

Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: University of California, Berkeley
Physical & Environmental Planning
A&E Building
Berkeley, CA 94720

**Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination
in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.**

State Clearinghouse Number: 2003082131
Project Title: Centennial Drive Evacuation Support Project
Project Applicant: UC Berkeley
Project Location: University of California, Berkeley, Centennial Drive, Hill Campus

County: Alameda County

Project Description: UC Berkeley proposes to commence the Centennial Drive Evacuation Support Project (Project) from December 1, 2019, through January 15, 2020, consistent with the fuel management that was evaluated in the 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report (SCH # 200308213). The Project comprises 33.3 acres in the Hill Campus and would involve fuel management activities within 100 feet of the edge of pavement depending on slope and other conditions along both sides of Stadium Rim Way and Centennial Drive. Over a six-week period, UC Berkeley would remove all trees, regardless of species type or maturity, located along and within 100 feet adjacent to either side of portions of Centennial Drive and Stadium Rim Way that are either unhealthy and determined by an arborist to be dead or in poor or fair condition or that are located so that in a fire they could fall across the road blocking vehicle access on Centennial Drive becoming a safety hazard.

The Project is part of on-going fire management plan activities UC Berkeley implements in the Hill Campus. The proposed Project is a preventative measure because the trees are increasingly unstable, having first been weakened by drought and subsequently the underpinning soil was made unstable by a wet winter.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on May 20, 2015, and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. The 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report SCH #200308213 was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report is available to the general public at: University of California, Berkeley, Department of Physical & Environmental Planning, A&E Building, Berkeley, CA 94720, Attn: Raphael Breines, Senior Planner.

Signature: 

Title: Associate Vice Chancellor, Campus Architect
Date: October 15, 2019

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