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SCH #

Project Title: _____
 Lead Agency: _____ Contact Person: _____
 Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Project Location: County: _____ City/Nearest Community: _____
 Cross Streets: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): _____° _____' _____" N / _____° _____' _____" W Total Acres: _____
 Assessor's Parcel No.: _____ Section: _____ Twp.: _____ Range: _____ Base: _____
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: _____ Waterways: _____
 Airports: _____ Railways: _____ Schools: _____

Document Type:

CEQA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOP	<input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR	NEPA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOI	Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons	<input type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR	<input type="checkbox"/> EA	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Document
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Local Action Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Rezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Annexation
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Prezone	<input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment
<input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

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Development Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units _____ Acres _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type _____ MW _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreational: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____	

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

<input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land	<input type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding	<input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality
<input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater
<input type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical	<input type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic	<input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity	<input type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian
<input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Minerals	<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading	<input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise	<input type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Use
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption	<input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance	<input type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous	<input type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: _____

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

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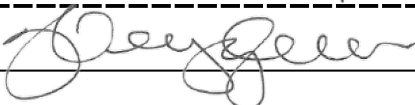
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<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
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<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
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<input type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date _____ Ending Date _____

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: _____	Applicant: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
Contact: _____	Phone: _____
Phone: _____	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 8/12/2020

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

Assessor's Parcel Numbers: All or portions of the following Assessor's Parcel Numbers are in the Plan Area: Alameda County: 048H-7750-001-03, 048H-7753-039-01, 048H-7755-029-01, 048H-7800-002-01, 048H-7900-002-04, 048H-7900-002-06, 048H-7900-004-01 and 057 -2042-004-10; Contra Costa County: 265-160-005-4 and 265-160-006-2.

Schools within Two Miles: Oxford Elementary School, Thousand Oaks Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Emerson Elementary School, John Muir Elementary School, Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School, Bayhill Hill School, and Berkeley High School.

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: The 800-acre Plan Area is located within the University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley) Hill Campus subarea designated in the 2020 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) in the hills adjoining and east of the UC Berkeley Campus Park and California Memorial Stadium. Development within the Plan Area includes several campus public and research facilities including the Lawrence Hall of Science, Botanical Garden, Space Sciences Laboratory, Field Station for the Study of Behavior, Ecology and Reproduction and the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute. However, the primary use of the Hill Campus is natural open space, including a 300-acre Ecological Study Area, maintained by UC Berkeley for education and research.

The land within the Plan Area is owned by the university and is not subject to local zoning restrictions. The land is zoned for high-density (R-5) residential by the City of Berkeley, residential hillside (RH) by the City of Oakland, and Forestry Recreational (F-R) and General Agriculture (A-2) by Contra Costa County; Alameda County has not assigned a zoning district to this area. The Plan Area is designated as Open Space by the City of Berkeley General Plan, Resource Conservation Area by the City of Oakland General Plan, and Parks and Recreation by the Contra Costa General Plan; Alameda County has not assigned a land use designation to this area.

Description of the Project: The Wildland Vegetative Fuel Management Plan (WVFMP) is proposed by UC Berkeley to treat vegetation that could become fire fuel within the Plan Area. The WVFMP includes implementation of four vegetation treatment types across the Hill Campus: 1) evacuation support treatments, 2) temporary refuge areas, 3) fuel break treatments, and 4) fire hazard reduction treatments. Five different vegetation treatment activities would be used to implement the four vegetation treatment types: 1) manual treatment, 2) mechanical treatment, 3) prescribed broadcast burning, 4) managed herbivory (livestock grazing), and 5) targeted ground application of herbicides. UC Berkeley would implement vegetation treatment activities on an average of 200 acres per year within the Plan Area. Up to 600 acres of the 800-acre Plan Area would be treated under the WVFMP because 200 acres are inaccessible (i.e., in Hamilton Gulch) or are not expected to carry fire, due to a lack of vegetative fuel.

UC Berkeley is also proposing specific vegetation treatment projects, which comprise two fuel break projects, four temporary refuge areas, and three fire hazard reduction projects in the Plan Area. Fuel breaks (FB) are proposed on Claremont Ridge (the East-West FB) and between the Hill Campus and the Hearst Gate to LBNL (the Hearst Gate FB). The temporary refuge areas (TRAs 1 through 4) are proposed adjacent to Claremont Avenue, in two areas along Jordan Fire Trail, and adjacent to Centennial Drive in the Lawrence Hall of Science parking area. The fire hazard reduction (FHR) projects comprise vegetation treatments in Strawberry Canyon (Strawberry FHR Project), Claremont Canyon (Claremont FHR Project), and on areas along Frowning Ridge (Frowning FHR Project). These nine specific projects are collectively referred to as the "Identified Treatment Projects."

The four treatment types and five treatment activities are reviewed for use throughout the Plan Area at a programmatic level, and the nine Identified Treatment Projects are studied at a project level of detail in the EIR. The near-term implementation of the Identified Treatment Projects along with the longer-term implementation of treatment activities studied at a program level, together comprise the proposed "project," as defined in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.