

# Welcome to the Scoping Meeting for the California Tower Environmental Impact Report

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March 17, 2021

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# Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and purpose of the meeting
- California Tower CEQA Approach
- California Tower Proposed Project Overview
- Questions

# Purpose of this Meeting – Initiate CEQA Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Process

- **CEQA**
  - Statewide environmental review law
  - Frequently results in EIR completion and public review
- **University of California CEQA Role**
  - Lead agency for CEQA projects proposed by UC Davis
  - Identify potential issues early in the environmental review process
- **California Tower-major hospital facility project**
  - Proposed for patient care and seismic safety
  - EIR to assess potential environmental effects

# Purpose of this Meeting – Initiate CEQA Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Process

- **Notice of Preparation (NOP) for California Tower**
  - NOP Issued February 26, 2021
  - Announce that a Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been initiated
  - Describe the Proposed Project: California Tower
  - Provide preliminary information on potential environmental effects
- **Scoping**
  - Obtain agency and public input on scope and content of the EIR
  - Identify potential issues early in the environmental review process
- **Scoping Meeting**
  - Lead Agency may convene a meeting to consult with those concerned with environmental effects of the project

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# Environmental Review Milestones

Major Steps	Resource Evaluations
<b>Notice of Preparation-Scoping</b>	
<b>Draft EIR:</b> Project Description and Objectives, Environmental Impact Analysis, Alternatives Analysis, Mitigation Measures	Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology, Soils and Seismicity, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use, Noise, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation, Utilities
<b>Final EIR:</b> Comments and Responses to Comments	

