# **Executive Summary**

This Executive Summary is provided pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15123 and contains an overview of the analysis of the potential environmental effects of the University of California, Riverside (UCR) proposed 2021 Long Range Development Plan (proposed 2021 LRDP).

## **Project Synopsis**

This Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared to examine the potential environmental effects of the proposed 2021 LRDP. The following is a summary of the full project description, which can be found in Section 2, *Project Description*.

## **Project Location**

The UCR main campus (campus) is located at 900 University Avenue in the City of Riverside (City), California. The approximately 1,108-acre campus¹ is in the eastern portion of the City, just west of the Box Springs Mountains. The campus is approximately 3 miles east of downtown Riverside and approximately 2.2 miles northwest of the city of Moreno Valley. Riverside is in Riverside County and lies in a larger geographic area commonly known as Inland Southern California. Inland Southern California includes western Riverside, southwestern San Bernardino counties, and portions of the Pomona Valley in easternmost Los Angeles County. The campus is generally bounded by Blaine Street to the north, Watkins Drive to the east, Le Conte Drive to the south, and Chicago Avenue to the west. The campus is diagonally bisected by the Interstate 215/State Route 60 (I-215/SR 60) freeway, resulting in two areas referred to as East Campus and West Campus. The two resulting areas of campus are described below.

## **East Campus**

East Campus comprises approximately 604 acres and contains most of the University's built space. Nearly all the academic, research, and support facilities are in the Academic Center, which is circumscribed by Campus Drive and many original campus buildings. The northern half of East Campus is devoted to student housing and recreation. The UCR Bell Tower marks the heart of the campus, at the center of the Carillon Mall. The UCR Botanic Gardens is in the southeastern area of East Campus. The terrain steepens to the south and east of East Campus surrounding the UCR Botanic Gardens; these areas are largely unbuilt.

### West Campus

West Campus comprises approximately 504 acres and is largely used as agricultural research fields and teaching managed by the Agricultural Operations unit of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences. Several University facilities are also on West Campus: Parking Lot 30, University Extension, and International Village – a housing complex intended for visiting international students. The University Substation, jointly owned by the City and UCR, is at the northern edge of Parking Lot 30. A California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) service yard is situated on an approximately 4.4-acre triangular parcel directly west of the I-215/SR 60 freeway, at the eastern terminus of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The UCR Palm Desert Center, UCR Natural Reserves, all other Regents-owned properties, and all off-campus leased spaces are excluded.

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Everton Place. The Gage Canal irrigation facility traverses the area north to south, with portions running underground.

## Background

Under the California Master Plan for Higher Education, the University of California (UC) system guarantees access to the top 12.5 percent of California's public high school graduates and qualified transfer students from California Community Colleges.

UCR is one of 10 campuses in the UC system. UC policy requires all campuses to maintain Long Range Development Plans, known as LRDPs. An LRDP is defined by statute as a "physical development and land use plan to meet the academic and institutional objectives for a particular campus or medical center of public higher education" (Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21080.09). The LRDP is a comprehensive document that guides a campus's physical development through planning objectives and policies and addresses land use, the location of new facilities, distribution of open space, and circulation strategies. An LRDP identifies the physical development needed to achieve academic goals and is a valuable reference document for the university and community.

Campus LRDPs are driven by the academic programming goals and the projections of both enrollment and service populations to achieve goals by an established horizon year. Each LRDP specifies how a campus will accommodate the projected student population along with the faculty and staff required to support that student population.

The Regents approved the first UCR LRDP in 1964 and approved subsequent revisions in 1990 and 2005. UCR adopted five amendments to the 2005 LRDP. The 2005 LRDP projected an enrollment of 25,000 undergraduate, transfer, and graduate students by Fall 2015; however, those student growth projections proved to be conservative (UCR 2005). As of the 2018/2019 academic year, UCR had reached student enrollment of approximately 24,000 (UCR 2021a). Additional information on enrollment is presented in Section 3, *Environmental Setting*.

## 2021 LRDP EIR Objectives

The proposed 2021 LRDP is broad in its scope and intends to achieve overarching goals established by the State, the UC system, and UCR. Statement objectives of the proposed 2021 LRDP EIR include the following:

- Serve as good stewards of limited campus lands and natural resources as UCR continues to grow and accommodate enrollment projections of approximately 35,000 students
- Develop approximately 5.5 million gross square feet (gsf) of net new building space needed to accommodate student housing as well as academic and research facilities
- Maintain existing land-based research operations on West Campus, while supporting facility modernization, research support facilities growth, and strategic partnerships and initiatives
- Activate and enliven the East Campus through strategic mixed-use development, improved public spaces, expanded campus services, and additional on-campus housing to facilitate a living-learning campus environment
- Accommodate approximately 40 percent of eligible students with on-campus housing, and replace aging low-density student housing units while considering demand, affordability, financial feasibility, and physical site constraints

- Locate future growth generally adjacent to and outside of the campus loop road, thereby maintaining the character of the Mid-Century Modern Core
- Incorporate efficient planning and design practices in support of minimizing the effects of climate change

## **Project Characteristics**

The proposed 2021 LRDP identifies the physical resources required to achieve UCR's academic goals and to accommodate UCR's reasonably foreseeable projected growth. Project characteristics are discussed in detail in Section 2, *Project Description*. With directives from the UC system-wide initiatives and UCR Strategic Plan, the proposed 2021 LRDP contains an updated campus land use plan and planning principles for guiding future campus development under the plan. The UC Office of the President (UCOP) Facilities Manual recommends LRDPs address the following four primary elements: land use, open space, mobility, and infrastructure and sustainability.

The proposed 2021 LRDP would provide UCR with a framework to guide future growth and would serve as a guide for campus planners, faculty, and administrators through academic year 2035/2036. The proposed 2021 LRDP supports a projected enrollment growth to 35,000 students and 7,545 faculty and staff by Fall 2035 (a total campus population of 42,545). This projection is based on current student enrollment, regional growth trends, and agreements between the UC and the State regarding resident student and transfer student enrollment objectives. Additional information on these growth projections is included in Appendix B.

Development under the 2021 LRDP would primarily be infill development or expansion of already developed areas on the north portions of East Campus. A new interpretive center is programmatically assumed in the UCR Botanic Gardens designation on East Campus, but no new development is anticipated in the Open Space Reserve in East Campus. New development on West Campus would primarily occur within infill sites designated in the LRDP as Agricultural/Campus Research, Student Neighborhood, Campus Support, and University Avenue Gateway (refer to Figure 2-1).

UCR is considering the long-term (through 2035) demolition and potential redevelopment opportunities on-campus. For purposes of the EIR analysis, the areas of campus that UCR considers for demolition and potential redevelopment include, but are not limited to, the following: Boyden Labs; Fawcett Laboratory, Stored Product Insecticide Building; Lathhouses #1, #4, and #8; campus facilities along South Campus Drive (e.g., Genomics shed, Bio Control Building, Plant Drying Building, Herbarium, Botany Screenhouse, Storage Shed #6, Headhouse Storage Building, Growth Chamber Building, Glasshouse #51, Facilities Services Annex A, and College Building North and South), campus facilities east/west of East Campus Drive (e.g., Fawcett Laboratory, University Office Building, Campbell Hall, Facilities Services Annex B, Greenhouses #7-14, Greenhouses #18-21, Computing & Communications Center, and associated accessory structures), the Health Services Building, Bannockburn Village, the Plaza Apartments, Oban Apartments, Falkirk Apartments, the Corporation Yard, the softball and soccer fields, Advanced Neuroimaging Building (formerly FMRI), Costo Hall, and the Police Facility. Buildings considered for repurposing include Chapman Hall, Spieth Hall, Life Sciences, and Watkins Hall. Programs in these buildings would need to be relocated before any building is repurposed or demolished. The specific locations of these buildings within the UCR campus can be seen in Figure 3-4 and reviewed through the UCR Campus Map available at: https://campusmap.ucr.edu/.

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Section 2, *Project Description*, provides a detailed description of the proposed 2021 LRDP, including the project location and setting, major project components, project objectives, and approvals that may be necessary during implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP. Once certified, the 2021 LRDP EIR can be used to tier<sup>2</sup> subsequent environmental analyses for future UCR development projects that are programmatically consistent with the 2021 LRDP. A copy of the proposed 2021 LRDP is available at <a href="https://pdc.ucr.edu/environmental-planning-ceqa">https://pdc.ucr.edu/environmental-planning-ceqa</a>

## **Alternatives**

CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6, as amended, mandates that all EIRs include a comparative evaluation of the proposed plan with alternatives to the plan that can attain most of the plan's basic objectives but would avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the plan. CEQA requires an evaluation of a "range of reasonable" alternatives, including the "no project" alternative. The following provides brief descriptions of the alternatives evaluated in this EIR. See Section 6, *Alternatives*, for full details.

- Alternative 1: No Project
- Alternative 2: Reduced Development Program
- Alternative 3: Increased Student Housing
- Alternative 4: No Agricultural Land Development

Alternative 1 - No Project Alternative. The CEQA-required No Project Alternative would continue implementation of the 2005 LRDP per the CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(e)(3)(A). Planned development as expressed in the 2005 LRDP, primarily new academic/administrative space, would continue up to its planned capacity. This alternative would assume the same student enrollment growth (e.g., 10,000 new students) as projected in the proposed 2021 LRDP. Therefore, like with the proposed project, the 2035/2036 student body would still grow to approximately 35,000 students. This alternative would assume the same net new faculty and staff projections of approximately 2,800 new employees as projected in the proposed 2021 LRDP. Therefore, the 2035/2036 faculty and staff count would be approximately 7,545 employees. Under Alternative 1, the campus population in academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 42,545. This alternative assumes a bed count of up to 12,500 beds.

Additionally, the assumed maximum development would remain at approximately 14.9 million gross square feet (gsf), as permitted under the 2005 LRDP. In academic year 2018/2019, UCR had approximately 6.8 million gsf of development. Therefore, Alternative 1 would allow for an increase of approximately 8 million gsf of additional academic buildings, student housing, and support space development by the year 2035/2036.

**Summary of Alternative 1 - No Project Alternative.** This alternative would result in similar impacts to aesthetics, cultural resources, geology and soils, hydrology and water quality, recreation, utilities and service systems, and wildfire compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. However, this alternative would result in slightly greater/greater impacts to multiple environmental areas of concern, including agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, energy consumption, GHG emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, population and housing, public services, transportation, and TCR compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Tiering may include but may not be limited to a finding of exemption from further environmental review, an addendum, a supplemental EIR, or a subsequent EIR. In rare instances, a standalone CEQA document may be appropriate for future projects.

This alternative would not consolidate or densify new development generally adjacent to and outside of the campus loop road, nor would it definitively incorporate efficient planning and design practices in support of minimizing the effects of climate change.

