

Public Notice

Berkeley Innovation Zone - North Building

June 30, 2025

UC Berkeley has published Addendum Number 1 to the Berkeley Innovation Zone Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse Number 2023100861).

Project Location and Site: The North Building Project would be located on the northern half of the 1.86-acre Berkeley Innovation Zone site in downtown Berkeley. The project site is bounded by University Avenue to the north, Oxford Street to the east, Addison Street to the south, and private residential, office and retail to the west. The site was previously home to University Hall and retail spaces.

Project Description: The Berkeley Innovation Zone - North Building is a development project that will provide wet laboratories and flexible space for UC Berkeley faculty and researchers and affiliated entrepreneurs and their collaborators in the life sciences, genomics and affiliated disciplines. The project would construct an approximately 169,000 gross square foot building housing laboratory space including wet and dry research space, support space, research and administrative offices, meeting rooms, collaboration areas and conference space. The building would be seven floors including a penthouse and mechanical area on the rooftop. A partial basement would be located below grade on the western end of the building. The project will include a courtyard to the south to provide space for informal gathering and group events. The primary building entrance would be located at the northeast corner of the building near University Avenue and Oxford Street. Additional entrances would be located on the south side of the building along the courtyard.

Document Availability: The Addendum and the Berkeley Innovation Zone EIR are available on the UC Berkeley Capital Strategies website (<https://capitalstrategies.berkeley.edu/environmental-review>). If you need assistance accessing these documents, please contact the Physical and Environmental Planning department at (510) 495-5786 or by email at planning@berkeley.edu.

UC Regents Meeting: On July 15-17, 2025, the UC Board of Regents will meet to, among other items, consider approval of the Berkeley Innovation Zone - North Building following review of the Addendum to the Berkeley Innovation Zone EIR. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and project design actions will consist of: 1) adoption of CEQA Findings for the Berkeley Innovation Zone - North Building Project; 2) implementation of applicable mitigation measures and continuing best practices as identified in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program adopted for the Berkeley Innovation Zone EIR; and 3) approval of the design of the North 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 July 15-17, 2025, 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 July 2025 UC Board of Regents meeting.



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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 (Capital Strategies website, Environmental Review - City Environs), and Berkeley Innovation Zone EIR (Capital Strategies website, Environmental Review - City Environs)

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