Subject: UC Santa Cruz LRDP EIR Scoping Session Changes – NO IN-PERSON SESSION

Dear All,

In light of recent concerns around COVID-19 and the decision by the campus earlier today to limit gatherings of over fifty people and move to classes online, we are modifying the format of the LRDP EIR Scoping Sessions and extending the Scoping Period to provide alternative methods for public participation. We have outlined these changes below.

UC Santa Cruz LRDP EIR NOP Scoping Sessions on March 12, 2020 – LIVE VIDEO FORMAT ONLY

We will continue to conduct Scoping Sessions scheduled for March 12, 2020 but are modifying the hearing to a virtual format rather than an in-person event. The scoping sessions will be at the same time and date as originally planned:

- Campus Scoping Session I Thursday March 12, 2020 I 12pm – 2pm
- Community Scoping Session I Thursday March 12, 2020 I 6pm – 8pm

Both Scoping Sessions will be conducted via a live video feed; we will not be conducting an in-person session at Merrill Cultural Center and the Louden Nelson Community Center. Please go to the following link to participate in each session: https://video.ibm.com/channel/WfRRwzKR4We

During each session, we will provide a brief presentation and will read the public comments we have received to date via the live video feed. The presentation will be posted online at https://lrdp.ucsc.edu before the event; the link to the live video feed will also be included online.

If you would like your comments to be read during the Scoping Session live feed, please send them to eircomment@ucsc.edu from now until the end of each Scoping Session. Please indicate which session, “Campus Session” or “Community Session” for which you would like your comments to be read aloud and provide your full name for the transcript. All comments received will be included in the record. Depending on the volume of comments received, and as is typical with all public hearings, we may limit each person’s comment to three minutes to make sure all comments are heard.

Additional Scoping Session

An additional Scoping Session will be added the first week of April. We anticipate this will also be a virtual session due to ongoing concerns about COVID-19. We will issue more detail in the coming week.
UC Santa Cruz LRDP EIR NOP Scoping Period

We are extending the deadline of the Scoping period from Monday, March 30, 2020 to Wednesday, April 8, 2020 by 5:00pm. Comments can be provided as originally noted in the NOP:

Written comments on the NOP will be accepted anytime during the NOP review period, which began Tuesday, February 25, 2020 and now ends Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 5:00pm. Please state “LRDP NOP Comments” in the subject line, and send your written or electronic responses, with appropriate contact information, to the following address:

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