Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
PO Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: University of California
Physical and Environmental Planning
1111 Franklin Street, 6th Floor
Oakland, California 94607-5200

Subject:

Filing of Notice of Determination
in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code

State Clearinghouse Number: 2010062090
Project Title: Marine Science Campus Projects
Project Location (include county): University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC), Marine Science Campus (MSC), City of Santa Cruz (Santa Cruz County). The 98-acre UCSC MSC is located on the western edge of the City of Santa Cruz, about 3 miles south of the UCSC Main Campus. Vehicle entry to the MSC is at the intersection of Delaware Avenue and Schaffer Road. The northern edge of the UCSC MSC is located about ¼-mile south of Highway 1. MSC is bounded to the east by Schaffer Road, Antonelli Pond, and De Anza Santa Cruz residential community, to the south by the Pacific Ocean coastline, and to the west by agricultural lands in the County of Santa Cruz. The MSC site includes Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 3-32-03, 3-32-08, 3-32-09, 3-32-10, and 3-32-12.

Project Description: The Marine Science Campus Projects includes the following projects that will be implemented at the MSC during the same general timeframe: Coastal Biology Building Project (CBB) Project, MSC Environmental Health & Safety Facility (EH&S) Project, MSC Parking Phase 1 Project: Parking Lots C and D, Nature Education Facilities (NEF) Project, and Specific Resources Plan Phase 1B (SRP Phase 1B). The MSC Projects also include 11 minor amendments to the UCSC Coastal Long Range Development Plan (CLRDP) collectively known as “CLRDP Amendment #1” and modification to CLRDP EIR General Mitigation Measure 4.3-1.

The proposed CBB Project consists of development of a seawater-equipped laboratory and research facility and greenhouse complex (approximately 47,500 gsf [33,000 asf]), and associated surface and stormwater infiltration facilities, improvements to the MSC utility and circulation infrastructure, and development of a small utility yard and a storage yard equipped with emergency generators that would support the CBB facilities and provide space for additional generators as needed to support future development at the MSC under the CLRDP. Utility and circulation infrastructure improvements would implement some of the requirements of the CLRDP and include replacement of a portion of the existing wastewater lines, extension of seawater distribution lines, a new campus roadway, and a dedicated bicycle pedestrian pathway.

The proposed EH&S Facility would consist of a regulated waste storage container that would be sited in the utility yard and that would serve existing and planned laboratories at the MSC.

The proposed MSC Parking Phase 1 Project would develop two parking lots with 115 parking spaces adjacent to the CBB facilities.

The NEF Project would develop or improve a network of pedestrian trails and associated interpretive exhibits and signage around the MSC and also would provide a public access parking lot near the campus entrance.

The SRP 1B Project would implement provisions of the CLRDP Resource Management Plan, including hydrologic reconnection of wetlands on the northern part of the campus, erosion control improvements, and restoration of native vegetation in wetland areas.

Project construction is anticipated to begin in October 2013 and would require about 21 months to complete. Some of all of the projects likely would be under construction simultaneously during at least part of this period.
This is to advise that the University of California (☐ Lead Agency ☐ Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on January 18, 2012, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project ☒will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☒ were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. ☒ A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☒ 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 EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public at: Physical Planning and Construction, Barn G, 1156 High St, University of California, Santa Cruz, 96064, Telephone: (831) 459-3732.

Signature: [Signature]

Title: Acting Director, Physical and Environmental Planning

Date: January 19, 2012
cc: University Counsel Drumm
    Interim Director of Physical Planning and Construction and Campus Architect Barnes
    Senior Environmental Planner Morgan
    Santa Cruz City Planning and Community Development
    Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments
    Specialist Wills
    Director Kim

Dated Received for filing at OPR:

Authority cited: Sections 21082 and 21087, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21000-21174, Public Resources Code Revised 2004
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA 95064

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TO THE ORDER OF

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GA
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Sacramento CA 95814

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