MEMORANDUM

To: Interested Parties

From: Todd Henry, Planner, UC Berkeley Physical & Environmental Planning

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Subject: Modifications to the Jacobs Hall Project

On January 15, 2014, UC Berkeley published a draft Addendum to the 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report for the Jacobs Hall project. The availability of the draft Addendum was publically noticed via email to UC Berkeley’s CEQA notice list serv. Campus requested written comments be provided by February 14, 2014; no written comments on the Addendum were received.

In late February 2014, the Jacobs Hall project description was revised to include a basement level under the new building. A basement level had been included in earlier proposals for the building and is now considered to be feasible within the current proposal. This change to the project description required minor changes to the draft Addendum to reflect the revised project. Specifically,

- The project building description was revised to reference the addition of the basement level, the basement level’s programmed uses (i.e., computer lab and utilities), and to note the increase in the proposed project’s size (in square footage).
- Table 1 (Building Program Summary) was revised to reflect the increase in building square footage. The building’s size increased from 19,150 gross square feet to 24,035 gross square feet, or a net increase of about 4,885 gross square feet.
- Section III (Plan and Policy Context) was revised to reflect how the new project was consistent with both the NEQSS Project and 2020 LRDP. Specifically, Tables 2 and 3 were revised to show the increased square footage in relation to the growth envelope planned for and analyzed in the 2020 LRDP EIR.

The revised Addendum shows that the additional 4,885 gross square feet of academic space and proposed program uses are within the planned growth of the campus and Adjacent Blocks North described in the 2020 LRDP FEIR. The change would not alter any of the environmental topic analyses. The project modifications are contained to the subterranean levels on the site and do not require any modifications to the building’s location on the site or to the presentation and aesthetics (e.g., façade, landscaping) of the new building. The added basement level would not alter project design, would not alter landscaping of the project, and would result in no significant change in use or anticipated population of the building.

The revised Addendum incorporating the project changes has been made publically available via Facilities Services website: [http://www.cp.berkeley.edu/CP/Projects/JacobsHall/Details.html](http://www.cp.berkeley.edu/CP/Projects/JacobsHall/Details.html). Underlining and strikeout is used to highlight any changes made to reflect the addition of the basement level.