Alternative 2 - Reduced Development Program Alternative. The Reduced Development Program Alternative would reduce net new campus population and net new development by 50 percent. The net increase in development would be approximately 1.85 million asf (approximately 2.75 million gsf) of additional academic buildings and support facilities rather than 3.7 million asf and 5.5 million gsf, respectively. Therefore, under Alternative 2, there would be a maximum of approximately 6.65 million asf (approximately 9.75 million gsf) of total academic, research, student housing, recreational facilities, and support space development by the year 2035/2036. It is reasonable to assume that less recreational facilities would be developed under this alternative since UCR would be limited in its development potential compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP.

Net new student enrollment for academic year 2035/2036 would be planned for 5,000 new students rather than 10,000. Therefore, the 2035/2036 student body would be approximately 30,000 students. Net new faculty and staff projections for academic year 2035/2036 would be planned for approximately 1,400 new employees rather than 2,800. Therefore, the 2035/2036 faculty and staff count would be approximately 6,200 employees. Under Alternative 2, the campus population in academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 36,200 rather than 42,545. However, reducing the UCR student population under Alternative 2 would not reduce overall demand for higher education, and would simply relocate students to other campuses.

Summary of Alternative 2 – Reduced Development Program Alternative. The Reduced Development Program Alternative would limit future enrollment growth on the campus as well as developed academic square footage, compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. For this reason, it would only partially achieve the underlying purpose of the proposed 2021 LRDP to support a projected enrollment growth based on current student enrollment, regional growth trends, and agreements between the UC and the State regarding resident student and transfer student enrollment objectives.

This alternative would result in slightly less/less impacts to multiple environmental areas of concern, including biological resources, energy consumption, GHG emissions, noise, transportation, and utilities and service systems compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. Impacts to aesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, cultural resources, energy consumption, geology and soils, GHG emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation, TCR, and wildfire would be similar compared to the proposed LRDP. Impacts to recreation could be slightly greater than compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP.

This alternative would not develop the net new building space needed to accommodate projected student housing or academic and research facilities needs projections based on current student enrollment, regional growth trends, and agreements between the UC and the State of California regarding resident student and transfer student enrollment objectives. Furthermore, it is logical to assume the restriction of student and facility growth at UCR would result in required growth at other UC and university/college campuses throughout California, which could result in regional or localized impacts at those campuses.

**Alternative 3 - Increased Student Housing Alternative.** This alternative would not alter the components of the proposed 2021 LRDP, but rather would increase the student bed capacity to provide housing for 60 percent of the eligible student body capacity rather than 40 percent under

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the proposed 2021 LRDP. This would result in a doubling of the proposed new campus beds, which would represent a new increase of approximately 14,978 new campus beds, rather than 7,489 under the proposed 2021 LRDP. Under Alternative 3, the campus bed count in academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 21,500 rather than 14,000 under the proposed 2021 LRDP.

Under Alternative 3, net new development would still total up to 3.7 million asf (5.5 million gsf), with a maximum buildout of approximately 8.5 million asf (approximately 12.7 million gsf). It is reasonable to assume that more of the developable square footage would be used for student housing under this alternative rather than student support, academic, or recreation space. The net new student enrollment for academic year 2035/2036 would be planned for 10,000 new students (35,000 total students). Net new faculty and staff projections for academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 2,800 new employees (7,545 total employees). Under Alternative 3, the campus population in academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 42,545.

**Summary of Alternative 3 – Increased Student Housing Alternative.** The Increased Student Housing Alternative would increase the student bed capacity to provide housing for 60 percent of the eligible student body capacity rather than 40 percent compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. Net new campus population and square footage under this alternative would be the same as the proposed 2021 LRDP.

This alternative would result in less impacts to air quality, fuel consumption, GHG emissions from Scope 3 sources, population and housing, and transportation compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. Impacts to aesthetics, agricultural resources, biological resources, cultural resources, energy consumption, geology and soils, GHG emissions from Scope 1 and Scope 2 sources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, public services, recreation, TCR, and wildfire would be similar compared to the proposed LRDP. Impacts to noise and utilities and service systems could be greater than compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP.

Alternative 4 - No Agricultural Land Development Alternative. This alternative would maintain prime agricultural lands for land-based research. Under the proposed 2021 LRDP, there are nearly 394 acres of prime agricultural lands (i.e., State-designated Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance) located on West Campus in areas designated as Agricultural/Campus Research or Land-based Research. There are approximately 12.2 acres of prime agricultural land on East Campus concentrated near the eastern campus boundary at the USDA Salinity Laboratory. Under Alternative 4, all prime agricultural lands on West Campus and East Campus would be designated for land-based research opportunities with no secondary uses allowed, or remain as open space. More specifically, the 2021 LRDP designations for Agricultural/Campus Research, Student Neighborhood, and the agricultural portions of the "Campus Support" would be designated with "Land-based Research" designations.

Under Alternative 4, net new development would still total up to 3.7 million asf (5.5 million gsf), with a maximum buildout of approximately 8.5 million asf (approximately 12.7 million gsf), and the net new student enrollment for academic year 2035/2036 would be planned for 10,000 new students (35,000 total students). Net new faculty and staff projections for academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 2,800 new employees (7,545 total employees). Under Alternative 3, the campus population in academic year 2035/2036 would be approximately 42,545.

**Summary of Alternative 4 – No Agricultural Land Development Alternative.** The No Agricultural Land Development Alternative would result in the same net new campus population and square footage as the proposed 2021 LRDP. This alternative would maintain approximately 406 acres of prime agricultural lands for land-based research or open space.

This alternative would result in less impacts to agricultural resources compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP. Impacts to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy consumption, geology and soils, GHG emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation, TCR, utilities and service systems and wildfire would be similar compared to the proposed LRDP. Impacts related to noise could be slightly greater than compared to the proposed 2021 LRDP.

## **Environmentally Superior Alternative**

Based on the analysis discussed in Section 6, *Alternatives*, Alternative 1 (No Project Alternative) would not be considered the environmentally superior alternative as it would not reduce any of the significant adverse impacts, and it would result in greater impacts related agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, energy, GHG emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, population and housing, public services, transportation, and TCR. All other impacts areas would be similar to those under the proposed 2021 LRDP.

There are different tradeoffs for each alternative (e.g. local versus regional impacts), which are dependent upon the specific resource areas. Individuals and the decision-makers may weigh these resource areas differently. Alternative 3 would result in fewer impacts to areas found to be significant and unavoidable under the proposed 2021 LRDP — air quality and transportation, and while impacts related to noise would be greater under this alternative due to the increase in students living on-campus (i.e. increase number of sensitive receptors), the decrease in the other areas of concern (fuel consumption, GHG emissions for Scope 3 sources, and population and housing) are found to be of greater local and regional value. Furthermore, although impacts related to utilities and service systems under this alternative would be greater than the proposed 2021 LRDP, they would remain less than significant, as was concluded for proposed 2021 LRDP. Therefore, the Increase Student Housing Alternative, is considered the environmentally superior alternative.

## Areas of Known Controversy/Issues to be Resolved

UCR circulated a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of the EIR for a 30-day public review period starting on July 7, 2020 and ending on August 6, 2020. UCR distributed the NOP to the State Clearinghouse, responsible agencies, and other interested parties. UCR held a virtual EIR Public Scoping Meeting on July 29, 2020 to provide information about the proposed 2021 LRDP and the CEQA process to members of public agencies, interested stakeholders, and residents/community members.

UCR received comments during the Public Scoping Meeting, via email, and by letter, from five public agencies, one Native American tribe, and one individual. Appendix A of this EIR presents the NOP and all comments received during the 30-day review period. Table ES-1 summarizes the comments received during the public scoping period.

Table ES-1 NOP Comments

Commenter	Comment/Request	
Federal/State Agency Comments		
Native American Heritage Commission	States that the proposed project is subject to the requirements and provisions under Assembly Bill (AB) 52 for tribal cultural resources	
Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians	Reiterates their engagement in government-to-government consultation	
	States concern regarding impacts to tangible tribal cultural resources	

Commenter	Comment/Request
Regional/Local Agency Comments	
City of Riverside Planning Division	The City recommends an analysis of impacts to agricultural lands under Agricultural and Forestry Resources criterion (b)
	States that per Section 21048.1 and 15064.5(a)(2) of CEQA structures need to be analyzed for local listing as well as national and state
	States that most of the campus in located in Zone E of the March Air Reserve Base/Inland Port Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan
	States concerns regarding the need for off-campus housing due to increased campus population
City of Riverside, Public Works Department	Requests that the City's Traffic Engineering Division be given the opportunity to review the Traffic Impact Analysis and that it adheres to the City's Traffic Impact Analysis guidelines
Riverside Public Utilities Department (RPU)	RPU/Water initially advised that a Water Supply Assessment would be needed. However, subsequent correspondence from RPU dated April 16, 2021 removed this suggestion, after UCR noted that it is not a "City or county" under Water Code Section 10910.
	RPU/Electric acknowledges anticipated impacts to City electrical services.
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department	Requests that the Gage Canal Trail project through UCR campus be included in the 2021 LRDP and EIR at a programmatic level and further states that inclusion of the Gage Canal Trail in the 2021 LRDP would assis the City in leveraging grants
Fire Prevention	Acknowledges working closely with the UCR Fire Marshal since 2016 and indicates that concerns have been expressed related to current and new development
	States that the City of Riverside Fire Prevention Division have been involved with all new project submittals by the UCR Fire Marshal (since 2016) and realizes that the campus will continue to grow with more students and additional buildings
	Requests that the City of Riverside Fire Department management team and the [lead agency] have another discussion regarding placing a new fire station on or near the UCR campus as part of the LRDP, to ensure public safety is always a priority so [the City of Riverside Fire Department can continue to support any future development near or on the campus at all times
Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District	States the 2021 LRDP would not be impacted by District Master Drainage Plan facilities, nor are other facilities of regional interest proposed
	States an encroachment permit shall be obtained for any construction related activities occurring within its right-of-way or facilities, namely, Bo Springs Storm Drain or University Wash Spruce Street Storm Drain
	States, generally, that [projects under the 2021 LRDP] may require a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit(s) from the State Water Resources Control Board
	States, generally, that if [projects under the 2021 LRDP] involve a Federal Emergency Management Agency mapped floodplain, then the [lead agency] should require all studies, calculations, plans, and other information required to meet Federal Emergency Management Agency requirements and should further require the obtainment of a Conditiona Letter of Map Revision prior to grading, recordation, or other final approval of the project(s) and a Letter of Map Revision prior to occupance

Commenter	Comment/Request
	States, generally, that if a natural watercourse or mapped floodplain is impacted by [projects under the 2021 LRDP], the [lead agency] should require obtainment of a Section 1602 Agreement for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and a Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or written correspondence from these agencies indicating the project is exempt from these requirements and a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification may be required from the local California Regional Water Control Board prior to issuance of the Corps 404 permit
Riverside Transit Agency	Acknowledges receipt and review of the NOP and states they have no comments
South Coast Air Quality Management District	Recommends use of CEQA Air Quality Handbook for guidance in preparing air quality analysis and use CalEEMod for analysis
	Requests construction-related and operation-related air quality analysis, including impacts from indirect sources
	Requests calculation of regional and localized air quality impacts and comparison to SCAQMD thresholds
	Requests mitigation measures to minimize or eliminate significant adverse impacts to air quality
Public Comments	
Kevin Dawson	Concerns related to the aesthetic impacts, primarily lighting, as well as concerns related to the public safety at parking structures and other tall buildings, primarily related to suicide prevention measures

The issues raised in the NOP comments were considered in preparing the scope and content of the Draft EIR. The Regents will also need to decide whether to approve or deny the proposed 2021 LRDP, an alternative, or a variation thereof, and decide whether to adopt the mitigation measures as proposed.

