

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY/SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
NEW STUDENT HOUSING PROJECT
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
(State Clearing House # 2016121025)**

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY. California State University/San Diego State University (CSU/SDSU) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to analyze the potential environmental effects of the proposed New Student Housing project (proposed project).

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project would be located in the northwest corner of the SDSU campus within the existing Campus Master Plan boundary, and would be constructed immediately north of Remington Road, west of 55th Street, and south of Interstate 8 (I-8).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is a student housing project that would expand on-campus student housing facilities adjacent to the existing Chapultepec Hall. Specifically, the proposed project would consist of the development of facilities to accommodate up to 2,566 new student housing beds in a series of residential towers to be located on the existing Parking Lot 9 (formerly U Parking Lot) and centered around the existing Chapultepec Hall. The proposed project would be developed in three successive phases and the analyses conducted by CSU/SDSU addresses, where applicable, the environmental impacts that could arise in each phase. In particular, the first phase would include construction of up to 850 student housing beds on the existing Parking Lot 9, east of the existing Chapultepec Hall; the second phase would include construction of up to 850 student housing beds to the west of the existing Chapultepec Hall; and the third phase would include construction of up to 866 student housing beds in buildings located north of Chapultepec Hall. The proposed project would consist of up to eight new buildings. One building would serve as a dining hall (2 stories), while the remainder of the buildings would consist of up to 4- to 14-story buildings of single-, double-, and triple-occupancy student housing units. The complex would include outdoor gathering spaces and green space. The proposed project would entail permanent removal of the existing Parking Lot 9. A more detailed description of the proposed project, the project location, and the potential environmental effects associated with development of the proposed project, are provided in the Draft EIR.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS: The Draft EIR determined that the proposed project would result in no impacts to agricultural and forestry resources and mineral resources; less than significant impacts to air quality, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, and population and housing; and impacts that would be mitigated to less than significant relative to biological resources, cultural resources (including tribal cultural resources), geotechnical resources, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, public services and utilities, and transportation/circulation and parking (as to the first and second phases). The Draft EIR also determined that the proposed project's impacts relative to traffic (under phase three) and aesthetics (under the second and third phases) would be significant and unavoidable.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Draft EIR will be available for public review and comment for a 45-day period beginning April 21, 2017 and ending June 5, 2017. Please direct all comments to: Laura Shinn, Director; Facilities Planning, Design, and Construction; SDSU, 550 Campanile Drive, San Diego, California 92182-1624 or via email to lashinn@mail.sdsu.edu. All written comments on the adequacy of the Draft EIR must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on June 5, 2017. Following the close of the public comment period, responses to comments on the Draft EIR will be prepared and, together with the Draft EIR, will constitute the Final EIR. This notice will be filed with the San Diego County Clerk's office for a period of not less than 45 days.

ACCESSING THE DRAFT EIR: The Draft EIR may be accessed online using the SDSU website at www.sdsu.edu/chapultepec. Copies of the Draft EIR are available for review at the following locations during normal business hours: (1) Love Library (on the main SDSU campus, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, California, 92182); (2) College-Rolando Public Library(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).

PUBLIC MEETING: A Public Meeting relating to the Draft EIR will be held Monday, May 8, 2017, at 6:30 PM in the Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center on the SDSU campus.

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 of the Government Code. However, the 5500 Campanile Drive address is located approximately 0.35 miles southeast of the site of the proposed project; the proposed project site itself is not identified on any regulatory database compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5.