of Strawberry Creek is located roughly 100 feet to the south. The project site is currently a surface parking lot identified as Dwinelle Lot and has 96 automobile parking spaces. The project site is generally bounded and accessed by Frank Schlessinger Way to the south and Campanile Way to the north, with pedestrian walkways to Spieker Plaza to the west and Grade Street to the east.

Project Description: The Academic Replacement Building (project) would construct a new, approximately 78,000-gross-square-foot, academic building that would serve to partially replace classrooms and academic programs currently housed in Evans Hall. The project would be an L-shaped building that would include five above-grade floors (three floors of classrooms and two floors of offices) in the south-facing wing, and two above-grade floors and one partial basement (below-ground) level and an auditorium in the west-facing wing. The building would provide a mix of flexible office space, classrooms, and other meeting spaces. The building façades would be constructed with a combination of curtain wall, lightweight rainscreen panels, and open colonnades with exposed timber framing. The project would also include extending electrical power to the building across Strawberry Creek.

Document Availability: The <u>Addendum</u> and <u>2021 LRDP EIR</u> are available on the <u>UC Berkeley Capital Strategies website</u>. If assistance accessing these documents is needed, please contact the Physical and Environmental Planning department at (510) 495-5786 or by email at <u>planning@berkeley.edu</u>.

UC Board of Regents Meeting: On September 20-22, 2022, the UC Board of Regents will meet to, among other items, consider approval of the Academic Replacement Building project following review of Addendum Number 3 to the 2021 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and project design actions will consist of: 1) adoption of CEQA Findings for the Academic Replacement Building project; 2) implementation of applicable mitigation measures and continuing best practices as identified in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program adopted for the 2021 LRDP EIR; and 3) approval of the design of the Academic Replacement Building project. The UC Board of Regents meeting agenda and schedule can be found online at: https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/meetings/

Members of the public can provide public comment on this project in two ways: 1) request to speak during public comments at the September 20-22 2022, meeting of the UC Board of Regents by contacting the Office of

the Secretary and Chief of Staff at publiccomment@ucop.edu prior to 5:00 p.m. the day before the public comment period, and/or 2) provide written comments to the Office of the Secretary and Chief of Staff at regentsoffice@ucop.edu no less than forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the scheduled start time of the first session of the September 2022 UC Board of Regents meeting. Guidelines for public comment can be found on the UC Board of Regents website at: https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/meetings/public-comment.html

Download: Addendum (PDF) and 2021 LRDP EIR

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