Update for Community Groups – June 2011

Please note the underlined text in the electronic version of this update contains active links that provide additional information on the subject matter.

Class of 2011 - An All Campus Graduation Celebration will be held the evening of June 10, to provide all undergraduate and graduate students an opportunity to celebrate commencement in addition to the separate commencement ceremonies for each of the six undergraduate colleges and the various graduate programs.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

Notice of Preparation (NOP) of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Clinical and Translational Research Institute (CTRI) and East Campus Recreation Area (ECRA) Project.

The proposed Clinical and Translational Research Institute (CTRI) and East Campus Recreational Area (ECRA) project consists of two discrete facilities—the CTRI building on a 4.2 acre site and the ECRA facility on an 8.2 acre partially developed site in the East Campus Health Sciences (ECHS) neighborhood.

The proposed 360,000 gross square-foot (GSF) CTRI building would consist of research laboratories, laboratory core facilities, research and clinical core facilities, CTRI administration and support offices, Cardiovascular Center (CVC) physician and administrative support offices, and building common areas and support spaces.

The ECRA would provide additional recreation facilities in proximity to existing UCSD recreation uses, thus providing some relief from the current high demand for wellness and team practice needs on the UCSD campus.

A community information and EIR scoping meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday, June 16th on the UCSD campus in University Center, Administrative Complex, Room 111A.

For additional information visit http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/

PROJECTS

Location of instructional and research facilities, as well as necessary campus support facilities, such as housing and parking, is directed by UCSD’s Long Range Development Plan (LRDP), which is prepared in response to campus enrollment and population projections. Available on the Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/projects/index.html is the Capital Improvements Status Map which is an interactive map where each project link leads to a detailed project information sheet.

PROJECTS SLATED FOR COMPLETION IN 2011

**EAST CAMPUS OFFICE BUILDING** – located in the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood this project will provide new space for office, administrative and clinical research activities.

**EAST CAMPUS PARKING STRUCTURE** – located in the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood this project will provide approximately 1,252 parking spaces, along with a recreation field under which some of the spaces will be constructed.

**MUIR COLLEGE APARTMENTS** – located in the Muir College Neighborhood this project will provide 275 beds for undergraduate students in apartment-style units.

**REVELLE COLLEGE APARTMENTS** – located in the Revelle College Neighborhood this project will provide 500 new beds in apartment-style units at Revelle College.

**REVELLE UNIT 1 REMODEL** – located in the Revelle College Neighborhood this project will provide infrastructure and interior renovation at six undergraduate housing buildings – Atlantis, Beagle, Challenger, Discovery, Meteor, and Galathea – on the Revelle College campus, known collectively as Unit 1. This project would replace existing plumbing, mechanical, lighting and electrical infrastructure with new and more efficient equipment, install fire and life safety systems such as alarms and sprinklers, and provide interior renovations.

**SANFORD CONSORTIUM FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE (SCRM)** – located in the North Campus – North Torrey Pines Area this project will provide research laboratories, office space, and building support space. SCRM is a 501(c)3 non-profit, public benefit corporation formed by the Burnham Institute for Medical Research, the Salk Institute for Biological Studies, the Scripps Research Institute, and UC San Diego.
SOUTHWEST FISHERIES SCIENCE CENTER – located in the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Hillside Neighborhood this research facility is being developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

TELEMEDICINE AND PRIME HEq EDUCATION FACILITY – located in the School of Medicine Neighborhood this project will accommodate a new program in Medical Education: Health Equity (PRIME-HEq) and support a major new telemedicine initiative to improve health care access to medically underserved populations and other “at risk” populations. The building will include instruction, academic office and support, patient care, and student support space for the School of Medicine, including a surgery teaching laboratory.

NEWS

UCSD COMMUNITY PLANNING NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE INFORMATION
The Spring 2011 issue of the newsletter with a focus on Student Affairs, together with project information sheets and an interactive map of campus projects is available on the UCSD Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu. Visit the website to learn more about campus development with accompanying information on specific projects.

UCSD NEWS
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UC SAN DIEGO
FIRST CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY TO ACHIEVE 'GOLD' STARS SUSTAINABILITY RATING

UC San Diego has been named the first college or university in California and one of only 10 campuses in the United States and Canada to earn a “gold” sustainability-performance rating in a prestigious annual survey.

The rating is the outcome of the Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS) survey, which has been developed with broad participation from the higher education community and administered by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE). The rating is designed not only to be transparent, but also to enable meaningful comparisons over time and across colleges and universities using a common set of measures developed by participating institutions themselves. “UC San Diego has demonstrated a substantial commitment to sustainability by achieving a STARS gold rating and is to be congratulated for its efforts,” said AASHE Executive Director Paul Rowland.

“This gold rating attests to the collaborative efforts made by our students, staff, faculty, and community members to pioneer sustainable solutions,” said UC San Diego Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. “In the six years since I declared sustainability a top educational priority and goal of all campus operations, UC San Diego has been transformed into a living laboratory of sustainability solutions. From economics to mechanical engineering, academic departments have incorporated sustainability concepts into majors, minors, internships, classes and a wide range of research experiences.”

“This is easily the most extensive sustainability survey of all of them, and it is easily the most objective,” said Gary C. Matthews, Vice Chancellor of Resource Management and Planning at UC San Diego. “To be the first institution of higher education in California to get STARS gold is phenomenal and reflects the campus’ deep commitment to sustainability. This starts with the chancellor and extends to all administrative and academic departments, right down to each student who decides each day whether to drive to campus or walk, ride a bike or takes a bus to campus. Our student interns helped with data collection for the STARS survey and it is they who will champion the cause for sustainability for many years to come as they clearly represent the future.”

The gold STARS rating is one of many sustainability awards UC San Diego has won in recent years, including the 1st Annual Climate Leadership Award for Institutional Excellence in Climate Leadership, which was presented at the 4th Annual American College and University Presidents’ Climate Commitment Summit in 2010.

The survey gauges the percent of UC San Diego’s students who arrive on campus each day in something other than a private vehicle. The survey also includes such metrics as the square footage of building space that has been LEED certified by the U.S., Green Building Council. Expenditures on recycled-content paper versus expenditures on non-recycled-content paper also are compared.

Of the 269 institutions that have registered for the STARS survey, 12 have achieved a bronze rating, 26 got silver and 10 received gold. No college or university has yet achieved platinum.

For additional information visit http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/newsrel/general/05-20-11GoldStars.asp