## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR THE SOLANO PARK DEMOLITION PROJECT

Date: June 10, 2022

To: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, and Interested Persons

Lead Agency: University of California, Davis

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the Solano Park Demolition Project

Review Period: June 10 – July 11, 2022

Purpose of Notice: In accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the University of California, Davis (UC Davis) is distributing a notice of preparation (NOP) to solicit comments on the scope of a subsequent environmental impact report (Subsequent EIR) tiered from the 2018 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) Program EIR (SCH #2017012008). Subsequent environmental review is environmental analysis prepared for a later discretionary approval after an agency has certified a prior EIR (PRC Section 21166; CEQA Guidelines Section 15162). UC Davis, the lead agency under CEQA (PRC, § 21000 et seq.), has determined that a Subsequent EIR is necessary to further evaluate the project-specific information on the Solano Park Demolition Project in relation to potential impacts to tribal cultural resources.

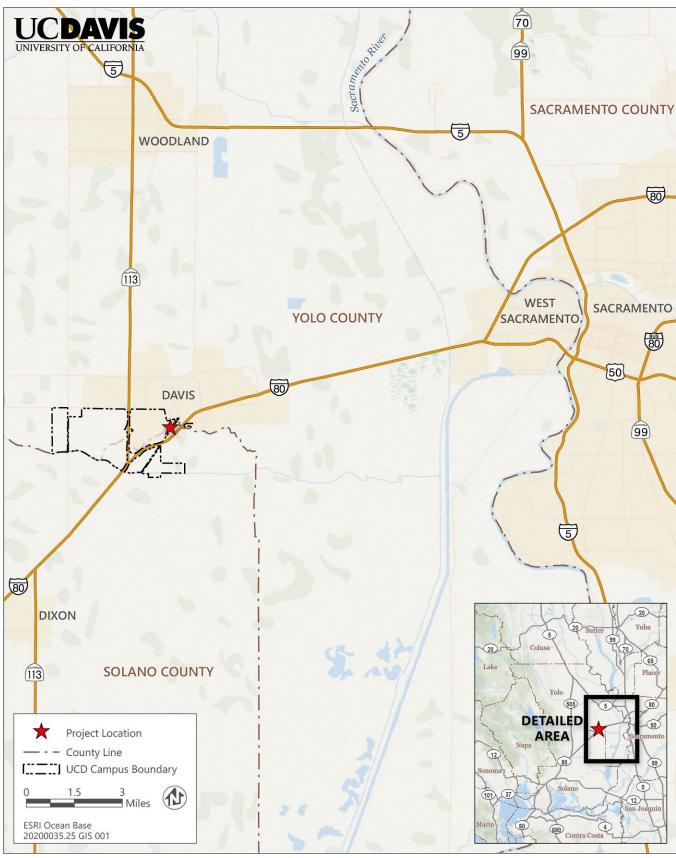
The purpose of this NOP is to provide an opportunity for the public, interested parties and public agencies to comment on the scope and proposed content of the Subsequent EIR.

**Project Location:** The Solano Park Demolition site is located on approximately 16 acres on the UC Davis central campus, located off Old Davis Road and Arboretum Drive, south of the Arboretum Waterway and along the Union Pacific Railroad tracks (Figures 1 and 2).

**Project Overview:** Solano Park is a housing development, built in 1962 that consists of 26 two-and three-story multi-unit apartment buildings, a community center, and ancillary buildings for mail, laundry, storage, and maintenance. The apartments and all associated buildings are currently vacant.

The Project would involve demolition of the UC Davis Solano Park Student Housing Development, including the removal of all existing buildings, removal or modification of surface and subsurface infrastructure, and the establishment of a management plan for the site after the demolition activities. Future development of the site is not currently proposed.

**Environmental Effects:** Due to the sensitivity of the site in terms of Patwin history, UC Davis has identified the potential for significant environmental effects related to archaeological and tribal cultural resources, which will be evaluated in further detail in the Subsequent EIR. UC Davis anticipates that the Project's other potential environmental effects were appropriately evaluated by the 2018 LRDP EIR and will substantiate that the Project is within the scope of the 2018 LRDP EIR for those resource topics.



Source: Adapted by Ascent Environmental in 2022

Figure 1 Regional Location



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Figure 2 Site Location/Project Boundary

Comment Period: UC Davis requests written comments regarding the scope and content for the Subsequent EIR that is relevant to your agency's statutory/regulatory responsibilities or is of interest to individuals, to ascertain potential environmental impacts of the project. The NOP comment period extends from June 10 to July 11, 2022.

The NOP is available review at the following locations:

On-line: <a href="https://environmentalplanning.ucdavis.edu/solano-park-demolition">https://environmentalplanning.ucdavis.edu/solano-park-demolition</a>

UC Davis: Office of Campus Planning and Environmental Stewardship, 436 Mrak Hall

## **Public Libraries:**

Davis: Mary L. Stephens Branch Library, 315 East 14th Street, Davis, CA 95616

UC Davis: Shields Library Reserves Section, Shields Avenue, University of California

Written and/or email comments on the NOP should be provided at the earliest possible date but must be received by 5:00 p.m. on July 11, 2022. Please send all comments on the NOP to:

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Comments provided via email should include "UC Davis – Solano Park Demolition NOP Scoping Comment" in the subject line and the name and mailing address of the commenter in the body of the email. If you are from an agency that will need to consider the Subsequent EIR when deciding whether to issue permits or other approvals for the project, please provide the name of a contact person.

**Public Scoping Meeting:** UC Davis will host a virtual (on Zoom) public scoping meeting to inform interested parties about the Project, and to provide agencies and the public with an opportunity to provide comments on the scope and content of the Subsequent EIR. The scoping meeting will be held via webinar only.

Monday June 27, 2022 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Participants must register to attend the scoping meeting. Interested parties can register to attend by visiting the project's webpage: <a href="https://environmentalplanning.ucdavis.edu/solano-park-demolition">https://environmentalplanning.ucdavis.edu/solano-park-demolition</a>

After registering, you will receive the link to log-into the webinar on June 27, 2022.