## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS TO THE SDSU 2007 CAMPUS MASTER PLAN FINAL EIR

**Notice of Availability.** California State University/San Diego State University ("CSU/SDSU") has prepared a Draft Additional Analysis ("DAA") to the SDSU 2007 Campus Master Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH No. 2007021020) for public review and comment.

As background, in November 2007, the CSU Board of Trustees approved the SDSU 2007 Campus Master Plan Revision, which authorized: (i) an enrollment increase of 10,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) students from 25,000 to 35,000; and (ii) the near-term and future development of campus infrastructure to facilitate the enrollment growth ("project"). Following the Trustees' approval, the City of San Diego, San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), and the Del Cerro Action Council challenged the adequacy of the EIR prepared for the project. The lawsuits raised multiple issues, and the litigation proceeded from Superior Court, to the Court of Appeal, to the California Supreme Court. Ultimately, the courts ruled the EIR was inadequate in three limited respects: (i) the traffic mitigation measures requiring the payment of funds to implement recommended road improvements were inadequate because SDSU's payment was required only if the legislature appropriated the funds; (ii) the analysis of the project's impacts on transit facilities was inadequate; and (iii) a mitigation measure requiring preparation of a transportation demand management (TDM) plan was inadequate as it improperly deferred implementation of the plan. Based on the court's ruling, CSU/SDSU was directed to "take any and all further action that may be necessary to bring SDSU into compliance with CEQA." In response to the court's order, SDSU has prepared the DAA to revise those portions of the 2007 SDSU Campus Master Plan EIR found inadequate by the court.

**Project Location.** The SDSU campus is located along the Interstate 8 freeway, between the Waring Road and Lake Murray Boulevard interchanges. The campus is bisected on its north-south axis by College Avenue, and generally bound by Interstate 8 and Del Cerro Boulevard/Adobe Falls Drive to the north, and Montezuma Road to the south.

**Project Description.** As previously noted, the SDSU 2007 Campus Master Plan authorized an enrollment increase of 10,000 FTE students, along with the near-term and future development of campus facilities to accommodate the growth. These facilities are: Adobe Falls Faculty/Staff Housing; Alvarado Campus classroom and research facilities; Student Housing; Alvarado Hotel; a renovated Student Union; and, a Campus Conference Center.

To comply with the court's ruling, the DAA presents a revised EIR Section 3.14, Transportation/Circulation and Parking. The section includes revised traffic mitigation measures that remove the prior condition making their implementation and/or funding contingent upon legislative appropriation. Additionally, the DAA includes a revised, quantitative analysis of the transit-related impacts associated with the project, and a mitigation measure requiring implementation of specific TDM strategies. These three discrete areas are the only areas of the 2007 Campus Master Plan EIR the courts found inadequate and, therefore, the only three areas CSU/SDSU is required to address in the DAA.

Summary of Significant Environmental Impacts. Project implementation would result in significant impacts to off-campus intersections, street segments, freeway ramp meters, and freeway mainline segments. Where feasible mitigation is available, such mitigation is identified and its implementation would reduce the corresponding impacts to less than significant. Mitigation includes a requirement that SDSU implement certain identified TDM strategies to reduce vehicle trips to and from campus, including increased rideshare opportunities, bicycle and pedestrian related improvements, and strategies designed to increase transit ridership. However, in numerous instances, mitigation is not feasible for various

reasons, including physical constraints and/or the absence of a funding plan or program to implement the necessary improvements. Therefore, impacts related to certain off-campus roadway facilities would be significant and unavoidable. Impacts relating to transit would be less than significant.

**Public Review Period/Comment Period.** The DAA will be circulated for a 45-day public review period commencing January 12, 2018 and concluding February 25, 2018. As the lead agency, CSU/SDSU requests that reviewers limit their comments to those subjects ruled inadequate by the court and the corresponding analyses presented in the DAA.

Following preparation of responses to comments, a Final Additional Analysis will be prepared that will include the written responses to comments and other responsive documentation. The Draft Additional Analysis, Final Additional Analysis, and 2007 Campus Master Plan Final EIR then will be presented to The Board of Trustees of The California State University for certification under CEQA and re-approval of the 2007 Campus Master Plan consistent with the court's order.

Written comments on the DAA must be received by mail, email, or facsimile no later than 5:00 P.M. on February 25, 2018. Please direct all comments to:

Laura Shinn, Director

Department of Facilities Planning, Design and Construction
Administration Building, Room 130

San Diego State University

5500 Campanile Drive

San Diego, California 92182-1624

E-mail: lshinn@mail.sdsu.edu

This notice will be filed with the San Diego County Clerk's office for a period of not less than 45 days, and will be published in a newspaper of general circulation.

Reviewing Locations. The Draft Additional Analysis, along with the 2007 Campus Master Plan Final EIR, may be accessed online through the SDSU website at http://bfa.sdsu.edu/campus/facilities/planning/. Copies of the DAA are available for review at the following locations: (1) Love Library (on the main SDSU campus, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, California 92182); (2) College-Rolando Public Library, City of San Diego Public Library, 300 Park Boulevard (6600 Montezuma Road, San Diego, California 92115-2828); and (3) Office of Facilities Planning, Design and Construction (SDSU Campus, Administration Building, Suite 130, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, California 92182).

**Hazardous Substances.** The general mailing address of the SDSU Campus is 5500 Campanile Drive. This address is listed on several hazardous substances databases/lists enumerated under Section 65962.5. However, none of the physical improvements to the SDSU Campus proposed by the project are identified on any regulatory database compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.