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ADMINISTERING LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
MITIGATION MEASURES

I. REFERENCES (Available at the Office of Budget and Planning):

- A. 1990 Long Range Development Plan, University of California, Santa Barbara, September 1990.
- B. 1990 Long Range Development Plan, Final Environmental Impact Report, Volumes 1 - 6, University of California, Santa Barbara, September 1990.
- C. 1990 Long Range Development Plan, Mitigation Monitoring Program, University of California, Santa Barbara, September 1990.
- D. Regents Findings, Facts in Support of Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations Regarding the Final EIR for the UCSB 1990 LRDP, University of California, September 1990.
- E. UC CEQA Handbook: Procedural Handbook and Model Approach For Implementing The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), University of California, May 1991.
- F. California Coastal Commission Administrative Regulations, California Administrative Code, Section 13001 et seq.
- G. California Coastal Act of 1976, Public Resources Code, Section 30000 et seq.
- H. California Coastal Commission Findings for UCSB LRDP, California Coastal Commission, April 20, 1991.

II. POLICY:

A. Introduction

The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the 1990 Long Range Development Program (LRDP) identifies the significant environmental impacts associated with implementing the LRDP and specifies a series of measures designed to mitigate adverse impacts to the environment. Among the measures specified are administrative mitigation measures. These measures are actions or policies that, while not specifically related to the implementation of a particular development project, are related to the overall development of the campus as the LRDP is implemented and need to occur in concert with, yet independent of, the capital project process.

B. Policies

The University shall mitigate adverse impacts to the environment resulting from its implementation of the 1990 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) as is reasonably feasible by:

Complying with applicable mitigation measures adopted in connection with the approval of the LRDP; and

Following the LRDP EIR mitigation monitoring and reporting program to ensure compliance as the LRDP is implemented.

III. DEFINITION OF RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Office of Budget and Planning has the responsibility for assuring that LRDP FEIR administrative mitigation measures are implemented. Although not directly related to the implementation of a particular development project, the implementation of these measures is part of the campus' overall planning and development process.

The Vice Chancellors are responsible for ensuring that units under their authority comply with the administrative mitigation measures in the LRDP FEIR.

Departmental chairpersons and unit managers are responsible for promoting knowledge of the LRDP Mitigation Monitoring Program and for assuring staff know and carry out their responsibilities. Project managers and line supervisors are accountable for ensuring compliance with established procedures and the mitigation monitoring program in all activities under their control.

IV. PROGRAM ELEMENTS:

A. Geology

The Campus shall cooperate with regional agencies, such as the Beach Erosion Authority for Control Operations and Nourishment, in order to promote campus beach replenishment and management programs and to protect areas needed for appropriate water quality levels for the Campus sea water intake system (MM 4.2-20).

B. Biotic Resources

Pedestrians and bicycles shall be encouraged to remain on existing trails. Signs shall be posted (LRDP 30240(a).8, MM 4.4-9).

Bicycle access to the lagoon island shall be prohibited. Signs prohibiting unauthorized bicycle traffic shall be posted (LRDP 30240(a).9, MM 4.4-10). Motor vehicles (except for service and emergency vehicles), unleashed dogs, and swimming shall be prohibited in the Campus Lagoon and lagoon island environmentally sensitive habitat area. Signs restricting such access and activities shall be posted (LRDP 30240(a).7, MM 4.4-11).

The Campus shall implement the Wetlands Restoration and

Management Plan for Storke Wetlands and the Devereux Slough as approved by the Campus Wetlands Management Committee and UCSB (LRDP 30240(a).1, MM 4.4-16).

The Campus shall use mosquito control methods with the least effects upon non-target organisms. Wetlands shall not be drained for this purpose, nor shall non-native larval predators be introduced (LRDP 30240(a).16, MM 4.4-18).

Unleashed dogs and motor vehicles, except for service and emergency vehicles, shall be prohibited on campus beaches (LRDP 30240(a).15, MM 4.4-20).

Trash receptacles shall be placed on campus beaches; the campus shall continue to remove litter, especially plastic materials posing particular dangers to wildlife (MM 4.4-21).

The campus shall continue to maintain and improve bicycle and pedestrian accessways to the beach as necessary to protect sensitive habitat areas and public safety (LRDP 30210.15, MM 4.4-22).

Signs shall be posted requesting the public to minimize disturbance to sensitive habitats that are not or cannot be fenced, such as the tide pools at Goleta Point (MM 4.4-23).

Unleashed dogs shall be prohibited in the Storke Campus Wetlands (LRDP 30240(a).13, MM 4.4-31).

Mowing of the grassland in the reserve is prohibited, except for fire protection, and shall be avoided prior to the time plants go to seed. Mowing shall not exceed the minimum necessary for adequate fire protection (LRDP 30240(a).3, MM 4.4-38).

