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

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Project Title: Bechtel Engineering Center Renovation and Addition

Project Applicant: University of California, Berkeley

Parties Undertaking Project: University of California, Berkeley

Project Location: Campus Park, UC Berkeley, bounded by Davis Hall immediately to the north, Hearst Mining Memorial Building to the east, Evans Hall to the south, and the West Plaza and McLaughlin Hall to the west.

County: Alameda


Project Description: The proposed Bechtel Engineering Center Renovation and Addition project would provide approximately 34,700 net new gross square feet to support student academic support services and collaboration space needs and address the existing building’s deferred maintenance. Public realm improvements shall include expanded terrace and plaza spaces for studying and collaboration, and improved wayfinding and circulation. The project would also address deferred maintenance, including upgrades to mechanical systems, replacement of waterproofing, façade repairs, and removal of architectural barriers to accessibility

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on *September 22, 2022* and has made the following determinations:

1. The Project would not cause any significant environmental impacts nor an increase in the severity of significant impacts previously studied in the UC Berkeley 2021 Long Range Development Plan (2021 LRDP) Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
2. Addendum #2 to the UC Berkeley 2021 LRDP EIR was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Relevant mitigation measures and continuing best practices from the 2021 LRDP EIR were made a condition of the approval of the project; no new project-specific mitigation measures are required.
4. The implementation of applicable UC Berkeley 2021 LRDP EIR mitigation measures will be monitored and reported pursuant to the 2021 LRDP EIR’s Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that Addendum #2 to the 2021 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report and record of project approval is available to the general public at:

<https://capitalstrategies.berkeley.edu/environmental-review>. For further information about the project, please contact Senior Planner Raphael Breines at planning@berkeley.edu or Physical & Environmental Planning, University of California, Berkeley, 200 A&E Building, Berkeley, CA 94720-1382.

Signature: 

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Date: *September 22, 2022*

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