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RE: California State University 2019-2020 through 2023-2024 Five-Year Plan

This letter is to provide a copy of the California State University (CSU) 2019-2020 through 2023-2024 Five-Year Plan as required by EDC 67501 and the final 2019-2020 Capital Outlay Program report as required by EDC 89772 (a)(3). At their November 2018 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the Five-Year Plan, which contains 2019-2020 Capital Outlay Program.

For your convenience, we have provided the Legislative Analyst’s Office with a hard copy of the Five-Year Plan and the Capital Outlay Budget Change Proposals. Should you require an electronic copy or a hard copy for your use, we will be glad to provide it. You can access both of these documents at: http://calstate.edu/cpdc/Facilities_Planning/majorcapoutlayprogram.shtml.

- The Five-Year Plan is a long-range planning tool that includes projects for all 23 campuses that the CSU aims to implement during this planning horizon. The plan includes academic, self-support, deferred maintenance, and infrastructure improvement projects with funding from a variety of sources. The total amount needed for the projects in the Five-Year Plan is slightly over $16.1 billion, and comprised of over $10 billion for academic facilities and approximately $6 billion for self-support facilities.

- The 2019-2020 Capital Outlay Program consists of nineteen projects, including a statewide program for Infrastructure Improvements that will fund individual projects at all CSU campuses. The total amount needed for the projects included in the 2019-2020 Capital Outlay Program is slightly over $1.6 billion.
The Board of Trustees approved academic project financing of up to $1.1 billion under the CSU’s Systemwide Revenue Bond program using funds made available to CSU to pay for existing capital outlay debt. While this amount will help address campus deficiencies, it will fall far short of meeting the total $10 billion need identified in the Five-Year Plan to address the backlog of building renewal needs, repair critical infrastructure, and support the delivery of the instructional program. In order to partially close this funding gap, the CSU Support Budget seeks an $80 million increase in base budget operating funds for facilities/infrastructure beginning in the 2019-2020 budget year. The Board of Trustees also approved a one-time request of $250 million to reduce the existing systemwide $3.7 billion deferred maintenance backlog. If the budget request is supported, the additional funds in the CSU operating budget will allow the CSU to take a measured, well-planned multi-year approach to addressing the needs outlined in both of these documents.

As required by the Education Code, funding for these projects will be structured so that not more than 12 percent of the CSU’s General Fund support appropriation, less the amount of the appropriation that is required to fund general obligation bond payments and State Public Works Board rental payments, will be used for debt service and pay-as-you-go capital outlay projects.

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions about this report, please contact Paul Gannoe, Chief of Facilities Planning at (562) 951-4146.

Sincerely,

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