The Campus shall allow coastal access permit parking at the north entrance to West Campus [as shown in the 1990 LRDP]. Given space limitations imposed by the existing student garden and the need to protect the West Campus Marsh from runoff from parking facilities, no more than 10 additional parking spaces shall be provided at the time the adjacent student housing is developed (LRDP 30210.6, MM 4.4-42).

The University will, subject to the availability of funding from the State Coastal Conservancy, provide interpretive signs on West Campus, to highlight environmentally sensitive areas which could be damaged by excessive or unauthorized access (LRDP 30210.10, MM 4.4-43).

Whether leashed or not, dogs shall not be permitted in the reserve (MM 4.4-45).

Mowing for fire protection shall be avoided in areas other than the Coal Oil Point Reserve prior to the time plants go to seed and restricted to the minimum area necessary for adequate fire protection (MM 4.4-49).

C. Cultural Resources

The Campus shall continue to limit use of Devereux (Campbell

Ranch) Road by requiring Campus parking permits for access to Coal Oil Point (MM 4.5-14).

D. Housing

UCSB shall continue to offer a variety of housing assistance measures that increase the affordability of home ownership for faculty (MM 4.7-2).

In addition to providing student and faculty housing under the 1990 LRDP, UCSB will investigate the potential acquisition of existing housing units or an off-campus site or sites in the South Coast region for the development of housing units including affordable housing (MM 4.7-3).

The Campus shall not exceed a three-quarter average headcount enrollment of 20,000 students under the 1990 LRDP, unless the LRDP is amended by the University of California Board of Regents, after additional environmental review as required, in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act (MM 4.7-4).

E. Water Supply

The Campus will continue and expand its water conservation programs, sewage lines, telephone transmission lines, and parking lots, and structures (MM 4.8-1).

The Campus should conduct a thorough audit of existing indoor and outdoor water usage. This analysis should focus on means of reducing water demand including opportunities for delivery system upgrading, retrofitting low flow devices, irrigation management, etc. (MM 4.8-3).

The University should participate in studies of supply enhancement feasibility and design studies for additional and alternative sources directly usable by the Campus, including but not limited to waste water reclamation and desalination (MM 4.8-5). The Campus should irrigate athletic fields and landscaping with as much reclaimed water purchased from the Goleta Sanitary District or Goleta Water District which it is economically feasible to utilize (MM 4.8-6).

UCSB should negotiate with the GWD to: a) determine the reasonable marginal capital cost of developing such new water sources (including waste water reclamation) as are necessary to provide for new campus demand under the proposed 1990 LRDP beyond the existing Permit 14 entitlement; and b) pay such costs to the District through user charges, hook-up fees, or other means (MM 4.8-8).

In the event individual projects under the 1990 LRDP would create additional water demand beyond available water supplies, development should be deferred pending availability of adequate water supply through conservation, use of reclaimed water, development of new water resources, or other means (MM 4.8-10).

F. Solid Waste

As a customer of waste hauling and disposal services provided

under County contracts, UCSB will comply with all applicable requirements for waste hauling and disposal (MM 4.10-1).

The Campus shall continue a program of waste paper reduction education for faculty, staff, and students (MM 4.10-3).

The Campus shall continue to reduce waste paper generation through increasing the use of recycled paper products, using two-sided copies and reusable packing/shipping crates, recycling paper products, and other measures (MM 4.10-4). The Campus shall cooperate with the County and the Community Environmental Council (CEC) in the initiation of a program for composting yard waste (MM 4.10-5).

G. Schools

The Campus will work with Isla Vista School to enrich its curriculum and encourage the District to pursue its current expansion plans for Isla Vista School (MM 4.11-1).

The Campus will seek to provide child care facilities in new campus development to the maximum extent feasible (MM 4.11-2).

H. Law Enforcement

The Campus will increase campus law enforcement services as required to maintain existing levels of service (MM 4.12-1).

The County and UCSB should increase Isla Vista Foot Patrol law enforcement services as necessary to maintain existing levels of service (MM 4.12-3).

I. Parks and Recreation

Outdoor recreational facilities, including recreation fields, basketball and tennis courts, may be used by the public at no cost, when not occupied by UCSB classes or programs (LRDP 30213.1, MM 4.14-5).

Indoor recreational facilities such as weight rooms, gymnasias and the swimming pool may be used by the public, at low cost on a per-use or quarterly basis, as established by campus administrative programs (LRDP 30213.2, MM 4.14-6).

The University shall continue to provide weekend parking at the prevailing rate for visitors of Goleta Beach Park (MM 4.14-7).

J. Transportation

Improve directional signage on the Campus and on approaches to the Campus to improve traffic flow (MM 4.16-5).

In order to minimize energy consumption and vehicle miles traveled, the Campus shall implement a Transportation Demand Management program with the goal of diverting at least 10 percent of all passenger trips to and from campus to alternatives to the single-occupant automobile (LRDP 30253.14a, MM 4.16-7).

