NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project: Great Meadow Bike Path Preservation and Safety Improvement Project Phase 2
Project Location: UC Santa Cruz main campus, city of Santa Cruz
Lead Agency: University of California, Santa Cruz

In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines and the University of California Procedures for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the University of California, Santa Cruz (University) has prepared an Initial Study for the Great Meadow Bike Path Preservation and Safety Improvement Project Phase 2 (Great Meadow Bike Path Project). The Initial Study is tiered from the University of California, Santa Cruz 2005 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Based upon the Initial Study, the University has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is appropriate for the proposed Project.

The proposed Great Meadow Bike Path Project site is located along the existing bike path alignment within the Great Meadow in the south-central portion of the campus. The project consists of reconstructing and widening the existing bike path to meet current California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) standards to the extent feasible within the current alignment. This would include reconstruction and repaving of the path, widening and paving of shoulders, correcting existing drainage issues adjacent to the path, and designating specific portions of the path for shared pedestrian and bicycle use.

On the basis of the Initial Study prepared for the project, the University has determined that, with implementation of the mitigation measures, the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment. Copies of the Draft Initial Study and all documents referenced therein are available for review at the address below. In addition, the Initial Study is posted at: https://ppc.ucsc.edu/planning/EnvDoc.html

Pursuant to CEQA, the 30-day public review period will extend from April 5 through May 6, 2019. The public review period closes at 5:00 p.m. on May 6, 2019.

Submit your comments to eircomment@ucsc.edu (please include “Great Meadow Bike Path” in the subject line) or send written comments to:

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