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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

San José State University Campus Master Plan

State Clearinghouse Number

2023030435

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Project Location

The Master Plan Area encompasses the Main and South campuses of the University, as well as various off-campus properties owned by the University in and around the City of San José (City) in Santa Clara County. The Main Campus encompasses 88.5 acres in downtown San José at 1 Washington Square and is developed with academic, student life, administrative, and athletic facilities, as well as student residence halls. The South Campus encompasses 62 acres located approximately 8 city blocks or 1.3 miles southeast of the Main Campus and is the home of the Athletic Department including a majority of the University's athletic facilities.

Project Description

The Campus Master Plan is a long-range planning document that guides the development and use of campus lands to accommodate projected growth in student enrollment and in fulfillment of SJSU's academic mission. To accommodate the anticipated enrollment growth and increase in demand for academic facilities, additional housing, recreation and athletic facilities, and student support facilities and services on campus through 2045, the Campus Master Plan would include the demolition and replacement of approximately 1,065,000 GSF of existing academic, administrative, housing, and support facilities to allow the campus to add density in both the Main and South campuses while maintaining and increasing the amount of open space on the Main Campus. Approximately 1,400,000 GSF of academic, research, and administrative space and an additional 400,000 GSF of student support space would be added. This includes approximately 900,000 GSF of new student housing space to accommodate the 2,100 new student beds and up to 1,000,000 GSF of new housing at the Alquist Building site. The new housing development at the site of the Alquist Building would provide up to 1,000 residential units with up to 500 units for faculty, staff, and graduate students. In total, approximately 3,700,000 GSF of net new construction, 1,065,000 GSF of replacement, and 1,600,000 GSF of renovation would occur within the Master Plan Area.

In terms of assignable square feet (ASF), an additional 750,000 ASF of academic and administrative, and an additional 225,000 ASF of support space would be developed. In addition, 650,000 ASF of existing aging or obsolete academic, administrative, and support space would be demolished and replaced with new facilities.

The Campus Master Plan projects overall student enrollment to increase from a total headcount of 35,475 (AY 2018-2019) students to 44,000 students (27,500 full-time equivalent students [FTES]) by 2045, along with sufficient faculty and staff to provide instruction and support services to accommodate the demand of this increased headcount. More than half of that growth would occur in Special Sessions (i.e., academic programs provided to matriculated students on a self-support basis) and online enrollment.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the Trustees of the California State University, as the lead agency, has approved the above-described project on May 21, 2025, and has made the following determinations regarding the project:

- 1. The Board of Trustees finds that the Master Plan FEIR has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. The FEIR addresses the proposed Master Plan and all discretionary actions related to the project as identified in the Master Plan FEIR.
- 3. Prior to the certification of the Final EIR, the Board of Trustees reviewed and considered the above FEIR and found it to reflect the independent judgment of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies the Final EIR as complete and adequate and finds that it addresses all potentially significant environmental impacts of the project and fully complies with the requirements of CEQA. For purposes of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines, the administrative record includes the following:
 - a. The DEIR for the San José State University Master Plan;
 - b. The FEIR, including comments received on the DEIR, responses to comments, and revisions to the DEIR in response to comments received;
 - c. The proceedings before the Board of Trustees relating to the proposed Master Plan, including testimony and documentary evidence introduced at such proceedings; and
 - d. All attachments, documents incorporated, and references made in the documents as specified in items (a) through (c) above.
- 4. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, which requires the Board of Trustees to make findings prior to the approval of the project (Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 21081; Cal. CEQA Guidelines § 15091).
- 5. The Board of Trustees hereby adopts the CEQA Findings of Fact, Statement of Overriding Considerations, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, which identifies the environmental impacts of the proposed Master Plan Revision and required mitigation measures, hereby incorporated by reference. The required mitigation measures shall be monitored and reported in accordance with the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, which meets the requirements of CEQA (Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 21081.6; Cal. CEQA Guidelines § 15097).
- 6. The project will benefit the California State University.
- 7. The San José State University Master Plan dated May 2025 is approved.
- 8. The chancellor or her designee is requested under Delegation of Authority granted by the Board of Trustees to file the Notice of Determination for the San José State University Master Plan EIR.

This is to certify that the Final Environmental Impact Report with responses to public comments, administrative record, and record of project approval are available to the general public online at https://www.sjsu.edu/campusmasterplan/ceqa/index.php. and by appointment at Facilities Development and Operations, Corporation Yard, San José State University, One Washington Square, San José, CA 95192. Attn: Stacey White, stacey.white@sjsu.edu.

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