Notice of Determination

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From: University of California, Berkeley

Physical & Environmental Planning

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Berkeley, CA 94720

Subject: Filing of <u>Notice of Determination</u> in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2003082131

Project Title: Claremont Canyon Evacuation Support Project

Project Applicant: UC Berkeley

Project Location: University of California, Berkeley, Claremont Avenue, Hill Campus

County: Alameda County

Project Description: UC Berkeley proposes to commence the Claremont Canyon Evacuation Support Project (Project) from November 1, 2020, through December 15, 2020, consistent with fuel management activities evaluated in the 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report (SCH # 2003082131). Vegetation treatment would focus on removing trees that could potentially block access if they fall across the road. The Project comprises 18 acres in the Hill Campus and would involve vegetation removal conducted along a strip of land up to 100 feet from the edge of pavement on both sides of Claremont Avenue. Over a six-week period, UC Berkeley would remove any tree located along and within 100 feet adjacent to either side of portions of Claremont Avenue that is either unhealthy and determined by an arborist to be dead or in poor or fair condition, regardless of species type or maturity, or that is taller than 100 feet or located so that in a fire it could fall across the road blocking vehicle access on Claremont Avenue becoming a safety hazard.

The Project is part of on-going fuel management activities UC Berkley implements in the Hill Campus. The proposed Project is a preventative measure to support emergency evacuation along Claremont Avenue in the event of a landslide, wildfire, earthquake, or other need for evacuation.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California **\(\mathbb{Z}\)** Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on September 10, 2020, and has made the following determinations:

- 1. The project \(\overline{\overline
- 2. The 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report SCH #200308213 was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures \(\subseteq \) were made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan **■** was adopted for this project.
- 5. A statement of Overriding Considerations \(\mathbb{\text{\infty}} \) was adopted for this project.
- 6. Findings \(\subseteq \) were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The 2020 Long Range Development Plan Environmental Impact Report is available to the general public at: University of California, Berkeley, Department of Physical & Environmental Planning, A&E Building, Berkeley, CA 94720, Attn: Raphael Breines, Senior Planner.

Signature:

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Title: Associate Vice Chancellor, Campus Architect

Date: September 10, 2020

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