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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

California State University, Long Beach Master Plan Update

State Clearinghouse Number

2022040460

Lead Agency Contact Person

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Project Location

CSULB is located in an urbanized area within the governmental jurisdictional boundary of the City of Long Beach, in southern Los Angeles County, California. The City of Long Beach is bordered by the cities of Paramount and Lakewood to the north; the Pacific Ocean to the south; the cities of Hawaiian Gardens, Cypress, and Los Alamitos, the unincorporated community of Rossmoor, and the city of Seal Beach in Orange County to the east; and the cities of Los Angeles, Carson, and Compton to the west. CSULB consists of two properties: the CSULB main campus and the Beachside Village property. The CSULB main campus, located at 1250 Bellflower Boulevard, encompasses 322 acres and is generally bounded by East Atherton Street on the north, East 7th Street on the south, Palo Verde Avenue on the east, and Bellflower Boulevard on the west. The Beachside Village property is a CSU-owned student residential complex located at 4835 Pacific Coast Highway, approximately 0.6 miles west of the CSULB main campus.

Project Description

Each of the 23 universities within the CSU system is required by the CSU Board of Trustees to prepare and periodically update a physical Master Plan. The Master Plan is intended to guide the physical campus development necessary to support the needs of the current student, faculty, and staff campus populations as well as projected student enrollment and campus population growth, which serves as the basis for determining long-term academic, administrative, student support, student housing, and athletic and recreational program space needs, in accordance with approved educational policies and objectives.

CSULB is one of the largest universities in the State by enrollment and continues to grow, often receiving the most undergraduate applications of any CSU, and enrolls one of the largest graduate student populations across the CSU system and the state of California. CSULB is proposing a comprehensive update of the current campus Master Plan, last updated in 2008, to accommodate enrollment growth, a campus population, and physical development of the campus through the horizon year 2035 (Master Plan Update, proposed project, or project). The Master Plan Update focuses on optimizing the existing physical assets of the campus, enhancing the efficiency of facilities throughout the campus, and evolving the existing buildings and programs to accommodate future university needs. The "project" that is analyzed in the Draft EIR includes specific development projects identified in the Master Plan Update that are expected to be developed in the near-term (2-5 years), mid-term (6-10 years), and long-term (11 years or more).

The underlying purpose of the Master Plan Update is to support and advance the CSULB mission, vision, and values by guiding the physical development of the campus and to accommodate changes in enrollment through the horizon year 2035. CSULB's projected enrollment at the horizon year 2035 is approximately 36,000 Full-Time-Equivalent Students (FTES), including approximately 33,000 FTES on campus and 3,000 FTES off-campus. The Master Plan Update is intended to accommodate this projected student enrollment and the corresponding campus population.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the Trustees of the California State University, as the lead agency, have approved the above-described project on January 31, 2024 and have 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 not required 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 www.csulb.edu/beach-building-services/california-environmental-quality-act-ceqa-compliance. In addition, 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 Melissa Soto at melissa.soto@csulb.edu to request this accommodation.

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