Visitors shall be entitled to use the parking facilities on the campus after payment of the appropriate parking fee and in accordance with campus parking regulations. Visitors shall be entitled to park in lots 23 and 24 on the southwest side of the Main Campus (LRDP 30210.3, MM 4.16-21).

The campus shall allow visitors to use, at the prevailing rate, designated parking in campus lots numbers 1 and 10 to accommodate public parking demand during Goleta Beach peak-use periods (LRDP 30210.4, 4.16-22).

The campus shall also allow coastal access parking in lots 5 and 6 at times when the lots identified in policies LRDP 30210.3 and LRDP 30210.4 have exceeded their capacity, and such parking would not unduly interfere with the parking needs of the campus (LRDP 30210.5, MM 4.16-23).

The campus shall allow coastal access permit parking at the north entrance to West Campus as shown on Figure IV-A-2 (Coastal Act Element). Given space limitations imposed by the existing student garden and the need to protect the West Campus marsh from runoff from parking facilities, no more than ten additional parking spaces shall be provided at the time the adjacent student housing is developed (LRDP 30210.6, MM 4.16-24).

The Campus shall construct up to 1,200 additional parking spaces on Main Campus (MM 4.16-29).

The Campus will match funding by the County of Santa Barbara to a maximum of \$15,000 for the preparation of an Isla Vista Transportation, Circulation, and Parking Plan. Components of the Plan will include:

1. A feasibility assessment of a fee-for-service remote parking lot to assist in the reduction of automobiles parked in Isla Vista;
2. The design of an appropriate red-curbing program in Isla Vista;
3. Data collection necessary to determine the potential effectiveness of an Isla Vista shuttle as an alternative form of transportation for Isla Vista residents. If deemed effective and financially feasible, the Campus will work with the County, Isla Vista, and MTD to establish a shuttle service to reduce dependence on the automobile;
4. A permit parking and enforcement program; and
5. Design of a system of bikeways connecting West and Main Campuses through Isla Vista (MM 4.16-30).

Public access to campus beaches from adjoining beaches and all stairway or pathway access routes mapped in Figure III-2 (Coastal Act Element) will remain open to protect the permanent right of the public for pedestrian access and appropriate recreational uses of the beach at all times, except as provided for in LRDP 30210.17 (LRDP 30210.2, MM 4.16-35).

The Campus shall conspicuously post coastal access signs which note the direction of the nearest beach access point at the approximate locations shown in Figure IV-A-2 (Coastal Act Element) and in parking lots 1, 5, 6, 10, 23, and 24. Additionally, signs will also be placed near the top of the bluff indicating paths and stairway locations (LRDP 30210.9, MM 4.16-36).

Public access policies under this section shall be subject to restriction, as determined by the Campus, only when public access is inconsistent with the following:

1. Public health or safety;
2. Natural disaster, civil disorders which pose a threat to property, or other such seriously disruptive events;
3. Extraordinary measures which are required to immediately avert, alleviate, or repair damage to campus property, or to maintain the orderly operation of the campus; military security needs;
4. Protection of fragile coastal resources; and
5. Adequate nearby access (LRDP 30210.17, MM 4.16-40).

The Campus shall cooperate with the County of Santa Barbara and the California Department of Parks and Recreation in the proposed expansion of the California Coastal Trail System so long as it is consistent with the environmental constraints of the Coastal Act (LRDP 30210.18, MM 4.16-41).

K. Air Quality

UCSB shall adopt a TDM goal similar to that of the joint City of Santa Barbara/County of Santa Barbara program, and provide an on-campus TDM coordinator (MM 4.17-8).

L. Hazardous Substances

The Campus will continue its compliance with University policy and all applicable hazardous materials and hazardous waste laws and regulations and will maintain and strengthen its hazardous waste minimization program (LRDP 30232.1, MM 4.20-1).

The Campus will continue and expand where necessary existing environmental educational activities to facilitate dissemination of information about the rapidly changing regulatory environment in the Campus community (MM 4.20-2).

Volumetric reduction of solid radioactive waste will continue by on-site compaction (75 percent reduction) and off-site compaction (30 percent) to achieve an overall reduction of 80 percent (MM 4.20-3).

The Campus will maintain and upgrade its resources for chemical

spill response in order to minimize the risk of any hazardous materials release or threatened release (LRDP 30232.2, MM 4.20-4).

The Environmental Health and Safety office will appropriately dispose of hazardous materials (LRDP 30232.3, MM 4.20-5).

Waste minimization efforts by the Environmental Health and Safety office will be strengthened and particular consideration will be given to:

- Monitoring of hazardous materials storage and handling procedures;
- Recycling (on site and off site) and source reduction goals and implementation procedures; and
- Informational and educational programs (LRDP 30232.4, MM 4.20-6).

The Campus will require its licensed hazardous waste haulers, pursuant to contract specifications, to comply with all applicable laws and regulations. The Campus will encourage licensed waste haulers to minimize potential risks to public health and safety by adhering to specified routes along major arterial roadways (MM 4.20-7).

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