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CEQA – NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

This Notice is being filed in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title

Sacramento State – Placer Center Master Plan

State Clearinghouse Number

2021060116

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Project Location

The 301-acre project site is located in unincorporated Placer County, north of the City of Roseville. The site is located directly east of Fiddymont Road, north of the planned east-west Sunset Boulevard roadway alignment, south of Athens Avenue, and west of Foothills Boulevard. The project site is located in Sections 7 and 8, Township 11 North, Range 6 East (MDB&M) of the “Roseville, California” 7.5-Minute Series USGS Topographic Quadrangle (USGS 2021) (approximate Latitude 38.816973, Longitude -121.340408).

Project Description

The Sacramento State – Placer Center Master Plan establishes the planning foundations for a new off-campus center including: enrollment, programming, phasing, land uses, infrastructure, and development and design guidelines. Buildout of the off-campus center would include administrative buildings; student and faculty housing; a student center; recreation and athletic facilities; a performing arts center; a hotel and conference center; a continuing education center; academic, research, and industry buildings (academic mixed-use); support services; and parking. The campus would include open space areas for active and passive recreation and provide opportunities for workforce development. Buildout of Sacramento State – Placer Center is anticipated in four phases over 35 years.

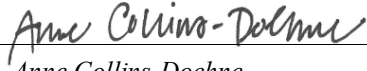
A California State University capacity assessment identified a market demand of 5,200 students for the Sacramento region by 2035. Enrollment projections are projected to exceed planned capacity by 21 percent in the Sacramento region, including Placer County. Sacramento State - Placer Center is intended to alleviate this pressure on Sacramento State’s main campus and meet the needs of the Placer County population, which is one of the fastest-growing regions in California, and one of three areas of California where enrollment demand is expected to exceed capacity in the coming years. The Master Plan is designed to meet the identified space needs with appropriate facilities in four phases of development, eventually realizing an off-campus center that serves approximately 20,000 undergraduate students (headcount) or 12,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) students, including approximately 5,000 Sierra College FTE students and approximately 7,000 Sacramento State FTE students.

Sacramento State – Placer Center is intended to expand access to higher education in the region through an innovative partnership with Sierra College, while serving as an anchor institution for the larger community and future development in the Sunset Area of Placer County. The off-campus center would also be rooted in partnerships with the County and outside industry. The Master Plan is intended to guide development and operation of a campus that is sustainable and resilient; that provides a successful student experience; and that establishes a new model of education, innovation, and community engagement. While Sacramento State - Placer Center would start off as an off-campus center tied to Sacramento State, the potential exists for it to turn into an independent California State University campus in the long term.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the Trustees of the California State University, as the lead agency, has approved the above-described project on January 31, 2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the Project:

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the project.
4. A mitigation monitoring/reporting program 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.

This is to certify that the Final Environmental Impact Report and supporting documentation are available to the general public online at <https://www.csus.edu/administration-business-affairs/facilities-management/news-archive.html>. In addition, WCAG-compliant Word files and a limited number of flash drives containing the Final EIR and hard copies of the Final EIR can be provided to persons who are unable to access the online version of the Final EIR. Please contact Tania Nunez at tania.nunez@csus.edu to request this accommodation.



January 31, 2024

Signature

Anne Collins-Doehne

Date

Title

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