## Summary of Impacts and Mitigation Measures

Table ES-2 lists the environmental impacts of the proposed 2021 LRDP, mitigation measures, and residual impacts (the impact after application of mitigation, if required). Impacts are categorized as follows:

- **Significant and Unavoidable.** An impact that cannot be reduced to below the threshold level given reasonably available and feasible mitigation measures. Such an impact requires a Statement of Overriding Considerations to be issued if the proposed 2021 LRDP is approved, per Section 15093 of the CEQA Guidelines.
- Less than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated. An impact that can be reduced to below the
  identified impact threshold level if proposed mitigation measures are adopted. If proposed
  mitigation measures are not adopted, such impacts would be significant and unavoidable. Such
  an impact requires findings under Section 15091 of the CEQA Guidelines.
- Less than Significant. An impact that may be adverse but does not exceed the established identified threshold level and does not require mitigation measures is less than significant.
- **No Impact.** The proposed 2021 LRDP would have no effect on environmental conditions or would reduce existing environmental problems or hazards.

Table ES-2 Summary of Environmental Impacts, Mitigation Measures, and Residual Impacts

mpacts	Mitigation Measure (s)	Residual Impacts
Aesthetics		
mpact AES-1. Development under the proposed 2021 LRDP could block or impede views of scenic vistas, namely views of the Box Springs Mountains. Impacts would be significant and unavoidable.	No feasible mitigation measure	Significant and unavoidable
mpact AES-2. Development under the proposed 2021 LRDP would include construction of new facilities and green space on the UCR campus and renovations of existing structures. Physical changes would not degrade the visual character of the campus or surrounding areas. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact AES-3. Implementation of the proposed 2021  LRDP would lead to more intensive development on the campus and new sources of nighttime illumination at adjacent sensitive receptors. Future development would be required to comply with UCR Campus Construction and Design Standards and California colicies and standards specifically designed to reduce lighting impacts. Adherence to these policies and standards as well as incorporation of mitigation measures would reduce light and glare impacts to a ess-than-significant level.	<ul> <li>MM AES-1. UCR shall incorporate site-specific consideration of the orientation of the building, use of landscaping materials, lighting design, and choice of primary façade materials to minimize potential off-site spillover of lighting and glare from new development. As part of this measure and prior to project approval, UCR shall require the incorporation of site- and project-specific design considerations (to be included in the lighting plans) to minimize light and glare, including, but not limited to, the following:         <ul> <li>New outdoor lighting adjacent to on-campus residences and adjacent off-campus sensitive uses shall utilize directional lighting methods with full cutoff type light fixtures (and shielding as applicable) to minimize glare and light spillover.</li> <li>All elevated light fixtures such as in parking lots, parking structures, and athletic fields shall be shielded to reduce glare.</li> <li>Provide landscaped buffers where on-campus student housing, uses identified as Open Space Reserve and UCR Botanic Gardens, and off-campus residential neighborhoods might experience noise or light from UCR activities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

Impacts	<ul> <li>Mitigation Measure (s)</li> <li>All lighting shall be consistent with the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) Lighting Handbook.</li> <li>The UCR Planning, Design, &amp; Construction staff shall review all exterior lighting design for conformance with the Campus Design and Construction Standards.</li> <li>Verification of inclusion in project design shall be provided at the time of design review and lighting plans shall be reviewed and approved prior to project-specific design and construction document approval.</li> <li>MM AES-2. Ingress and egress from new parking areas and parking structures shall be designed and situated to direct vehicular headlights away from adjacent residential uses, as necessary. Walls, landscaping, or</li> </ul>	Residual Impacts  Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	other light barriers and shielding will be provided where appropriate. Site plans shall be reviewed and approved as part of project-specific design and construction document approval.	
Agricultural Resources		
Impact AG-1. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would result in the conversion of Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland) to non-agricultural use. No mitigation is sufficient to substantially reduce impact. Therefore, impacts would be significant and unavoidable.	UCR has already implemented an agricultural conservation easement program (CVARS). There are no additional feasible mitigation measures.	Significant and unavoidable
Air Quality		
Impact AQ-1. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would not generate population, housing, or employment growth exceeding forecasts in the 2016 AQMP. Therefore, impacts would be less than significant.	None required	Less than significant

Impacts	Mitigation Measure (s)	Residual Impacts
<b>Impact AQ-2.</b> Construction of the proposed 2021 LRDP would generate ROG and $NO_X$ in quantities that exceed SCAQMD significance thresholds. Operation would exceed SCAQMD thresholds for ROG, $NO_X$ , and $PM_{10}$ . Following mitigation, this impact would be significant and unavoidable.	See MM GHG-1	Significant and unavoidable
Impact AQ-3. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would not expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations from CO hotspots or TACs. impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation would be required.	None required	Less than significant
Biological Resources		
Impact BIO-1. Implementation of the 2021 LRDP would result in direct or indirect impacts to special-status species. Mitigation measures MM BIO-1a through MM BIO-8, including preconstruction surveys, avoidance measures, and project design standards, would reduce impacts to less than significant.	Prior to construction activities, preconstruction presence/absence surveys for burrowing owls shall be conducted in the project survey area where suitable habitat is present prior to ground disturbance in new areas. Preconstruction surveys shall be conducted by a qualified biologist no more than 30 days prior to grading or other significant site disturbance. Surveys shall include the development footprint and consider up to a 500-foot buffer of adjacent areas to the extent feasible (e.g. a visual survey of adjacent areas will suffice for off-site areas not accessible). The surveys shall be conducted in accordance with the MSHCP burrowing owl survey guidelines. A burrow shall be considered occupied when there is confirmed use by burrowing owls based on observations made by a qualified biologist. If owls are not found to be occupying habitat in the survey area during the preconstruction survey, the proposed disturbance activities may proceed. Take of active nests shall be avoided.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

Impacts	Mitigation Measure (s)	Residual Impacts
	<ul> <li>MM BIO-1B Burrowing Owl Avoidance Measures.</li> <li>If owls are discovered on and/or within 500 feet of the proposed project site, avoidance measures shall be developed by the qualified biologist in compliance with the MSHCP and in coordination with the CDFW and/or RCA. Such measures will include, but not limited to, the following:</li> <li>Burrowing owls shall not be disturbed on-site and/or within a 500-foot buffer or as determined by a biologist between February 1 and August 31 to avoid impacting nesting.</li> <li>Prior to any ground disturbance, all limits of project construction shall be delineated and marked to be clearly visible to personnel on foot and in heavy equipment. All construction-related activities shall occur inside the limits of construction and designated staging areas. Construction staging and equipment storage shall be situated outside of any occupied burrowing owl burrow locations. All construction-related movement shall be restricted to the limits of construction and staging areas.</li> <li>Avoidance measures shall include passive relocation by a qualified biologist to remove the owls between September 1 and January 31, which is outside of the typical nesting season.</li> </ul>	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	MM BIO-2 Nesting Bird Avoidance.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	Prior to issuance of grading permits, the following measures shall be implemented:	
	■ To avoid disturbance of nesting and special-status bird species protected by the MBTA and California Fish and Game Code, activities related to the project, including but not limited to, vegetation removal, ground disturbance, and construction and demolition shall occur outside of the bird breeding season (February 15 through August 31). If construction must be initiated during the peak nesting season, vegetation removal and/or tree	

removal should be planned to occur outside the nesting season (September 1 to February 14), and a preconstruction nesting bird survey shall be conducted no more than 3 days prior to initiation of construction activities. The nesting bird preconstruction survey shall be conducted on foot inside the project site disturbance areas. If an active avian nest is discovered during the preconstruction clearance survey, construction activities shall stay outside of a 50- to 200-foot buffer for common nesting birds around the active nest, as determined by a biologist. For listed and raptor species, this buffer shall be expanded to 500 feet or as determined by a biologist.

- Inaccessible areas shall be surveyed from afar using binoculars to the extent practical. The survey shall be conducted by a qualified biologist familiar with the identification of avian species known to occur in western Riverside County. If nests are found, an appropriate avoidance buffer shall be determined by a qualified biologist and demarcated by a qualified biologist with bright orange construction fencing, flagging, construction lathe, or other means to mark the boundary. Effective buffer distances are highly variable and based on specific project stage, bird species, stage of nesting cycle, work type, and the tolerance of a particular bird pair. The buffer may be up to 500 feet in diameter, depending on the species of nesting bird found and the biologist's observations.
- If nesting birds are located adjacent to the project site with the potential to be affected by construction activity noise above 60 dBA Leq (see Section 4.11, Noise, for definitions and discussion of noise levels), a temporary noise barrier shall be erected consisting of large panels designed specifically to be deployed on construction sites for reducing noise levels at sensitive receptors. If 60 dBA Leq is exceeded, an acoustician would require

the construction contractor to make operational and barrier changes to reduce noise levels to 60 dBA during the breeding season (February 15 through August 31). Noise monitoring shall occur during operational changes and installation of barriers to ensure their effectiveness. All construction personnel shall be notified as to the existence of the buffer zone and to avoid entering the buffer zone during the nesting season. No parking, storage of materials, or construction activities shall occur within this buffer until the avian biologist has confirmed that breeding/nesting is completed, and the young have fledged the nest. Encroachment into the buffer shall occur only at the discretion of the qualified biologist, if it is determined such encroachment will not adversely impact the nesting birds.

