

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** University of California, Davis  
 Environmental Planning  
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**Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination  
 in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.**

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2017012008

**Project Title:** Hot Water Sprocket District Distribution and Building Conversion

**Project Location:** University of California, Davis

**Project Location:** Various locations within UC Davis core campus

**County:** Yolo

**Project Description:** The UC Davis Hot Water Phase 2 Conversion Project will replace the old and inefficient campus steam distribution system with a new energy-efficient hot water system for heating. The Project has two components: (1) installing underground hot water pipelines; and (2) mechanical upgrades within buildings to support the conversion to hot water heating. The Project would install approximately 5 miles of underground hot water pipes along 2.5 miles of trench to provide hot water heating system for 36 buildings with an approximate total square footage of 1.6 million square feet of building space. The conversion requires equipment modifications within existing building mechanical rooms. The Project would expand and connect to the hot water distribution lines installed in the previously approved and completed Hot Water Quad Loop and Hutchison Conversion Project.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California  Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and has made the following determinations:

1. UC Davis 2018 LRDP EIR sufficiently analyzes and addresses potential environmental impacts from the project, and the project will not trigger any of the criteria requiring additional CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. The project will not result in new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of the environmental impacts identified in the UC Davis 2018 LRDP EIR.
2.  *Addendum September 2023* to the UC Davis 2018 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) EIR (SCH# 2017012008) was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures from the UC Davis 2018 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 2018 LRDP Final EIR mitigation measures will be monitored and reported pursuant to the 2018 LRDP Final EIR’s MMRP.
5. The previous statement of overriding considerations in the 2018 LRDP Final EIR was reaffirmed for this project.
6. Findings  were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the *Addendum September 2023* to the UC Davis 2018 LRDP EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public online at <https://environmentalplanning.ucdavis.edu/current-projects> and at: UC Davis Design and Construction Management, 255 Cousteau Place, University of California, Davis, CA 95618, Attn: Heather Davis.

**Signature:** Heather Davis

Heather Davis  
**Title:** Director  
 Campus Planning and Environmental Stewardship  
**Date:** *September 19<sup>nd</sup> 2024*

Dated Received for filing at OPR: