

2010-11 Comprehensive Settlement Agreement Annual Report

The Comprehensive Settlement Agreement Annual Report for 2010-11 (Report) provides information for the public on the implementation and/or completion of various sections of the Settlement Agreement between the City of Santa Cruz, County of Santa Cruz, Coalition for Limiting University Expansion, Rural Bonny Doon Association, individual citizens and The Regents of the University of California, and University of California Santa Cruz campus.

The Comprehensive Settlement Agreement (CSA) signed in August 2008 set the course for a new relationship between the parties. While all parties have contributed to the third year accomplishments, the City and the University particularly, have responded positively to the CSA provisions by meeting agreed upon goals, reducing use of resources and by collaborating on projects for improving the welfare of our community. Despite budget constraints facing all of the public agencies, progress has been made and all areas are in compliance, pending action on the LAFCO applications and two legal challenges. An area of concern continues to be the financial stability of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District and the impact of any reduction of services on traffic.

In the third year of implementation of the CSA, several benchmarks were achieved. For example:

- The City 's rental property ordinance is in effect and two new code enforcement positions were hired in 2011.
- All nineteen high priority water conservation projects have been completed.
- The student housing occupancy rate for the year averaged 92%.
- Alternative modes of transportation rose to just over 63% through increased transportation demand management programs, such as public transit. Overall campus traffic volume dropped by 4% over last year's counts. UCSC is working with the City and Ecology Action to expand the off-campus Zipcar program by 8 cars in several new locations.
- UCSC and the City have successfully collaborated on economic development projects including the Project on Innovation and Entrepreneurship, business plan competition and the Climate Action Compact.

The Report includes relevant data associated with the identified CSA sections. Each section in the report has a website link to the pertinent section (and complete text) of the signed settlement agreement. Notes have been included on the right side of the Report to clarify the data.

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