#### MM BIO-3 Bird Strike Avoidance.

To reduce bird strike mortality and injury of specialstatus bird species from collisions with clear and reflective sheet glass and plastic, construction of glassfronted buildings or other structures using exposed glass (e.g., glass-topped walls) shall incorporate measures to minimize the risk of bird strikes. This may include: (1) the use of opaque or uniformly textured/patterned/etched glass, (2) angling of glass downward so that the ground instead of the surrounding habitat or sky is reflected, (3) installation of one-way film that results in opaque or translucent covering when viewed from either side of the glass, (4) installation of a uniformly dense dot pattern created as ceramic frit on both sides of the glass, and/or (5) installation of a striped or grid pattern of clear ultraviolet-reflecting and ultraviolet-absorbing film applied to both sides of the glass. It should be noted that single decals (e.g., falcon silhouettes or large eye patterns) are ineffective and are not recommended

Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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	unless the entire glass surface is uniformly covered with the objects or patterns.	
	MM BIO-4 Bat Preconstruction Survey.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	To avoid disturbance of special-status bat species during maternity season (approximately March-September), a preconstruction roosting bat survey shall be conducted by a qualified bat biologist on potential roost structures identified by the bat biologist and mature vegetation no more than 30 days prior to initiation of construction activities if construction activities must occur during the roosting season. If future projects would impact rocky outcrops, mature vegetation, existing buildings, or other structures that could be used for roosting, a passive acoustic survey shall identify the species using the area for day/night roosting. If special-status roosting bats are present and their roosts would be impacted, a qualified bat biologist should prepare a plan to identify the proper exclusionary methods. Removal of mature trees should be monitored by a qualified bat biologist and occur by pushing down the entire tree (without trimming or limb removal) using heavy equipment and leaving the felled tree on the ground untrimmed and undisturbed for a period of at least 24 hours. To exclude bats from buildings/structures or rocky outcrops, exclusion measures should be installed on crevices by placing one-way exclusionary devices that allow bats to exit but not enter the crevice.	
	MM BIO-5 Special-Status Species Preconstruction Survey.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	Focused surveys for special-status plants and wildlife species with potential to occur in or around the project site shall be conducted prior to impacts on areas of suitable habitat for each respective species, including special-status plant species, Riverside fairy shrimp, burrowing owl, coastal California gnatcatcher, and least Bell's vireo. Surveys shall be performed by a qualified	

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Impacts	biologist with the appropriate federal/State permits, if necessary, and follow approved survey protocol, which includes appropriate timing of surveys. If listed species are observed and habitat areas cannot be avoided, then consultation/permitting would be required to obtain take authorization. Appropriate avoidance, minimization, and compensatory mitigation shall be required for each listed species that could be impacted.	nesiduai impacts
	MM BIO-6A Sensitive Communities Indirect Impact Avoidance – Construction.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	The following measure shall be required for construction activities that are proposed adjacent to the Open Space Reserve or lands supporting sensitive vegetation communities and/or biological resources:	
	Prior to commencement of clearing or grading activities, fencing (e.g., silt fencing, orange construction fencing, and/or chain-link fencing as determined by campus planning) shall be installed around the approved limits of disturbance to prevent errant disturbance of sensitive biological resources by construction vehicles or personnel. All movement of construction contractors, including ingress and egress of equipment and personnel, shall be limited to designated construction zones. This fencing shall be removed upon completion of all construction activities.	
	No temporary storage or stockpiling of construction materials shall be allowed in Open Space Reserve lands, and all staging areas for equipment and materials shall be located at least 50 feet where space permits on the site, or less as determined appropriate by a qualified biologist from the edge of	

these areas. This prohibition shall not be applied to facilities that are planned to traverse Open Space Reserve lands (e.g., trails and utilities). Staging areas and construction sites in proximity to the Open Space Reserve lands shall be kept free of trash,

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	refuse, and other waste; no waste dirt, rubble, or trash shall be deposited in these areas.	
	<ul> <li>Appropriate setbacks or barriers (e.g., fencing) shall be implemented to minimize human activity impacts. Buffer areas shall be vegetated with native species to help screen these indirect effects.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Active construction areas shall be sprayed with water periodically to minimize dust.</li> </ul>	
	Equipment to extinguish small brush fires (e.g., from trucks or other vehicles) shall be present on-site during all phases of project construction activities, along with personnel trained in the use of such equipment. Smoking shall be prohibited in construction areas adjacent to flammable vegetation.	
	■ Temporary night lighting shall not be used during construction unless determined to be absolutely necessary (e.g., time sensitive construction activities). If night lighting is necessary, lights shall be directed away from sensitive vegetation communities and lands designated as Open Space Reserve and shielded to minimize temporary lighting of the surrounding habitat.	
	MM BIO-6B Sensitive Communities Indirect Impact Avoidance – Operation.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	The following measure shall be required for operation activities adjacent to the Open Space Reserve or lands supporting sensitive vegetation communities and/or biological resources:	
	<ul> <li>Landscaping adjacent to Open Space Reserve lands shall comply with the following requirements to prevent the introduction of invasive species:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Appropriate landscaping shall be selected based on the vegetation communities in the portion of the Open Space Reserve adjacent to the project. In areas supporting native (or disturbed native)</li> </ul>	

vegetation communities, revegetation of impacted slopes shall be with appropriate native plant materials.

- Permanent lighting in or adjacent to Open Space Reserve lands shall be selectively placed, shielded, and directed to minimize potential impacts to sensitive species. In addition, lighting from buildings or parking lots/structures abutting Open Space Reserve lands shall be shielded and/or screened by vegetation to the extent feasible.
- The following best management practices shall be implemented in Open Space Reserve lands and in areas that interface with Open Space Reserve lands to address runoff/water quality impacts from landscaping:
  - Integrated Pest Management principles (UC Integrated Pest Management Program) shall be implemented to the extent practicable for chemical pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers. Examples of such measures may include, but are not limited to, alternative weed/pest control measures (e.g., removal by hand) and proper application techniques (e.g., conformance to manufacturer specifications and legal requirements).
  - Irrigation for project landscaping shall be minimized and controlled through efforts such as designing irrigation systems to match landscaping water needs, using sensor devices to prevent irrigation during and after precipitation, and using automatic flow reducers/shut-off valves that are triggered by a decrease in water pressure from broken sprinkler heads or pipes.
- Barriers (e.g., fencing or walls) and/or signage directing people away from sensitive vegetation communities and habitat shall be installed on

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	long-term success of the mitigation site, or through mitigation banking or an in-lieu fee program, where liability for project success is transferred to a third party (i.e., a mitigation bank or an in-lieu fee sponsor). For permittee responsible mitigation, preparation of a Habitat Mitigation Monitoring Plan may be required.	
	MM BIO-8 MSHCP Conservation Area Construction Noise Reduction.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	The following measures shall be followed during construction of projects adjacent to MSHCP conservation areas (i.e., Criteria Cell 634):	
	Staging Area. Provide staging areas on-site to minimize off-site transportation of heavy construction equipment. These areas shall be located to maximize the distance between activity and MSHCP conservation areas. This should reduce noise levels associated with most types of idling construction equipment.	
	<ul> <li>Avoid Operating Equipment Simultaneously.</li> <li>Whenever possible, ensure that construction activities are scheduled to avoid operating several pieces of equipment simultaneously, which causes high noise levels.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Inspections. The contractor shall inspect construction equipment to ensure that such equipment is in proper operating condition and fitted with standard factory silencing features.</li> <li>Construction equipment shall utilize all standard factory silencing features, such as equipment mufflers, enclosures, and barriers.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Newest Power Construction Equipment. The newest available power construction equipment with standard recommended noise shielding and muffling devices shall be used.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mufflers. During project grading and construction, all equipment, fixed or mobile, shall be operated with closed engine doors and shall be equipped</li> </ul>	

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Impact BIO-2. Construction and operation of projects developed under the proposed 2021 LRDP would potentially have substantial adverse effects on riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community. Implementation of Mitigation Measures MM BIO-6A, MM BIO-6B, and MM BIO-7 would reduce impacts to less than significant.	recommended strategies to reduce and/or eliminate diesel idling.  See:  MM BIO-6A Sensitive Communities Indirect Impact Avoidance – Construction  MM BIO-6B Sensitive Communities Indirect Impact Avoidance – Operation  MM BIO-7 Sensitive Vegetation Communities Mitigation	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
Impact BIO-3. The proposed 2021 LRDP may result in significant adverse effects on State- and federally-protected wetlands. Mitigation Measure MM BIO-9 would require a jurisdictional delineation, and consultation and permitting with appropriate State and federal agencies, which would reduce impacts to less than significant.	MM BIO-9 Jurisdictional Delineation of Waters and Wetlands.  During the project planning process, if a project has vegetation mapped as potential wetlands or the project site contains or is located immediately adjacent to a natural drainage course, a qualified biologist shall conduct a jurisdictional delineation. The jurisdictional delineation shall use current regulatory guidance to identify the presence of potential regulated waters and wetlands in the project vicinity. If there is potential for the project to adversely affect wetlands or waters, UCR	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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	shall conduct a pre-application meeting with appropriate agencies (USACE, the RWQCB, and/or the CDFW) prior to submittal of permit applications to discuss existing conditions, to confirm the agency's jurisdiction over water resources in the survey area, to discuss impacts to these resources that would result from the project, and to discuss the regulatory permitting process.  Following the pre-application meeting, UCR shall prepare and process appropriate permits, which may include a Section 404 Permit, a Section 401 Water Quality Certification, a Report of Waste Discharge, and/or a CDFW Section 1602 Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration. If there is potential for the project to adversely affect wetlands or waters, impacts shall be avoided and minimized during the project design process, to the extent practicable, and unavoidable impacts shall be mitigated as discussed with each regulatory agency on a project-by-project basis and pursuant to applicable wetland permit conditions.	
	Compensatory mitigation may include restoration (i.e., re-establishment or rehabilitation), establishment (i.e., creation), enhancement, and/or preservation of jurisdictional resources. Compensatory mitigation may occur through permittee-responsible mitigation, payment to an in-lieu fee program, or purchase of compensatory mitigation credits from an approved mitigation bank. Mitigation ratios (i.e., the amount of mitigation acreage compared to the amount of impacted habitat) shall be negotiated with each regulatory agency on a project-by-project basis.	
Impact BIO-4. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not locate substantial development near MSHCP conservation areas with potential for wildlife movement or native nursery sites, and impacts would be less than significant.	None required	Less than significant

#### **Cultural Resources**

Impact CUL-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP would adversely affect historical resources through the full and partial demolition of historical resources, renovation/rehabilitation of historical resources, and new construction adjacent to historical resources. This impact would be significant and unavoidable. Following mitigation, impacts would still be significant and unavoidable.

