ACTION UNDER PRESIDENT'S AUTHORITY – APPROVAL OF LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT #3 FOLLOWING ACTION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, SANTA BARBARA CAMPUS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Regents approved the 2010 UCSB LRDP following certification of an Environmental Impact Report in September of 2010. The campus is within the Coastal Zone and therefore compliance with the California Coastal Act is required for most development implementing the LRDP. Subsequent to The Regent’s approval of the 2010 LRDP and FEIR, UCSB submitted the 2010 LRDP to California Coastal Commission (CCC) for their review for certification and the LRDP was certified by the CCC in November 2014. The proposed LRDP amendment will be submitted to the CCC for certification.

The Regents anticipated the need for the campus to submit the LRDP to the CCC, and the likelihood that they would require modifications. In their September 2010 adoption of the LRDP the Regents authorized the UCOP President to modify the LRDP, if required, in response to comments received from the California Coastal Commission, provided that any substantial changes in principles or policies of the LRDP would be brought to the Regents for consideration.

The purpose of this proposed action is to make modifications to the LRDP and LRDP EIR as a result of new LRDP policy required by the CCC, to revise “allowed land uses” in the Reserve Overlay land use designation, to add a new associated policy, and to make minor text and graphic corrections. The specific changes are:

1. Revise LRDP FEIR Mitigation Measure BIO-3D (MM BIO-3D);

And amend the 2010 LRDP to:

2. Add the Coal Oil Point Reserve Management Plan (COPRMP) to the LRDP as Appendix 5, and make conforming edits to the LRDP Table of Contents and text to include the COPRMP;

3. Edit the Reserve Overlay allowed uses section on Page D.6 of the 2010 LRDP
4. Add a new LRDP policy to allow a confined animal facility at the COPR Director's Residence

5. Correct a text error for parking spaces in LRDP Table A.1: Summary

6. Revise LRDP Figures to correct an error in the boundary of the North Campus

BACKGROUND

The 2010 LRDP and LRDP Environmental Impact Report evaluated the proposed increase in student population of 5,000 students (from 20,000 to 25,000 students), and commensurate increase of approximately 1,800 faculty and staff. To accommodate this increase in students and meet research and academic needs, the LRDP projected a need to build 5,000 additional student beds, 1,800 faculty/staff units, and an additional three million square feet of new academic and support space.

The Regents anticipated the likelihood that the Coastal Commission would require LRDP modifications. In their September 2010 adoption of the LRDP http://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/regmeet/sept10/gb6.pdf the Regents specifically authorized the UCOP President (action 6) to modify the LRDP, if required, in response to comments received from the California Coastal Commission, provided that any substantial changes in principles or policies of the LRDP would be brought to the Regents for consideration.

UCSB submitted the 2010 Regent-certified LRDP to the California Coastal Commission (CCC) in May 2011 and it was certified by the CCC in November 2014. In their approval, the Coastal Commission required certain modifications to the LRDP. The proposed action responds to the Coastal Commission comments (primarily the addition of the Coal Oil Point Reserve Management Plan to the LRDP and LRDP EIR mitigation measure modification), and makes other campus proposed edits and minor modifications.

Proposed Modifications

This action proposes six changes: one revision to the LRDP EIR, and five modifications to the LRDP.

LRDP EIR modification

1. LRDP EIR Mitigation Measure BIO-3D

The proposed revision to Mitigation Measure BIO-3D of the LRDP FEIR is a response to comments from the California Department of Fish and Game (now Wildlife) during the public review of the Draft LRDP EIR. Mitigation Measure BIO-3D is being revised to match Coastal Commission requirements in the 2010 LRDP, Appendix 2 Campus Tree Trimming and Removal Program. The CCC created Appendix 2 of the 2010 LRDP and it contains aggressive tree protection policies for the purpose of preserving habitat for raptors and birds.

The following existing Mitigation Measure would be deleted:

BIO-3D To mitigate impacts to wildlife habitat the University shall apply the following replacement ratios for mature trees (8 inches or greater diameter at breast height) which are removed by LRDP construction:
• 10:1 for mature native trees; and
• 3:1 for mature non-native trees.

Replacement trees shall be either sycamore, oak, or another native tree species. In the case when oak trees are removed, oak trees shall be used for replacements. Placement of replacement trees should be 20 feet minimum, and they shall be monitored, nurtured, and protected within the dripline to encourage survival of a minimum of 5 years.

All trees of other biological importance shall be replaced at a ratio of 3:1.

