Update for Community Groups – July 2011

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

2011 Summer Session extends from June 27 to September 3, 2011.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

MESOM LABORATORY BUILDING — The Chancellor approved the design and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration environmental document on June 21st 2011.

Located in the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Hillside Neighborhood this project will construct 40,100 gross square feet space for research and education in marine ecosystems, climate variability and change, and marine ecosystem forecasting at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography. For additional information on the project visit http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/MESOM/default.htm

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 IN THE PRELIMINARY PLANNING PHASE

CLINICAL AND TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CTRI) — Located in the East Campus Health Sciences Neighborhood, the project will provide approximately 360,000 gross square feet of new clinical research space. The 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.

This new facility will provide the space necessary to consolidate and expand the “bench to bedside” translational research on the East Campus. The project will create a multidisciplinary environment that brings together laboratory scientists and clinical investigators in order to foster translation of fundamental biological discoveries into new treatments and to enhance understanding of human disease.

SIO RESEARCH SUPPORT FACILITY — Located in Seaweed Canyon this project will provide approximately 25,000 gross square feet of storage and staging for SIO’s sea going programs that require specialized equipment, instrumentation, calibration and support materials.

SIO’s research utilizes specialized instrumentation and equipment deployed at sea and in remote locations around the world. SIO’s existing research support facilities in Seaweed Canyon are used to stage and store equipment for research expeditions that embark from the Nimitz Marine Facility in Pt. Loma. Most of the existing research support facilities in Seaweed Canyon were built in the 1940s and are in poor condition, making them increasingly inadequate and unsafe for research use. This project will replace these aging, dilapidated structures with new facilities, while also upgrading utilities and improving road access to comply with current code requirements.

The first public meeting for the project will be an informational presentation at the La Jolla Shores Association (LJSA) meeting on July 13, 2011 at 7pm in the Martin Johnson House at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

Additional meetings will be held as the project advances.
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
For UCSD News see http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/

UC SAN DIEGO CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF ACHIEVING THE EXTRAORDINARY
UC San Diego celebrated its landmark 50th anniversary with a variety of special events and activities designed to engage the campus and San Diego community while highlighting historic milestones, remarkable achievements and innovative firsts. From honoring the university’s founders to highlighting the campus’ ongoing transformation into a living laboratory of sustainable solutions,

“Celebrating our 50th anniversary this year gave us a chance to reflect on and share the many achievements of UC San Diego faculty, students, alumni, staff and friends,” said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. “The university has had a positive impact on San Diego and the world, and now we look forward to an exciting future of continuing to achieve the extraordinary.”

The celebration kicked off in September 2010 and concludes this month with Alumni Weekend. All 50th Anniversary activities gave UC San Diego a chance to highlight its achievements and transformation from a fledgling campus housed on former military land to a world-class academic and research institution ranked among the top 10 public universities in the nation. Celebratory events were designed to engage the campus and greater San Diego community, raising the visibility of the university and heightening awareness of its impact.

For additional information visit http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/thisweek/2011/06/13_50years.asp

UC SAN DIEGO VOLUNTEERS DONATE 62,000 HOURS OF SERVICE WORTH $1.5 MILLION
More than 3,300 members of the UC San Diego community donated over 62,000 hours of service during the university’s 50th anniversary celebration, contributing roughly $1.5 million of free labor, according to calculations from Independent Sector, which provides the value of a volunteer hour.

“I am so proud of our students, staff, faculty, alumni and university friends for giving their time and energy to help others through the Volunteer50 program,” said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. “We far surpassed our initial goal of reaching 50,000 cumulative hours of service. We truly are a community of visionaries, innovators and overachievers.”

Volunteer50: Chancellor’s Call to Service was launched in September 2010 as part of the 50th anniversary commemoration. Service is an integral part of the university’s mission and UC San Diego is named by Washington Monthly as No. 1 in the nation in rankings measuring “what colleges are doing for the country.”

In addition to the 50,000-hour cumulative goal, Chancellor Fox also had challenged each campus community member to perform 50 hours of service. More than 200 people met that challenge and a few individuals far exceeded it. The top Volunteer50 hour loggers, as of June 8, are staff member and Volunteer50 co-chair Pepper Lane, 665 hours; staff member Mark Kinsey, 592 hours; and retiree Gayle Barsamian, 513 hours.

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