#### MM CUL-1 Protection of Historical Resources.

For purposes of MM CUL-1, "major exterior alterations"

indicates a significant alteration/change to the exterior

character-defining features or setting of a building or

structure. Such projects might include, but not be limited to, additions, partial or complete demolition, relocation, window frame replacement different from existing, modifications to wall sheathing materials, changes to the roof shape, pitch, eaves, and other features, installment of wheelchair access ramps, and/or changes to the overall design configuration and composition of the building and the spatial relationships that define it. Major exterior alterations would require consultation to determine if these alterations noted above constitutes a major exterior alteration requiring further review from an architectural historian or whether the proposed alterations would qualify as a minor exterior alteration. For purposes of MM CUL-1, "minor exterior alterations" indicates a minor alteration/change to the exterior of a building or structure and its setting that would not be likely to significantly alter its appearance. Such projects might include, but not be limited to, repainting, in-kind landscaping or hardscaping replacement, window pane replacement, reversible installation of HVAC units that does not obstruct or destroy character-defining features, installation of fencing, signage, or artwork that does not obstruct or destroy character-defining features. Minor exterior alterations are exempt from further review from an architectural historian. During project-specific environmental review of development under the proposed 2021 LRDP, UCR shall define the project's area of effect for historic buildings and structures as early as possible. UCR shall implement the following procedures:

Significant and unavoidable

- Conduct project-specific surveys for buildings or structures (e.g., proposed for demolition, major exterior alterations, additions) that are 50 years of age or older that have (1) not been subject to an evaluation within the past 5 years, or (2) were not previously evaluated in the UCR Historic Resources Survey Report.
  - UCR shall retain a qualified architectural historian to record the property at professional standards and assess its significance under CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.4. The evaluation process shall include the historic context framework included in the UCR Historic Resources Survey Report as well as the development of additional background research as needed in order to assess the significance of the building, structure, district, or cultural landscape in the history of the UC system, the campus, and the region. For historic buildings, structures or features that do not meet the CEQA criteria as a historical resource, no further mitigation is required, and the impact would be less than significant.
  - The assessment of the potential historical resource and its character-defining features shall be documented on the appropriate California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms by a qualified architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (as codified in 36 CFR Part 61).
- For projects affecting any eligible historic buildings identified in the UCR Historic Resources Survey Report or determined to be eligible during the project-specific surveys, for a building or structure that qualifies for listing on the NRHP and/or CRHR, UCR shall implement the following procedures:

 For major exterior repairs (different from that of existing), alterations, or building additions of buildings that are eligible historic resources, UCR shall retain a qualified architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (as codified in 36 CFR Part 61) to conduct Character-Defining Features and Impacts Screening in coordination with the design team to consider project design features and/or measures that would enable the project to avoid direct or indirect impacts to the building or structure. Conclusion of the screening consultation process shall be documented in a memorandum, including a statement of compliance with the Secretary's Standards. The purpose of the memorandum shall document avoidance/reduction of significant adverse impacts to historical resources, where feasible, through (1) identifying and documenting character-defining features, noncontributing elements/additions, and (2) providing historic preservation project review and preliminary impacts analysis screening to UCR as early as possible in the design process. The memorandum shall review preliminary and/or conceptual project objectives early in the design process and describe various project options capable of reducing and/or avoiding significant adverse direct or indirect impacts through compliance with the Secretary's Standards and/or application of the State Historic Building Code or any subsequent design guidelines prepared by UCR for the treatment of historic resources.

If major modifications, renovations, or relocation of a determined historic resource is proposed and the project is unable to comply with the Secretary's

Standards or when a historic resource is to be demolished, then UCR shall ensure that documentation shall be carried out by a qualified architectural historian, as follows:

- UCR shall commission the preparation of HABS-like documentation of the building, structure, district, feature, and its associated landscaping and setting prior to construction activities. The HABS-like package will document in photographs and descriptive and historic narrative the historical resources slated for modification/demolition. Documentation prepared for the package will draw upon primary- and secondary-source research and available studies previously prepared for the project.
- The specifications for the HABS-like package follow:
  - Photographs: Photographic documentation will focus on the historical resources/features slated for demolition, with overview and context photographs for the campus and adjacent setting. Photographs will be taken of the building using a professional-quality single lens reflex (SLR) digital camera with a minimum resolution of 10 megapixels. Photographs will include context views, elevations/exteriors, architectural details, overall interiors, and interior details (if warranted). Digital photographs will be provided in electronic format.
  - Descriptive and Historic Narrative: The
    architectural historian will prepare descriptive
    and historic narrative of the historical
    resources/features slated for demolition.
    Physical descriptions will detail each resource,
    elevation by elevation, with accompanying
    photographs, and information on how the
    resource fits within the broader campus during
    its period of significance. The historic narrative

will include available information on the campus design, history, architect/contractor/designer as appropriate, area history, and historic context. In addition, the narrative will include a methodology section specifying the name of researcher, date of research, and sources/archives visited, as well as a bibliography. Within the written history, statements shall be footnoted as to their sources, where appropriate.

- Historic Documentation Package Submittal: The electronic package will be assembled by the architectural historian and submitted to UCR for review and comment.
- A copy of the HABS-like package shall be offered to the Special Collections and University Archives at the Tomás Rivera Library and the California Historical Resources Information System. The record shall be accompanied by a report containing site-specific history and appropriate contextual information. This information shall be gathered through site-specific and comparative archival research, and oral history collection as appropriate.
- If preservation and reuse at the site are not feasible, the historical building shall be documented as described above.

For new infill construction within the Mid-Century Modern Core Historic District that does not involve building demolition:

- Infill projects outside of the Mid-Century Modern Core Historic District would not need review by an architectural historian.
- Infill projects within the Mid-Century Modern Core
  Historic District will require review by an
  architectural historian for elements such as form,
  massing, and scale, to ensure visual compatibility
  with the historic district, and the review shall be
  conducted in compliance with the Secretary of the

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	Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (Weeks and Grimmer 1995).	
Impact CUL-2. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP has the potential to cause a significant impact on archaeological resources, including those that qualify as historical resources. This impact would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation.		Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	monitoring/tribal cultural/paleontological monitoring) may occur if the individual monitor meets the applicable qualifications, except for development in the southeastern quadrant as detailed above.	

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MM CUL-3 Construction Worker Training.  For projects requiring TCR/archaeological monitoring, the monitor shall provide preconstruction training for all earthmoving construction personnel prior to the start of any ground disturbing activities, regarding how to recognize the types of TCRs and/or archaeological resources that may be encountered and to instruct personnel about actions to be taken in the event of a discovery. UCR Planning, Design & Construction Project Manager/contractor shall retain documentation showing when training of personnel was completed.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated	
	MM CUL-4 Unanticipated Discovery of Tribal Cultural Resources/Archaeological Resources.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	If previously undiscovered TCRs and/or archaeological resources are identified during construction, all ground disturbing activities within 100 feet of the resource shall halt, UCR Planning, Design & Construction staff shall be notified, and the find shall be evaluated by a qualified archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior standards to determine whether it is a unique archaeological resource, as defined by CEQA. If the discovery appears to be Native American in origin, a tribal representative will be contacted within 24 hours of discovery to determine whether it is a TCR, as defined by CEQA. If the find is neither a unique archaeological resource nor a TCR, work may resume. If the find is determined to be a unique archaeological resource or TCR, the archaeologist and the tribal representative, as appropriate, shall make recommendations to UCR Planning, Design & Construction staff on the measures that will be implemented, including, but not limited to, preservation in place, excavation, relocation, and further evaluation of the discoveries pursuant to CEQA. Preservation in place (i.e., avoidance) is the preferred method of mitigation for impacts to TCRs/archaeological resources. If UCR determines that preservation in place is not feasible, the archaeologist	

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	shall design and implement a treatment plan, prepare a report, and salvage the material, as appropriate. Any important artifacts recovered during monitoring shall be cleaned, catalogued, and analyzed, with the results presented in a report of findings that meets professional standards. Work on-site may commence upon completion of any fieldwork components of the treatment plan.	
Impact CUL-3. Ground disturbance associated with development facilitated by the proposed 2021 LRDP has a low potential to disturb or damage known or unknown human remains. This impact would be less than significant with adherence to existing regulations.	None required	Less than significant
Energy		
Impact E-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP would consume electricity, natural gas, and fuel during construction and operation that would exceed the UCR 2018 per capita energy use and annualized regional 2018 per capita energy use threshold. Impacts would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation.	See MM GHG-1 Implement On-Campus GHG Emissions Reduction Measures (Measures EN-3 and EN-5)	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
Impact E-2. The construction and operation of new and renovated buildings under the proposed 2021 LRDP are required to comply with applicable State and UC energy policies and regulations. Accordingly, the 2021 LRDP would comply with CBC Title 24, SB 100, and the UC Sustainable Practices Policy and would not conflict with or obstruct applicable plans related to renewable energy and energy efficiency. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.	None required	Less than significant

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Geology and Soils		
Impact GEO-1. The campus is not located in an Alquist-Priolo Fault Zone and no fault lines traverse directly under the campus. However, there is potential for both earthquakes and ground shaking in the campus area, as well as associated ground failure and landslides. Projects under the proposed 2021 LRDP would be required to comply with CBC building requirements as well as the UC Seismic safety policy and UC Facilities Manual Seismic Program Guidelines. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact GEO-2. UCR is underlain by soils with low potential for liquefaction or other soil-related hazards. Furthermore, the older alluvium and bedrock that underlies large portions of the campus are non-liquefiable regardless of groundwater depth. Projects developed under the proposed 2021 LRDP would be required to comply with CBC building requirements as well as the UC Seismic safety policy. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact GEO-3. Reasonably foreseeable development under the 2021 LRDP could cause a substantial adverse change in or disturb known or unknown paleontological resources as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5. However, Mitigation Measures MM GEO-1 and MM GEO-2 would minimize potential impacts during excavation activities. Impacts to paleontological resources would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.	MM GEO-1 Inadvertent Discovery of Paleontological Resources.  If any paleontological resources are encountered during ground-disturbing activities, the contractor shall ensure that activities in the immediate area of the find are halted and that UCR is informed. UCR shall retain a qualified paleontologist to evaluate the discovery and recommend appropriate treatment options pursuant to guidelines developed by the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology, including development and implementation of a paleontological resource impact mitigation program by a qualified paleontologist for treatment of the particular resource, if applicable. These measures may include, but not limited to, the following:	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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	<ul> <li>Salvage of unearthed fossil remains and/or traces (e.g., tracks, trails, burrows)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Washing of screen to recover small specimens</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Preparation of salvaged fossils to a point of being ready for curation (e.g., removal of enclosing matrix, stabilization and repair of specimens, and construction of reinforced support cradles)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Identification, cataloging, curation, and provisions for repository storage of prepared fossil specimens</li> </ul>	
	MM GEO-2 Paleontological Resources Monitoring.  UCR shall implement the following measures if projects are proposing earth-moving activities exceeding 5 feet below previously undisturbed alluvial-fan soils within "high paleontological sensitivity" (i.e., Qof and Qvof):	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	Retain a qualified professional paleontologist to prepare and implement a Paleontological Resources Impact Mitigation Plan for the project. A qualified paleontologist is an individual who meets the education and professional experience standards as established by the SVP (2010), which recommends the paleontologist shall have at least a master's degree or equivalent work experience in paleontology, shall have knowledge of the local paleontology, and shall be familiar with paleontological procedures and techniques. The Paleontological Resources Impact Mitigation Plan shall describe mitigation recommendations in detail, including paleontological monitoring procedures; communication protocols to be followed in the event that an unanticipated fossil discovery is made during project development; and preparation, curation, and reporting requirements. Consolidated monitoring efforts (e.g., archaeological monitoring/tribal cultural/paleontological monitoring) may occur if	

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infrastructure on campus. In addition, UCR shall focus on energy optimization through the Central Plant control systems by automating manual processes and initiating an engineering study focused on transitioning away from natural gas use at the Central Plant.