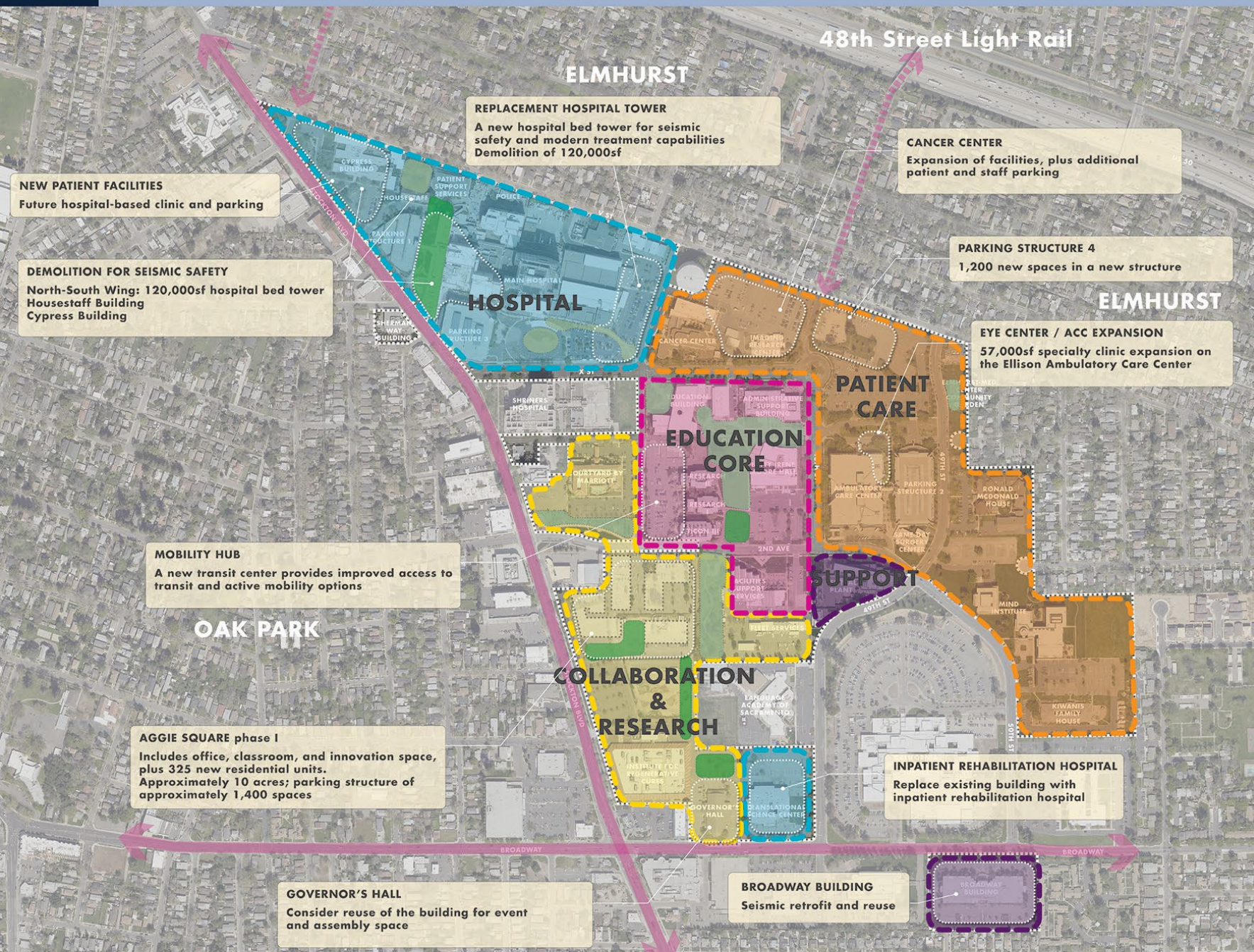
# Environmental Review Milestones

TASK	DATE
Notice of Preparation	February 26, 2021
NOP/Scoping (Public Review Period)	February 26 - March 29, 2021
Draft EIR (Public Review Period)	Mid Summer 2021
Final EIR Preparation	Late Summer 2021
Regents Approval Process	September 2021
Notice of Determination	September 2021

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## BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE PROJECTIONS

TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE PROJECTION: 7,070,000

EXISTING 2020	3,669,811	2,870,444	6,540,255	7,070,000
2030 ANTICIPATED GROWTH				
ADDITIONAL GROWTH TO LRDP FORECAST				
TOTAL LRDP BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE				

## CAMPUS POPULATION PROJECTIONS

TOTAL POPULATION PROJECTION: 21,200

EXISTING 2020	13,547	6,126	19,673	21,200
2030 ANTICIPATED GROWTH				
ADDITIONAL GROWTH TO LRDP FORECAST				
FUTURE LRDP CAMPUS POPULATION				

