

Executive Summary

2019-20 Comprehensive Settlement Agreement Annual Report

The Comprehensive Settlement Agreement Annual Report for 2019-20 (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. The City and the University have responded positively to the CSA provisions by meeting and talking regularly to achieve agreed upon goals, reducing use of resources and generally collaborating on projects for the betterment of the welfare of our community. Despite budget constraints facing all of the public agencies, progress has been made and all areas are in compliance.

In the 11th year of reporting on the CSA, several benchmarks were achieved. However, due to COVID-19 the data provided in this reporting cycle may be significantly different than most other reporting years. In March 2020, the campus pivoted to mostly remote learning. This has meant a significant reduction in students living in on-campus housing and most faculty and staff are still working remotely. Therefore, in some cases the data reflected in the report are an anomaly and staff have made notes of those areas most heavily impacted by COVID-19.

Here are some of the highlights for 2019-20:

- Main campus average daily trips (ADT) at 13,397 remains well below the 28,700 not to exceed threshold. Factoring out this year's data, the ADT averaged 24% lower than the maximum not-to-exceed ADT of 28,700 for the previous 10 reporting cycles.
- 45.4% of trips used alternative modes of transportation through increased transportation demand management programs, such as public transit and ridesharing. During the past 10 reporting years, the average has been consistently above 60%.
- For 2019-2020, UC Santa Cruz provided 9,401 beds which is 909 beds in excess of the required 8,492 in the Comprehensive Settlement Agreement. That is about 10% more beds than required for this compliance year.
- The Kresge Renewal Project is constructing a cluster of three new residential buildings comprising 400 beds for first year students. The project is also renovating existing buildings, for an additional 150 beds for continuing students. The project, with a total of 550 beds (approx 180 net new beds) is anticipated to be complete by Fall 2023. In addition to residential space, the project also comprises a new academic building including a 600-seat lecture hall, 150-seat lecture hall, 50-seat and 35-seat classrooms, computing lab and department space for Humanities, Arts, and Physical and Biological Sciences divisions. The project also encompasses critical student support programs in renovated buildings, including CAPS, Slug Support, CARE, STARS, SHOP and Hispanic

Serving Institution Grant Space. Site improvements include accessibility and utility upgrades throughout the college.

- Using 162.7 million gallons per year in 2019, the campus remains far below the 206 (MGY) base usage in the Comprehensive Settlement Agreement. Water usage has averaged 20% lower than 206 MGY base usage over the last 11 reporting years.

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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