 Measure EN2: In order to address on-campus natural gas combustion, starting in 2025 and continuing through 2035, UCR shall purchase biogas for at least 40 percent of the total on-campus natural gas usage.

### Global Warming Potential (GWP)

Measure GWP1: In order to reduce emissions from refrigerants used on campus, UCR shall phase out of high global warming potential chemical refrigerants on campus to achieve 100 percent relative carbon neutrality by 2045. This may include the replacement of chemical refrigerants with lower global warming potential in the interim of full phase out while an alternative technology is determined. Furthermore, UCR shall prohibit the use of equipment in new buildings or construction projects that do not utilize low global warming potential or Significant New Alternatives Policy Program accepted refrigerants.

#### Fuel (FL)

 Measure FL1: In order to decarbonize the campus vehicle fleet, UCR shall reduce emissions from the campus vehicle fleet by 25 percent by 2025, by 50 percent by 2030, and by 75 percent by 2035 through replacement of fleet vehicles with electric vehicles or low-emission alternative vehicles.

## Scope 2 (Electricity Consumption and Generation) Energy (EN)

 Measure EN3: UCR shall work to obtain 100 percent clean-sourced electricity through either Riverside
 Public Utilities (RPU) and/or through the installation

of on-site clean-sourced electricity sources for all new buildings by 2025. In addition, UCR shall establish annual budgets that include funding to purchase 100 percent clean-sourced energy. Furthermore, all newly constructed building projects, other than wet lab research laboratories, shall be designed, constructed, and commissioned to outperform the California Building Code (Title 24 portion of the California Code of Regulations) energy efficiency standards by at least 20 percent. Finally, UCR shall incorporate solar PV as feasibly possible for newly constructed and majorly-renovated buildings with the maximum system size, highest solar panel efficiency, and greatest system performance.<sup>3</sup>

- Measure EN4: In order to obtain electricity from 100 percent renewable source(s) for all existing buildings by 2045, UCR shall renegotiate its contractual agreement with RPU to establish a schedule and specific goals for obtaining 100 percent renewable electricity for the campus. In addition, UCR shall conduct an evaluation of existing buildings for structural suitability in terms of accommodating a solar photovoltaic system capacity with highest energy generation yield and for installing energy storage technology on campus and then installing such systems on identified buildings and facilities.
- Measure EN5 (Parts A, B, C): In order to prioritize energy efficiency and green building initiatives for building/facility upgrades and new construction as well as reduced energy use, UCR shall identify aging equipment throughout the campus such as equipment associated with the Central Plant, electrical distribution system, and building HVAC systems and develop a strategy and schedule to upgrade such equipment with high-energy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The EIR GHG modeling efforts assume that clean energy is in line with California-defined renewable sources.

efficiency systems and optimize HVAC systems through heat zoning, high-efficiency filters, and shut-down times expansion. The strategy shall include an evaluation and cost analysis related to upgrading/retrofitting equipment versus retirement of equipment if no longer needed with future initiatives (i.e., Central Plant boiler retirement). The schedule and upgrade strategy must meet a 2 percent energy efficiency improvement annually through 2035. In addition, UCR shall require new buildings to incorporate occupancy sensors and controls such that lighting of shared spaces is on occupancy sensors, building temperature set points are widened and aligned with occupancy schedules, and ventilation systems are converted from constant volume to variable so ventilation rates are occupancy-based. Furthermore, UCR shall develop a plan to identify existing buildings and projects that could undergo upgrades to the control systems and establish a schedule for upgrade incorporation. Finally, UCR shall develop a tracking program to monitor and share campus energy efficiency activities and progress towards increased energy efficiency.

Scope 3 (Waste Generation, Business Air Travel, Onsite Transportation, Water Consumption, Carbon Sequestration, and Construction)

Waste Generation (WG)

- Measure WG1: UCR shall implement and enforce SB 1383 organics and recycling requirements to specifically reduce landfilled organics waste to 75 percent by 2025.
- Measure WG2: UCR shall reduce campus waste sent to landfills 90 percent by 2025 and 100 percent by 2035. In addition, UCR shall reduce waste generation at campus events 25 percent by 2025 and 50 percent by 2035, with goals of being zero waste and plastic free events. Furthermore, UCR

shall establish purchasing and procurement policies and guidelines prioritizing vendors that limit packaging waste and purchase reusable and compostable goods.

### Transportation (TR)

- Measure TR1: In order to reduce GHG Emissions related to business air travel, UCR shall provide incentives to faculty for emission-reducing behaviors and utilizing travel options that are less carbon intensive, promote the use of virtual meetings, and encourage alternative forms of travel other than air travel.
- Measure TR2: UCR shall update the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program for the campus to decrease single occupancy vehicle VMT 5 percent by 2025 and 20 percent by 2035. In addition, UCR shall evaluate trends of current programs to expand on existing programs and establish new initiatives that utilize proven successful strategies.
- Measure TR3: UCR shall develop and implement a Campus Active Transportation Plan to shift 2 percent of baseline (2018) passenger vehicle VMT to active transportation by 2025 and 8 percent by 2035. In addition, UCR shall update the Campus Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Map every five years, including routes from off campus to on campus.
- Measure TR4: UCR shall reduce GHG emissions associated with campus commuting 10 percent by 2025 and 25 percent by 2035.

#### Water Consumption (WC)

 Measure WC1: UCR shall reduce per-capita water consumption 20 percent by 2025 and 35 percent by 2035 compared to academic year 2018/2019 per capita consumption.

#### Carbon Sequestration (CS)

 Measure CS1: UCR shall increase carbon sequestration through increasing tree planting and green space 5 percent by 2025 and 15 percent by 2035.

#### Construction (CR)

Measure CR1: UCR shall reduce constructionrelated GHG emissions on campus 10 percent by 2025 and 25 percent by 2035 through emission reduction controls and/or electric equipment requirements in line with contract obligations. Specifically, UCR shall require off-road dieselpowered construction equipment greater than 50 horsepower to meet the Tier 4 emission standards as well as construction equipment to be outfitted with BACT devices certified by CARB and emissions control devices that are no less than what could be achieved by a Level 3 diesel emissions control strategy for a similar-sized engine. In addition, UCR shall develop zero waste procurement guidelines and processes for campus construction projects and integrate into purchasing RFP language as part of campus procurement.

The UCR Office of Sustainability, Facilities Services, Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S), Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS), and/or Planning, Design & Construction (PD&C) shall annually monitor, track, and verify implementation of these GHG emissions reduction measures.

### MM GHG-2 Purchase Carbon Offsets to Achieve GHG Emissions Reduction Balance.

In order to achieve the necessary GHG emissions reduction balance after implementation of Mitigation Measure MM GHG-1 and in order to meet the UC Policy on Sustainable Practices and State targets, UCR shall annually track and purchase carbon offsets for the balance of GHG emissions after on-site reductions per

Mitigation Measure MM GHG-1 that still meet or exceed the UCR emissions targets by year.

UCR shall sequester funds for carbon offset purchases into a restricted account such that any/all uses shall directly reduce carbon emissions and address UCR goals. Prior to the purchase of carbon offsets, UCR shall research and purchase carbon offsets that are real, permanent, quantifiable, verifiable, enforceable, supported by substantial evidence, and additional to any GHG emission reduction otherwise required by law or regulation and any other GHG emission reduction that otherwise would occur under Mitigation Measure MM GHG-1.

If any changes occur with regard to implementation of on-campus GHG reduction measures as part of Mitigation Measure MM GHG-1, UCR shall adjust the purchase of carbon offsets accordingly and keep respective accounting records. UCR Office of Sustainability, Facilities Services, EH&S, and PD&C shall annually monitor, track, and verify purchase of the required carbon offsets.

As part of this mitigation measure, UCR shall make the following separate, though overlapping, GHG emission reduction commitment including maintaining compliance with carbon offset accreditation requirements under the CARB Cap-and-Trade Program. Any carbon credits obtained for the purpose of compliance with CARB's Cap-and-Trade Program shall be purchased from an accredited carbon credit market. Based on the current program as of 2021, such offset credits (or California Carbon Offsets) shall be registered with, and retired by an Offset Project Registry, as defined in 17 California Code of Regulations Section 95802(a), that is approved by CARB, such as, but not limited to, Climate Action Reserve (CAR), American Carbon Registry, and Verra (formerly Verified Carbon Standard), that is recognized by The Climate Registry, a

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	non-profit organization governed by U.S. states and Canadian provinces and territories.	
Impact GHG-2. The proposed 2021 LRDP GHG emissions during construction and operation are projected to exceed the State and UC-derived GHG emission thresholds. Therefore, the proposed 2021 LRDP would conflict with the goals of an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. However, this impact would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures.	See:  MM GHG-1 Implement On-Campus GHG Emissions Reduction Measures GHG-2 Purchase Carbon Offsets to Achieve GHG Emissions Reduction Balance	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
Hazards and Hazardous Materials		
mpact HAZ-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP could result in an increased use, transport, or disposal of hazardous materials during facility operations, which would be subject to federal, State, County, and UCR policies designed to minimize risk of endangerment to the campus population, the public, and the environment. Therefore, the routine use, transport, or disposal of nazardous materials would not create a significant nazard to the public or the environment and impacts would be less than significant.	None required	Less than significant
Impact HAZ-2. Operation of facilities and materials would be subject to federal, State, County, and UCR policies designed to minimize upset and accident conditions and would result in less than significant impacts related to significant hazards to the public or the environment. Facility construction and renovation under the proposed 2021 LRDP could disturb or emit hazardous material from impacted soil, soil vapor, or groundwater, which could emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste during reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions. Impacts would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation and mandatory compliance with existing regulations	MM HAZ 1 Property Assessment – Phase I and II ESAs.  During the pre-planning stage of campus projects on previously developed sites or on agricultural lands (current or historic), and in coordination with EH&S, UCR shall obtain documentation from EH&S or prepare a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) assessing the land use history of the proposed project site and identify potential hazardous materials concerns, including, but not limited to, fuel tanks, chemical storage, presence of elemental mercury, elevator pistons and associated hydraulic oil reservoirs and piping, heating-oil USTs, or agricultural uses. If the Phase I ESAs, or similar documentation, identify recognized environmental conditions or potential concern areas, a Phase II ESA would be conducted in	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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pertaining to the identification, handling, and disposing of hazardous materials.

coordination with EH&S to determine whether the soil, groundwater, and/or soil vapor has been impacted at concentrations exceeding regulatory screening levels for residential or commercial/industrial type land uses (as applicable). If the Phase II ESA concludes that the site is or may be impacted and could affect the planned development, assessment, remediation, or corrective action (e.g., removal of contaminated soil, in-situ treatment, capping, engineering controls) would be conducted prior to or during construction under the oversight of federal, State, and/or local agencies (e.g., US EPA, DTSC, RWQCB, RFD, RCDEH) and in full compliance with current and applicable federal and State laws and regulations. Additionally, Voluntary Cleanup Agreements may be used for parcels where remediation or long-term monitoring is necessary.

