

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A TIERED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE PETERSON HALL 1 REPLACEMENT BUILDING PROJECT**

DATE: May 27, 2022

SUBJECT: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Tiered Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Peterson Hall 1 Replacement Building Project

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, the California State University (CSU) is the Lead Agency for the Peterson Hall 1 (PH1) Replacement Building Project (proposed project). Based on the information contained in the Initial Study prepared for the proposed project, CSU has prepared a tiered Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. The CSU is distributing this Notice of Intent (NOI) to agencies that have permit authority over the proposed project, interested groups, and organizations in accordance with CEQA.

For residential recipients of this notice: You are being provided with this notice because of your property's proximity to the project site.

BACKGROUND: The 2008 Campus Master Plan included new infill development to accommodate for the projected growth by replacing existing aged, obsolete, and inefficient facilities. The proposed improvements include up to approximately 1.2 million square feet in new or replacement facilities. In addition, area plans on campus were identified for more detailed development, including the Student Services Addition, PH1 and Peterson Hall 2 (PH2) Replacement, the Liberal Arts Complex, Student Housing, and the Soccer Field and Sports Buildings. Many of these have been completed since the adoption of the 2008 Campus Master Plan.

The 2008 Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (approved project) analyzed environmental impacts associated with the maximum growth that could occur on the campus with implementation of the 2008 Campus Master Plan. Specifically, the 2008 EIR analyzed impacts associated with the PH1 and PH2 Replacement project, which anticipated the demolition of PH1, PH2, and Faculty Office 5 (FO5), and in their place, construction of two new buildings totaling 150,500 gross square feet (GSF) in the same locations. In the time since the 2008 EIR, CSU has determined that project modifications or changed circumstances have occurred and/or new information has become available following the previous discretionary approval, and these changes trigger the need for additional environmental review. Therefore, preparation of an Initial Study is required, which would determine whether there is substantial

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located on the California State University Long Beach (CSULB) campus in the City of Long Beach, California. The project site is generally bound by the Shakarian Student Success Center building (formerly PH 2) to the north, pedestrian pathways to west, the Fine Arts 3 and Fine Arts 4 buildings to the south, and surface parking lots E7 and G15 to the east.