INTRODUCTION

This planning study and associated design and landscape guidelines provide a conceptual framework to steer the physical development of the 24-acre neighborhood of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) campus immediately east of La Jolla Shores Drive: The SIO Hillside Neighborhood. This plan is intended to enable anticipated expansion of SIO programs to occur in a cohesive, site-sensitive, and aesthetically superior manner consistent with the spirit and traditions of the Scripps community and following the precepts established in the 1989 University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Long Range Development Plan and the Master Plan study.

PLANNING PROCESS

The SIO Hillside Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) collaborated with the Campus Planning Office and design consultants in the conceptual development of the plan. Specifically, the PAC members interpreted the spirit and traditions of the Scripps community and expressed their individual visions of the future development of the SIO Hillside Neighborhood, which assisted the design team in formulation of the neighborhood plan.

The Marine Sciences Physical Planning Committee (MSPPC) reviewed the plan for its conformance with the SIO Master Plan and for its impact on the areas outside the study area boundaries. The plan was also reviewed by the Park Committee for its impact on the UCSD Park lands adjoining the study area, and the Design Review Board considered the proposed design and landscape guidelines. Final review and recommendation to the UCSD Chancellor for acceptance was given by the Campus/Community Planning Committee for the neighborhood plan and by the Design Review Board for the design and landscape guidelines.

DOCUMENT ORGANIZATION AND USE

Part I: Planning Context relates the relevant considerations of previous plans, describes the existing physical conditions of the neighborhood and establishes program requirements for the future development.

Part II: Neighborhood Plan organizes the program and planning requirements and establishes the overall development, circulation and landscape structure for the neighborhood. Further, the plan suggests development phasing strategy.

Part III: The Design Principles set down design objectives for the work of future architects and planners that will ensure development is consistent with the spirit and traditions of the Scripps community. These principles are interrelated and extend into many facets of the physical environment. They are intended to inform the designers of individual projects of the responsibilities they have to the larger whole when designing a specific piece of this neighborhood. The design guidelines which support each design principle are descriptive
and intended to convey the character of the SIO Hillside Neighborhood. Implementation strategies critical to the neighborhood's integrity are identified for further study.

The information provided in this document is meant to serve as the initial basis for discussion and investigation among administrators, the user groups, cognizant committees and architects. It is important that the neighborhood plan and design guidelines be considered from the very start of program development and funding identification for individual projects, that they be explicitly adopted or adjusted by all parties at the beginning of a project, and that they serve as the basis for continuing evaluation.

If project specific discussions should indicate that provisions of this planning study should be modified, immediate consideration of the impact of changes on the entire neighborhood should occur.