## CAMPUS PARKING PROJECTIONS

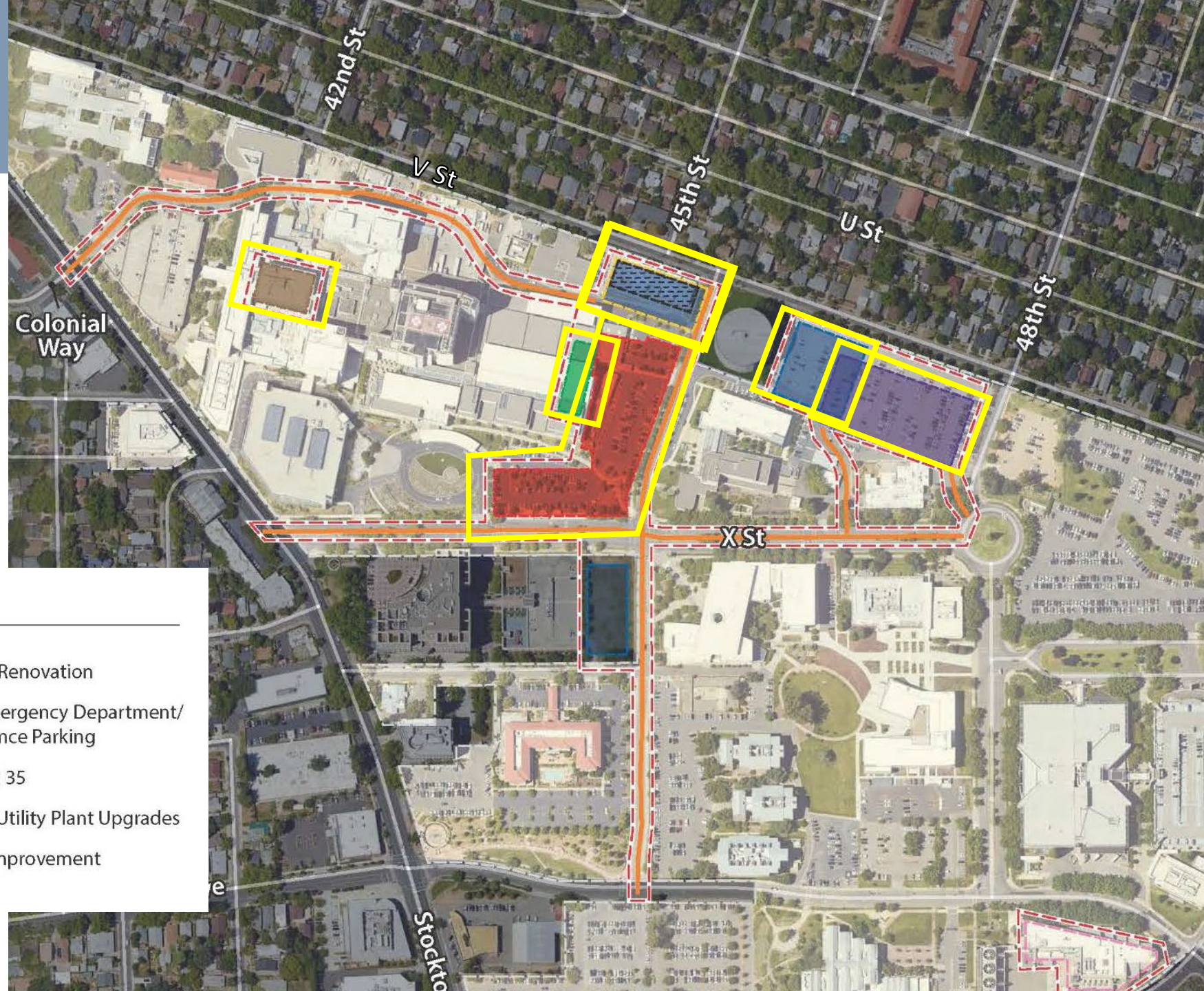
TOTAL PARKING PROJECTION: 12,000

EXISTING 2020	7,676	3,404	11,080	12,000
2030 ANTICIPATED GROWTH				
ADDITIONAL GROWTH TO LRDP FORECAST				
TOTAL LRDP CAMPUS PARKING				

