Notice of Preparation

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From: Emil Zordilla, Director of Planning and Design
CSU Fullerton, 800 N State College Boulevard
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(Address)

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

Trustees of the California State University, California State University, Fullerton will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an environmental impact report for the project identified below. We need to know the views of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information which is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other approval for the project.

The project description, location, and the potential environmental effects are contained in the attached materials. A copy of the Initial Study (☐ is ☒ is not) attached.

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice.

Please send your response to Emil Zordilla, Director of Planning and Design at the address shown above. We will need the name for a contact person in your agency.

Project Title: Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for Campus Master Plan Update

Project Applicant, if any: California State University, Fullerton

Date August 30, 2019

Signature _____

Title Director of Planning and Design

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Reference: California Code of Regulations, Title 14, (CEQA Guidelines) Sections 15082(a), 15103, 15375.

Project Description
Trustees of the California State University, California State University, Fullerton
Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Campus Master Plan Update

The proposed project is an update of the California State University, Fullerton (CSUF) Educational and Facilities Master Plan (Campus Master Plan or CMP). Preceded by a planning process that began in 2018, the Campus Master Plan is an integrated, comprehensive guide for the future physical development of the 241-acre CSUF campus (project site) through the year 2040 planning horizon.

The project site encompasses the main CSUF campus, generally bordered by State Route 57 (SR-57) on the east, North State College Boulevard on the west, Yorba Linda Boulevard on the north, and Nutwood Avenue on the south, as well as the University's College Park classroom building and parking facilities south of Nutwood Avenue, bordered by College Place on the south, Langsdorf Drive on the east, and North Commonwealth Avenue on the west.

The Campus Master Plan will support and advance the University's educational mission through the provision of recommendations for future land uses, enhancement and replacement of existing facilities, infrastructure improvements, and improved intra-campus pedestrian connectivity. Key proposed Campus Master Plan components include net new on-campus housing for up to 3,000 students, a 6,000-seat event center, recreational facility and student union upgrades, new facilities and programs to enhance the University's Fullerton Arboretum, reconfigured and potentially increased parking capacity, new transit mobility hubs, and College Park pedestrian bridge access across Nutwood Avenue. The Campus Master Plan will accommodate up to 32,000 full-time equivalent students (FTES) through the year 2040, an increase from the previously approved enrollment level of 25,000 as of the 2016/2017 academic year. The net new addition of approximately 3,517,202 gross square feet (gsf) of additional on-campus facilities is proposed as part of the Campus Master Plan.

Ultimately, the project is intended to create an environment that fosters a complete, vibrant campus life, with increased amenities for student learning and informal engagement, expanded student housing and campus student life, greater accommodation of diverse modes of transit, and sustainability features and practices. Project implementation is anticipated in phases as funding and design are finalized.