Notice of Determination

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination
in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2022020587
Project Title: Temporary Easement for the Interstate 80/Richards Boulevard Interchange Improvements Project
Project Applicant: University of California, Davis
Parties Undertaking Project: City of Davis
Project Location: Richards Boulevard and Interstate 80

County: Yolo

Project Description: The City of Davis, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), proposes to reconstruct the westbound ramps at the I-80/Richards Boulevard interchange in the City of Davis by converting from a cloverleaf to a tight diamond configuration, construct a grade-separated bicycle and pedestrian path along the west side of Richards Boulevard, close the isolated westbound off-ramp to Olive Drive, and make other related improvements. The University’s approval in association with the Project is limited to the granting of a temporary construction easement to allow for the construction of the Project. The easement would allow the City access to 5,129 square feet of land at 1441 and 1333 Research Drive, Davis, CA 95616 for 24 months. Landscaping within the proposed easement area will be protected in place or restored by the project contractor after construction.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California Responsible Agency has approved the above-described action on March 7, 2023 and has made the following determinations:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Interstate 80/Richards Boulevard Interchange Improvements Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA was prepared, for which this project is a part.
3. Mitigation measures as part of the Interstate 80/Richards Boulevard Interchange Improvements Project Initial Study were made as a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public at: City of Davis, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, CA 95616 and https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/improvement-projects/richards-boulevard-i-80-interchange-improvements.

Signature: Brian Harrington
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Date: March 7, 2023