The Mitigation Measure would be replaced with the following:

**BIO-3D:** The removal of any tree shall require mitigation in the form of replacement planting according to the mitigation ratio shown below:

i. The removal of any native tree or breeding/nesting tree requires 3:1 replacement with native tree.

ii. The removal of any ornamental tree requires 1:1 replacement with native or ornamental tree.

iii. The removal of any oak tree requires at least 10 replacement oak seedlings, less than one year old, grown from acorns collected in the area, and shall be planted on-site, or if not feasible due to site constraints, shall be planted in ESHA or Open Spaces areas. Oak tree plantings shall be supplemented with a mycorrhizal inoculant, preferably oak leaf mulch or from clippings of locally-indigenous species lawfully removed from the site or from sites within the vicinity of the planting site, at the time of planting to help establish plants.

**LRDP modifications**

2. **Coal Oil Point Reserve Management Plan (COPRMP)**

CCC Policy LU-33 requires the University to amend its LRDP within 2 years of certification to include the COPRMP. Coal Oil Point Reserve is one of the 39 UC Natural Reserves which are properties managed by the University to provide undisturbed environments for research, education, and public service. Each Reserve is administered by a campus and in this instance the COPR is immediately proximate to the campus.

**Policy LU-33** – Within two years of the effective date of certification of the 2010 LRDP, the University shall prepare and submit a **Coal Oil Point Reserve Coastal Management Plan** to the Coastal Commission as an amendment to the 2010 LRDP. No new structures shall be approved on the Reserve until the Plan is certified by the Coastal Commission.

The purpose of the Plan shall be to comprehensively identify existing and planned development, maintenance, and programs at the Reserve that are consistent with coastal resource protection under the Coastal Act and the certified LRDP. The COPR Coastal Management Plan shall specifically identify: a baseline of all existing development on the Reserve (including confined animal facilities); the development’s date of installation; permitting history; existing Reserve programs (e.g., the snowy plover management, wetland restoration, native plant species cultivation); existing maintenance operations such as location, timing and methods of fuel modification; and status of habitat restoration activities.
The Plan shall provide a detailed description of all development, maintenance, and programs that are proposed to continue on the Reserve. The Plan shall augment the biological resource mapping (Figure F.2) effort on campus, both on and off the Reserve, based on current (within 1 year) and historic resource surveys for all areas within 300 feet of proposed Reserve development, maintenance, or management programs. The Plan shall evaluate the consistency of the proposed development and activities with the Coastal Act.

The attached COPRMP contains descriptions, policies, and actions to manage the Reserve's User, Conservation, Stewardship, Administrative, and Infrastructure and Facilities programs (Attachment 1). In addition the COPRMP contains specific guidance and actions for the Snowy Plover program, Restoration activities, and Access on the Reserve. These programs have been implemented for years and the plan does not propose changes.

COPRMP would be added to the LRDP as Appendix 5. There would be no text changes to the 2010 LRDP to add the COPRMP. It is a stand-alone document. The COPRMP is referenced in the 2010 LRDP on Pages B-22 and 23. The LRDP Table of Contents will be updated and text linking the COPRMP to Appendix 5 will be inserted on page B-23.

3. 2010 LRDP Section D Reserve Overlay Land Use Designation-Allowed Uses

The Reserve Director desires to keep pet goats at the Reserve Residence as a “hobby.” Keeping animals other than household pets (e.g., cats and dogs) requires to be specifically included as an allowed use in the Reserve Overlay land use designation. In order to generalize the uses for future Reserve Directors the text “including an animal confinement facility for keeping animals” will be inserted after “Reserve Director’s residence” and the allowed use will be linked to a new LRDP Policy. Revised text is in underline and italics.

Allowed uses within the Reserve Overlay shall be limited to:

• Environmental interpretation/educational displays
• Fences, signs, or other wildlife permeable, natural barriers to protect public safety, manage open space areas, and direct public access
• Habitat creation, restoration and/or enhancement activities, including vegetation management for habitat restoration purposes consistent with Policy ESH-12
• Parking for Reserve personnel and volunteers
• Public coastal access, including public coastal access trails, parking, benches and bicycle racks
• Reserve Director's residence including an animal confinement facility for keeping animals in accordance with Policy LU-34 (c).
• Reserve Field Station facilities such as workshops, storage sheds, offices, greenhouses and shade hut
• Weather stations, observation blinds, or other similar small structures to enhance the Reserve’s objectives as a natural study area

4. New LRDP Policy:

LU-34 (c)
A Confined Animal Facility (CAF) and Animal keeping at the Reserve Director’s residence shall require a Notice of Impending Development. The CAF shall house no more than 10 adult animals, up to 20 youth or newborn animals and not to exceed 30 total animals at any time. A manure waste management plan shall be
required. Animal grazing is prohibited on the Reserve or in adjacent Open Space areas without a grazing plan approved by the Coastal Commission.