#### MM HAZ-2 Regulatory Agency UST Involvement.

Because the UCR campus includes abandoned in-place USTs and the potential for other unidentified hazardous material features to be present, UCR shall notify the RCDEH and RFD if the following situations occur:

- Soil disturbance, grading, or excavation are planned for areas where current USTs are present or former USTs were present, including:
  - One 6,000-gallon UST operated by Fleet Services located east of the Fleet Services office
  - One 6,000-gallon diesel, one 1,500-gallon gasoline, and one 300-gallon former USTs at the Ag Ops facility at 1060 Martin Luther King Boulevard
  - Four 6,000-gallon gasoline and one 550-gallon waste oil former USTs at the former Atlantic Richfield Oil Company service station at 1160 University Avenue
  - Five 20,000-gallon former diesel USTs at UCR Parking Lot #6

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- Two 7,000-gallon gasoline, one 3,000-gallon gasoline, and one 550 waste oil former USTs at the former Chevron service station at 1011 University Avenue
- Four former 10,000-gallon #6 heating-oil USTs at 3401 Watkins Drive – Abandoned in place in October 1998
- One 10,000-gallon gasoline, one 6,000-gallon gasoline, and one 500-waste oil former USTs at the UCR Fleet Service facility at 3401 Watkins Drive
- UCR Fleet Services RCDEH Permitted UST -3401 Watkins Drive
- UCR Steam Plant RCDEH Closed Leaking UST -3401 Watkins Drive
- Agricultural research support operations areas on the West Campus (e.g., fuel storage and dispensing, maintenance oils, and hazardous waste)
- Corporation Yard located north of West Linden
   Street on the East Campus
- UST, previously located at the Grounds
   Maintenance Facility along East Campus Drive
- 3.25-acre site on the UCR campus at 1060
   Martin Luther King Boulevard, listed as a DTSC
   Certified Operations and Maintenance Land Use
   Restrictions site as of December 15, 2010
- 1060 Martin Luther King Boulevard, a site listed as a closed Riverside County LOP case for three leaking USTs
- Identification of additional underground storage tanks and associated piping, or other underground features such as railroad spurs or ties, elevator pistons, stained or odorous soils, unknown piping, cisterns, wells, waste/burn pits, etc., if encountered

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	MM HAZ-4 Construction Site Management Plan.  If impacted soils are identified pursuant to activities conducted through Mitigation Measures MM HAZ-1, MM HAZ-2, or MM HAZ-3; or encountered during construction (soil disturbance), UCR shall prepare a Construction Site Management Plan (SMP) for the proposed redevelopment project area to address potential issues that may be encountered during redevelopment activities involving subsurface work. The Construction SMP objectives shall include:  Communicating information to proposed project construction workers about environmental conditions  Presenting measures to mitigate potential risks to the environment, construction workers, and other nearby receptors from potential exposure to hazardous substances that may be associated with unknown conditions or unexpected underground structures  Presenting protocols for management of known contaminated soil or groundwater encountered during construction activities  The Construction SMP shall identify the proposed project contacts, responsibilities, and notification requirements and outline the procedures for health and safety, soil management, contingency measures for discovery of unexpected underground structures, erosion, dust, and odor management, groundwater management, waste management, stormwater management, and written records and reporting. The Construction SMP shall be reviewed and approved by UCR prior to issuance of grading permits.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
Impact HAZ-3. Operation of facilities and materials would be subject to federal, State, County, and UCR policies designed to minimize hazardous emissions and spills and would result in less than significant impacts related to significant hazards to the public or the	See:  MM HAZ 1 Property Assessment – Phase I and II ESAs  MM HAZ-2 Regulatory Agency UST Involvement  MM HAZ-3 Regulatory Agency Subsurface  Involvement – DTSC	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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environment. Facility construction and renovation under the proposed 2021 LRDP could disturb or emit hazardous material from impacted soil, soil vapor, or groundwater, which could emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within 0.25 mile of an existing or proposed school. Impacts would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures and mandatory compliance with existing regulations pertaining to hazardous wastes and materials.	MM HAZ-4 Construction Site Management Plan	
Impact HAZ-4. The UCR campus includes several closed UST release sites (listed) and is located adjacent to a site with a restricted land use covenant. As a result, soil, soil vapor, and/or groundwater disturbance during construction could create a significant hazard to the public or the environment. Given the opportunity for contaminated soils to occur on the project site, project construction would potentially create a significant hazard to the public or the environment. Impacts would be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures.	See:  MM HAZ 1 Property Assessment – Phase I and II ESAs  MM HAZ-2 Regulatory Agency UST Involvement  MM HAZ-3 Regulatory Agency Subsurface Involvement – DTSC  MM HAZ-4 Construction Site Management Plan	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
Impact HAZ-5. The UCR campus is in the March Air Reserve Base/Inland Port ALUCP influence area, although in an area with low levels of noise and safety risk. Therefore, the proposed 2021 LRDP would not result in airport-related safety hazards and excessive noise impacts to people residing or working on the UCR campus, and impacts would be less than significant.	None required	Less than significant
Hydrology and Water Quality		
Impact HWQ-1. Construction and operation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would occur in compliance with applicable water quality standards and waste discharge requirements. In accordance with regulations and policies, a SWPPP would be implemented during construction activities and a SWMP would be implemented during operations, to provide on-site construction and post-construction prevention,	None required	Less than significant

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capture, and treatment of stormwater runoff, such that potential water quality impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.		
Impact HWQ-2. Potential impacts to groundwater supplies and recharge would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact HWQ-3. Construction and operation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would not alter the course of a stream or river and would not alter regional stormwater drainage patterns. Compliance with applicable regulations and policies, including implementation of a SWPPP during construction and a SWMP during operation, would provide sufficient onsite construction and post-construction prevention, capture, and treatment of stormwater runoff, and would minimize or avoid potentially adverse impacts such that they would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact HWQ-4. The proposed 2021 LRDP would implement water quality BMPs in accordance with applicable requirements, reducing potential downstream water quality impacts to ensure that the proposed 2021 LRDP would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the water quality control plan or a sustainable groundwater management plan. This impact would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.	None required	Less than significant

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#### Noise

Impact N-1. Construction equipment used during construction and mechanical equipment used during operation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would result in noise level increases that would exceed applicable noise thresholds, result in a significant impact. Mitigation measure MM N-1 would reduce construction noise levels to the extent feasible, but impacts would remain significant and unavoidable. Mitigation Measure MM N-2 would reduce operational noise levels to less than significant.

#### MM N-1 Construction Noise Reduction Measures.

To reduce construction noise levels to on-campus and off-campus noise sensitive receivers, UCR shall implement the following measures:

- Hours of exterior construction activities shall be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, as feasible, except under circumstances where such time limits are infeasible (e.g., for time sensitive construction work such as concrete pouring, excessive heat warnings/temperatures during the summer, operational emergencies). No exterior construction activities shall occur on federal holidays.
- Construction traffic shall follow routes so as to minimize the noise impact of this traffic on the surrounding community, to the greatest extent feasible.
- Contract specifications shall require that construction equipment be muffled or otherwise shielded. Contracts shall specify that engine-driven equipment be fitted with appropriate noise mufflers.
- Where available and feasible, construction equipment with back-up alarms shall be equipped with either audible self-adjusting backup alarms or alarms that only sound when an object is detected. Self-adjusting backup alarms shall automatically adjust to 10 dBA over the surrounding background levels. All non-self-adjusting backup alarms shall be set to the lowest setting required to be audible above the surrounding noise levels.
- Stationary construction equipment material and vehicle staging shall be placed to direct noise away

Significant and unavoidable for construction noise Less than significant for operational noise

**Impacts** Mitigation Measure (s) **Residual Impacts** from sensitive receivers to the greatest extent feasible. Meetings shall be conducted, as needed, with oncampus constituents to provide advance notice of construction activities to coordinate these activities with the academic calendar, scheduled events, and other situations, as appropriate. Communication would be provided, as needed, with constituents that are affected by campus construction to provide advance notice of construction activities and ensure that the mutual needs of the particular construction project and of those impacted by construction noise are met, to the extent feasible. A sign shall be provided at the construction site entrance, or other conspicuous location, that includes a 24-hour telephone number for project information, and to report complaints. An inquiry and corrective action will be taken if necessary, in a timely manner. Where deemed necessary and feasible, installation of temporary sound barriers/blankets to break the line-of-sight between the construction equipment and exterior use areas of noise-sensitive receivers. The temporary barriers/blankets shall be of sufficient height to break the line-of-sight between the construction equipment and noise-sensitive receivers. MM N-2 HVAC Noise Reduction Measures. Less than significant with mitigation incorporated The campus shall reduce HVAC equipment noise levels located in close proximity to noise-sensitive buildings and uses through noise control measures such as, but not limited to: Mechanical equipment screening (e.g., parapet walls) Equipment setbacks Silencers

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	<ul> <li>Acoustical louvers</li> <li>And other sound attenuation devices as made available</li> <li>If a method other than mechanical equipment screening (e.g., parapet walls) is chosen, a project-specific design plan demonstrating that the noise level from operation of HVAC units does not generate noise levels that exceed 5 dBA above ambient at noise-sensitive receivers shall be completed.</li> </ul>	
	MM N-3 Loading Dock Noise Reduction Measures.  The campus shall reduce loading dock noise levels through measures such as, but not limited to:	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	<ul> <li>Noise levels from loading docks at noise-sensitive receivers shall not exceed 5 dBA over ambient noise levels, the effectiveness of which shall be determined on a project-level basis by an acoustical professional.</li> </ul>	
	As feasible, design and build sound barriers near loading docks and delivery areas that block the line of sight between truck activity areas and noise-sensitive receivers. Sound barriers may consist of a wall, earthen berm, or combination thereof.	
	MM N-4 Relocated Corporation Yard Noise Reduction Measures.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	If and when the campus Corporation Yard is relocated, the campus shall reduce Corporation Yard noise levels through measures such as, but not limited to:	
	Noise levels from the Corporation Yard at noise- sensitive receivers shall not exceed 5 dBA over ambient noise levels, the effectiveness of which shall be determined on a project-level basis by an acoustical professional.	
	<ul> <li>As feasible, design and build sound barriers near the Corporation Yard that block the line of sight between truck activity areas and noise-sensitive</li> </ul>	