**LRDP 2020 UPDATE  
NOVEMBER 2020**



# California Tower Project Overview

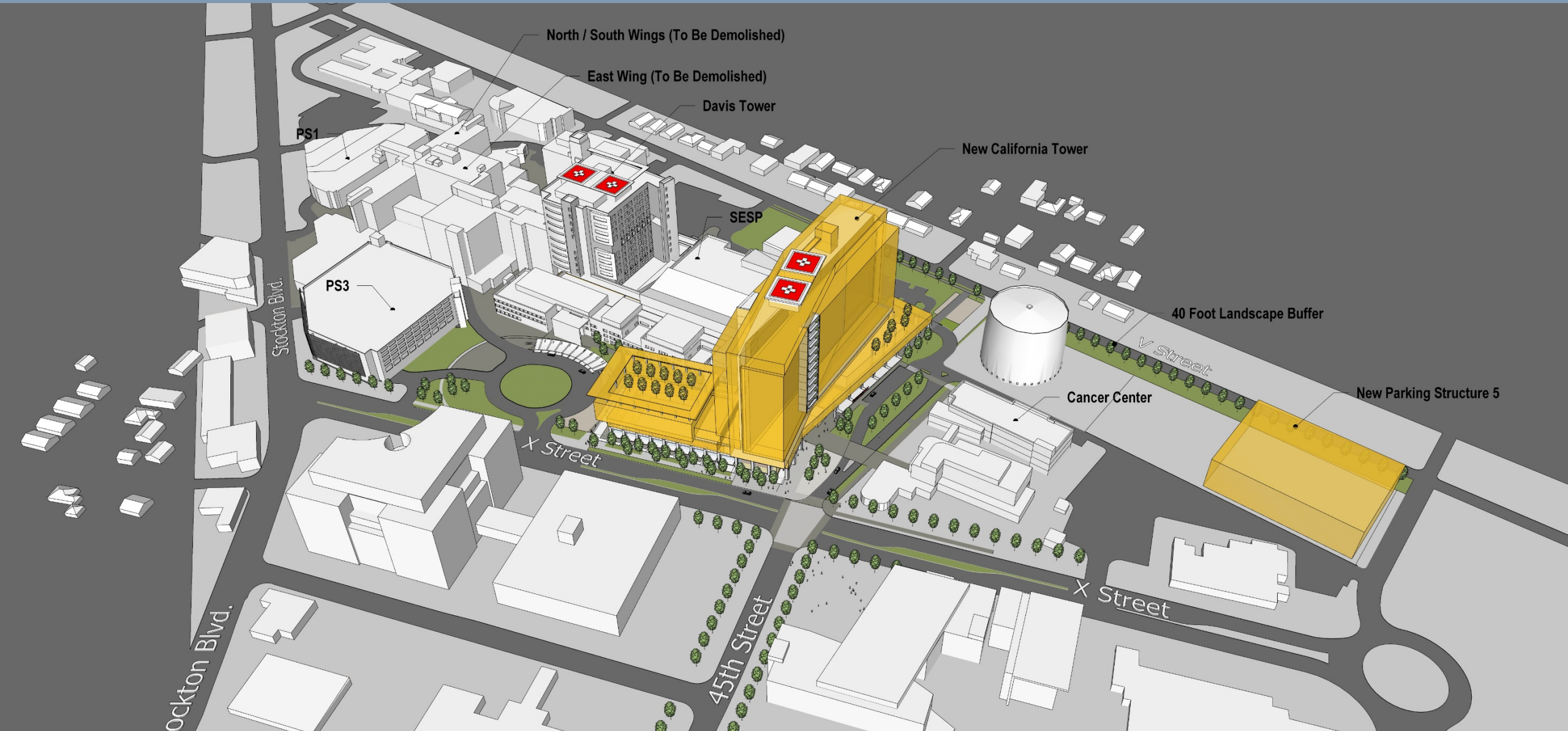


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|  | Project Boundary     |  | Interior Renovation                            |
|  | Campus Boundary      |  | New Emergency Department/<br>Ambulance Parking |
|  | California Tower     |  | Building 35                                    |
|  | Construction Staging |  | Central Utility Plant Upgrades                 |
|  | Parking Structure 5  |  | Street Improvement                             |
|  | East Wing Demolition |  |  |



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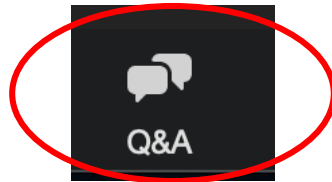
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  - Zoom Q&A
  - Open Q&A

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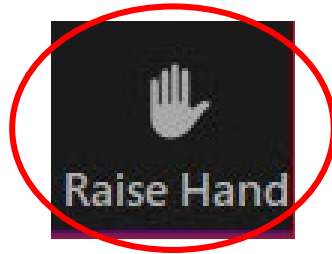
Please submit your comments that you would like considered for the Draft EIR no later than March 29, 2021 in writing to:

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One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616  
[environreview@ucdavis.edu](mailto:environreview@ucdavis.edu)

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For Verbal Questions raise your hand on the Zoom toolbar.

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- If joining from your phone, dial \*9 to raise your virtual hand
- Commenters will be called in the order of hands raised. If you lower your hand, you will lose your place in the queue
- Staff will send you a request to unmute yourself when it is your turn to speak
- Each speaker will have 2 minutes to provide comments.



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# Thank You

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# Thank You!

## The Virtual Scoping Session has ended.

For more information on the California Tower Project, please visit the project webpage or contact UC Davis Environmental Planning.

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