5. 2010 LRDP Table A.1: Summary

LRDP Table A.1 summarizes the changes from the 1990 LRDP to the 2010 LRDP in enrollment, faculty and staff, building space square feet, housing, play fields, and parking spaces. In response to negotiations with the organization Sustainable University Now (SUN) Table A.1 was revised to reflect the desires of SUN depending on what the outcome of the CCC certification would be. Inaccurate text was inserted into the text of the table and the amendment will correct the inaccurate text. The revised Table A.1 is attached (Attachment 2).

6. Adjustment to LRDP Figures

An error was made in drawing the boundaries of a privately-owned residential-zoned property adjacent to the North Campus Open Space/North Campus-Sierra Madre Apartments project. The LRDP Figures are revised to show the private property. The parcel is 0.50 acres and does not impact the overall acreage calculations and no edits are required to campus acreages.

Boundary revisions to show the private property in the North Campus would be made to LRDP Figures B.6 (1990 Certified LRDP Land Uses), B.7 (Existing Built Environment), B.8 (Open Space), B.9 (UCSB Campuses), B.10 (2010 Existing Coastal Access, D.1 (Land Uses), D.2 (Land Use Overlays), D.3 (Development Areas), D.4 (Building Heights), E.1 (Vehicular Circulation & Parking), E.2 (Bicycle Routes), E.3 (Trail Routes), E.4 (Coastal Access Program), F.1 (Open Space Areas), F.2 (Existing Biological Resources), F.3 (Restoration Areas), F.4 (Scenic & Visual Resources), and F.5 (ESHA Buffers). These figures are attached (Attachment 3).

Consistency with LRDP

This proposed LRDP Amendment would be consistent with the 2010 LRDP objectives since the changes would not cause the campus to exceed 5,000 students and the number of student, faculty, and staff beds/units would not exceed the number analyzed in the LRDP EIR. The proposed Amendment would still promote and adhere to the following LRDP objectives:

1. Mature the Academic Programs;
2. Strengthen the Campus Form;
3. House Students, Faculty, and Staff;
4. Integrate Sustainable Practices; and
5. Contribute to Regional Solutions.

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consideration.”

Environmental Summary

An Addendum (#2) to the Final EIR for the 2010 LRDP (SCH#2007051128) was prepared in accordance with
CEQA and the University of California Procedures for Implementation of CEQA (Attachment 4). The
Addendum evaluates the Proposed Action (revise MM BIO-3D, add the COPRMP to the LRDP, and correct a
text error in LRDP Table A.1: Summary) and the potential for any impacts from revising MM BIO-3D and
amending the LRDP to accommodate these changes. The Addendum, in accordance with Section 15168 of the
CEQA Guidelines, is tiered from the campus 2010 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact
Report (2010 LRDP EIR), which was certified by The Regents in connection with the approval of the 2010
LRDP in September 2010.

The environmental analysis incorporates by reference applicable portions of the 2010 LRDP EIR. The 2010
LRDP EIR, which is a program EIR pursuant to Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines, analyzes the overall
effects of campus growth and facility development through 2025-30, and identifies measures to mitigate the
significant adverse impacts and cumulative impacts associated with that growth. The proposed Addendum to
the EIR is not required to be publically circulated.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended based on review and consideration of the CEQA documentation and pursuant to the Regents
Sept 2010 Action 6 delegating authority to the President to make modifications to the LRDP in response to
CCC and Regents Policy 8102 that the President take the following actions:

1. Find the 2010 LRDP EIR, as amended by Addendum #2, is adequate to support the revision to
Mitigation Measure BIO-3D, the addition of the Coal Oil Point Reserve Management Plan to the
LRDP and correction of the text error in LRDP Table A.1: Summary and graphic corrections;

2. Revise the LRDP EIR Mitigation Monitoring report to reflect change to Mitigation Measure
BIO-3D (Attachment 5)

3. Adopt the California Environmental Quality Act Findings (Attachment 6)

4. Amend the UC Santa Barbara 2010 LRDP EIR:

   • Revise MM BIO-3D in accordance with Coastal Commission tree replacement ratios and
     replanting details
Amend the UC Santa Barbara 2010 LRDP:

- Add the Coal Oil Point Reserve Management Plan as Appendix 3 to the LRDP,
- Revise the allowed uses in the Reserve Overlay land use designation
- Add a new policy for a confined animal facility and animal keeping at the COPR Director’s Residence
- Correct a typographical error in LRDP Table A.1: Summary.
- Correct the property boundary lines on LRDP Figures D.1,

Approved:

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President of the University

Attachment 1 – Coal Oil Point Management Plan
Attachment 2 – Revised Table A.1
Attachment 3 – Revised LRDP figures
Attachment 4 – Addendum #2 to the LRDP EIR
Attachment 5 – Revised Mitigation Monitoring Report reflecting Mitigation Measure change to BIO-3D
Attachment 5 – Findings