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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: 2017092007

Project Title: Heller Student Housing South (formerly known as the Student Housing West Phase 2 – Heller Development project)

Project Applicant: University of California, Santa Cruz

Parties Undertaking Project: University of California, Santa Cruz

Project Location: University of California, Santa Cruz, Main Campus – near the Western Entrance of Campus; at the Intersections of Heller Drive and Empire Grade Road

County: Santa Cruz

Project Description: The Santa Cruz campus proposes to construct the Heller Student Housing South project, formerly known as the Student Housing West Phase 2 – Heller Development project. The project would demolish the existing Family Student Housing complex and develop approximately 189,000 assignable square feet / 304,000 gross square feet of new residential construction. The project will provide approximately 1,290 beds for upper-division undergraduates, as well as a market, multi-purpose space, mail room, and laundry facilities. The project also includes site utilities, circulation infrastructure, including accessible pedestrian paths, bicycle routes, parking, and vehicular roadways.

This Notice of Determination is to advise that the University of California Lead Agency has approved the above-described action on *May 6, 2026* and has made the following determinations:

1. The Project would not cause any significant environmental impacts nor an increase in the severity of significant impacts previously studied in the Student Housing West Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
2. Addendum #1 to the Student Housing West EIR was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Relevant mitigation measures and continuing best practices from the Student Housing West EIR as identified in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. The implementation of applicable Student Housing West EIR mitigation measures will be monitored and reported pursuant to the Student Housing West EIR's Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
5. A Statement of Overriding Consideration was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Student Housing West EIR, comments and responses, Addendum No. 1 to the EIR, and record of project approval, are available to the general public at:

<https://ppdo.ucsc.edu/campus-planning/environmental-planning/> and UC Santa Cruz Physical and Environmental Planning, Barn G, 1156 High St., Santa Cruz, CA, Attn: Jolie Kerns, (831) 212-0196.

Signature: 

Brian Harrington

Title: Director, Physical and Environmental Planning

Date: *May 6, 2026*

Dated Received for filing at OPR: