NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

BULLDOG STADIUM MODERNIZATION PROJECT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

California State University, Fresno (Fresno State) proposes to renovate and modernize the existing Bulldog Stadium at its existing site located on the western portion of the Fresno State campus. The Project would renovate and modernize the existing stadium to improve fan amenities throughout the stadium, spectator access to seating, and press and media facilities. The Project would provide new concourses located in each of the four corners of the stadium and a new plaza at the north entrance, modifications to the stadium seating bowl to provide a crossaisle, and creation of a new multi-level tower structure on the west sideline. Proposed renovations would not increase the seating capacity of the stadium. Utility infrastructure improvements, new lighting and landscaping, utility yard and a loading dock would also be provided. The Project would not include additional vehicle access or parking facilities.

The Project will address several of the University's strategic goals and current deficiencies by addressing deferred maintenance of the aging stadium, improving accessibility and safety features throughout the stadium, modernizing the existing stadium in support of the strategic priorities of the campus. The Project Site is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5.

A Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the Project. The Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that, with project-level mitigation measures incorporated in the Project, no significant environmental impacts relating to the Project will occur. Therefore, adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration is proposed for the Project. The CSU Board of Trustees is tentatively scheduled to consider approval of schematic designs for the Project and adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at their March 2018 meeting.

The Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project are available for public review at the Henry Madden Library at 5200 N. Barton Avenue and online at www.fresnostate.edu/adminserv. The public review period for this Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on November 7, 2017 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on December 7, 2017.

Written comments or inquiries should be directed to California State University, Fresno Facilities, Planning, Design and Construction, 2351 E. Barstow Avenue M/S PO112, Fresno, CA 93740 (Email: smitchel@csufresno.edu) Attention: Sara Mitchel, Interim Director, Planning, Design and Construction.

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