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	receivers. Sound barriers may consist of a wall, earthen berm, or combination thereof.	
Impact N-2. Vibration from proposed 2021 LRDP construction may exceed applicable standards. This is a potentially significant impact that would be reduced to less than significant with mitigation.	MM N-5 Construction Vibration Reduction Measures. If construction equipment were to be operated within the specified distances listed in Table 4.11 13 of the Draft EIR, the campus shall reduce construction vibration levels through the following noise control measures:	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated
	<ul> <li>All academic and residential facilities within the listed distances shall be notified if the listed equipment is to be used during construction activities so that the occupants and/or researchers can take necessary precautionary measures to avoid negative effects to their activities and/or research.</li> </ul>	
	In addition, one of the following measures shall be implemented:	
	<ul> <li>Use of the equipment shall not occur within the specified distances in Table 4.11 13 in Section 4.11, Noise, or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>A project-specific vibration impact analysis shall be conducted that shall consider the type of equipment used and potential</li> </ul>	
	vibration levels at structures within the specified distances. If, after consideration of the type of equipment used and other factors of the environment, vibration levels do not exceed the applicable criteria, construction	
	may proceed without additional measures. If, after consideration of the type of equipment used and other factors of the environment,	
	vibration levels exceed the applicable criteria, additional measures shall be implemented to reduce vibration levels below threshold, if feasible. These measures may include, but	
	not limited to, use of different equipment	

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Impact N-3. The proposed 2021 would not expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels within 2 miles of an airport or airport influence area. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation is required.	None required	Less than significant
Population and Housing		
Impact PH-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP would accommodate the anticipated regional population forecasts. Furthermore, the proposed 2021 LRDP does not include installation or extension of significant roads or infrastructure that would result in further population growth or housing needs. Direct and indirect impacts related to unplanned population growth would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact PH-2. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Public Services		
Impact PS-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not increase demand to a level that would require new fire protection facilities or substantial alterations to existing facilities. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact PS-2. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would incrementally increase the enrollment of students in regional public schools by an estimated 2,575 students, which would be accommodated by the existing and planned capacity of local school districts. Therefore, the proposed 2021 LRDP would not result in the need for the provision of new or physically altered schools. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant

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Recreation		
Impact REC-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP would include most of the recreational facilities and parkland on the UCR campus and incrementally develop new recreation facilities and open spaces that would adequately serve the campus population. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of those facilities would occur or be accelerated. Impacts related to increased use of parks and recreational facilities would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact REC-2. The proposed 2021 LRDP would incrementally develop new on-campus recreational facilities and open spaces, the construction of which may have an adverse physical effect on the environment. Environmental impacts would be less than significant without additional mitigation.	The impact from construction and operation of these new recreational facilities have been analyzed as part of the proposed 2021 LRDP buildout in this Draft EIR, and no additional mitigation is required.	Less than significant
Transportation		
Impact T-1. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would increase bicycle and pedestrian travel, but it would not physically disrupt an existing pedestrian or bicycle facility or interfere with implementation of a planned pedestrian or bicycle facility. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would not conflict with any existing programs, plans, ordinances, or policies that address the circulation systems. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact T-2. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would result in additional vehicular travel associated with increased population on the campus, but VMT would continue to be below regional thresholds. Multi-use development implemented under the proposed 2021 LRDP combined with increased use of alternative modes of travel would result in lower VMT generated by the campus over time. Project-	None required	Less than significant

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generated VMT per service population would be below the WRCOG 15 percent threshold. impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.		
Impact T-3. Development under the proposed 2021 LRDP would be constructed in such a way that changes would remain consistent to surrounding geometric design features and any redesign or construction of oncampus circulation paths would be designed and constructed to meet the Campus Construction and Design Standards. However, the increase in campus population under Cumulative Plus Project conditions would result in an impact related to queuing at the I-215/SR 60 Freeway Southbound Ramps at Martin Luther King Boulevard. Impacts would be significant and unavoidable. Mitigation measure T-1 has been proposed for adoption to another agency (Caltrans), but its implementation is uncertain at this time.	MM T-1 Intersection Queueing. Improvements to the intersection of I-215/SR-60 freeway southbound ramps at Martin Luther King Boulevard shall consist of reconfiguring the southbound approach from one left-turn lane and one shared through/right-turn lane to one shared left/through/right-turn lane and one right-turn lane. Optimizing the signal-timings with the geometric improvements shall also be required.	Significant and unavoidable  UCR recommends that Caltrans approve MM T-1. If Caltrans approves MM T-1, based on the Transportation Impact Analysis included as Appendix J to this EIR, impacts would be reduced to less than significant.
Impact T-4. Development under the proposed 2021 LRDP would not include major changes to existing access points or on-campus circulation paths that would result in inadequate emergency access. All projects under the proposed 2021 LRDP would adhere to Campus Construction and Design Standards. They would undergo review and approval by the State Fire Marshal prior to implementation and use. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required  However, UCR has proposed continuing best practices (CBP) as conditions of individual project approval that would ensure, to the extent feasible, that at least one unobstructed lane in both directions on campus roadways are maintained specifically in the event of a wildfire emergency (CBP WF-1) and that the Campus Fire Marshal discloses roadway closures to the City of Riverside Fire Department and identify alternative travel routes, if necessary (CBP WF-2). See Continuing Best Practices discussed below.	Less than significant
Tribal Cultural Resources		
<b>Impact TCR-1.</b> Development facilitated by the proposed 2021 LRDP has the potential to impact tribal cultural resources. Impacts would be less than significant with mitigation.	See:  MM CUL-2 Tribal Cultural Resources/Archaeological Monitoring.  MM CUL-3 Construction Working Training.  MM CUL-4 Unanticipated Discovery of Tribal Cultural Resources/Archaeological Resources.	Less than significant with mitigation incorporated

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Utilities and Service Systems		
Impact U-1. The proposed 2021 LRDP may require the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or stormwater drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities on the UCR Campus. Such relocation and construction would not result in significant environmental effects and impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact U-2. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would result in a net increase in water demand on the UCR campus of approximately 579 AFY through year 2035/2036. This increase is accounted for in the RPU's 2015 UWMP, and there is sufficient water supply available under all drought scenarios. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact U-3. Wastewater generated by development under the proposed 2021 LRDP would be treated at the Riverside Water Quality Control Plant. The plant would have adequate capacity to serve the proposed 2021 LRDP's anticipated wastewater generation in addition to its existing wastewater treatment commitments. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant
Impact U-4. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure. The proposed 2021 LRDP would not impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals and would comply with federal, State, and applicable local statutes and regulations related to solid waste. Impacts would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.	None required	Less than significant

Impacts	Mitigation Measure (s)	Residual Impacts
Wildfire		
Impact WF-1. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would not result in a significant impact associated with construction activities. Operation of new facilities would not substantially impair an adopted emergency response or evacuation plan. Impacts would be less than significant.	None required  However, UCR has proposed continuing best practices (CBP) as conditions of individual project approval that would ensure, to the extent feasible, that at least one unobstructed lane in both directions on campus roadways are maintained specifically in the event of a wildfire emergency (CBP WF-1) and that the Campus Fire Marshal discloses roadway closures to the City of Riverside Fire Department and identify alternative travel routes, if necessary (CBP WF-2). See Continuing Best Practices discussed below.	Less than significant
Impact WF-2. Implementation of the proposed 2021 LRDP would increase the density of development on campus, with new buildings and infrastructure constructed according to the latest fire code and safety standards. New construction would be located in areas within 2 miles of Very High FHSZs. People living, working, and attending class in these areas could be exposed to pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire. Impact risk would be significant with compliance with the most current Building and Fire codes.	None required	Less than significant
Impact WF-3. New or updated infrastructure would be concentrated in previously developed portions of campus, and utilities would be installed underground and would not contribute to increased fire risk. Impacts would be less than significant.	None required	Less than significant

Impacts	Mitigation Measure (s)	Residual Impacts
<b>Impact WF-4.</b> Development projects would be sited on parts of campus that are away from steep slopes (25 percent or greater) that may become post-fire hazard zones. Impacts would be less than significant with mitigation.	MM WF-1 Implement Post-Fire Erosion Control Plan and Application.  UCR shall incorporate into its Emergency Operations and Response Plan erosion control measures to be deployed in the event of a catastrophic wildfire. Erosion control measures shall be implemented as soon as possible after the event and shall include one or more of the following, as applicable:	Less than significant
	<ol> <li>Install mulch to cover the soil and reduce rain drop impact, overland flow, and soil particle movement.</li> <li>This can be certified weed-free straw, slash, and geotextile fabrics and should be installed as quickly as possible after the fire event.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Apply hydro-mulch mixture of water, fiber mulch, and tackifier on burned slopes to prevent soil erosion and foster revegetation. Seed, fertilizer, or soil stabilizing polymers can also be applied with the hydro-mulch.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Implement aerial seeing of grasses or legumes with a layer of straw mulch over seeded grasses. Ensure the mix of seed includes native grasses and plants with value for local wildlife.</li> </ol>	

## **Continuing Best Practices**

In support of its standard practice of required construction management plans for individual projects, UCR has proposed Continuing Best Practices (CBP) as conditions of individual project approval that would ensure, to the extent feasible, that at least one unobstructed lane in both directions on campus roadways are maintained specifically in the event of a wildfire emergency and that the Campus Fire Marshal discloses roadway closures to the City of Riverside Fire Department and identify alternative travel routes, if necessary. As such, evacuation routes, if present within the specific roadway segment that would require temporary closure as noted above, would be similarly rerouted. See Section 4.18, *Wildfire*, for additional detail.

## CBP WF-1 Construction – Traffic Control

To the extent feasible, the campus shall maintain at least one unobstructed lane in both directions on campus roadways. At any time only a single lane is available, the campus shall provide a temporary traffic signal, signal carriers (i.e., flagpersons), or other appropriate traffic controls to allow travel in both directions. If construction activities require the complete closure of a roadway segment, the campus shall provide alternate routes and appropriate signage.

## CBP WF-2 Construction – Alternative Travel Routes

https://ir.ucr.edu/stats/enroll/overall.

Prior to campus construction activities and/or roadway closures, the Campus Fire Marshal, as delegated by the State Fire Marshal, and in cooperation with the City of Riverside Fire Department shall ensure that adequate access for emergency vehicles is provided or identify alternative travel routes.

## References

