

9.0 INTRODUCTION

Public Review Process

San Diego State University (“SDSU”) prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (“DEIR”) for the SDSU 2007 Campus Master Plan Revision. SDSU circulated the DEIR for public review and comment from June 12, 2007 through July 27, 2007. A Public Notice of Availability of the DEIR was published in a newspaper of general circulation and mailed to all organizations and individuals previously requesting notice, and posted with the Office of the San Diego County Clerk. SDSU provided copies of the complete DEIR with appendices to the State Clearinghouse which, in turn, distributed the DEIR to all interested state agencies for review and comment. Copies of the DEIR were delivered to libraries in the affected communities. (Please see EIR Appendix T.)

The public review process included a series of meetings and presentations to various groups and organizations. SDSU staff and the EIR consultants appeared at multiple community group meetings held prior to, during, and after the public review period to provide the community with an overview of the DEIR and the proposed project, and to answer the community’s questions. (Please see EIR Appendix T.)

This section of the Final EIR contains the comments received on the DEIR, SDSU’s responses to those comments, and additional materials relating to the Comments and Responses process.

Overview of the Comments and Responses

This Comments and Responses section includes the following component parts, presented in the following order:

- (i) Alphabetical Index By Author
- (ii) Comment Letters
- (iii) General Responses
- (iv) Responses to Comments Report
- (v) Revisions to Draft EIR
- (vi) Final Appendices

The Alphabetical Index by Author lists the author of each comment letter, along with the date of the letter, the assigned letter ID number, and the page in the Responses to Comments Report where the University's responses to the comments are provided. The index, which serves as a list of the persons, organizations and public agencies commenting on the DEIR, is provided to assist the reader in accessing particular comments and the related responses.

With respect to the letter ID number, at the close of the public review period, each comment letter received by SDSU was "bracketed," a process by which the individual comments contained in a letter are designated separately, and assigned a unique comment identification number. All comment numbers consist of three components. The first component is a letter designation based on the origin of the comment, *i.e.*, whether the comment originated from a state agency (S), regional agency (R), local agency (L), private organization (O), or a company, corporation, or an individual (I). The second component is the number assigned to a particular letter. The third component is the number assigned to a specific comment within that letter. For example, the comments submitted by the City of San Diego have been designated L2-1 through L2-25.

The **Comment Letters** section contains copies of the actual comment letters and attachments, as received by SDSU.

The **General Responses** section includes detailed responses to frequently raised comments, and was prepared following SDSU's review of all of the comments submitted during the public comment period.

The **Responses to Comments Report** presents each of the public comments received by SDSU, alongside SDSU's response to each particular comment. The side-by-side report was prepared by copy-typing each one of the comments received, followed by typing SDSU's response to that particular comment in the adjacent column.

The **Revision to Draft EIR** section contains those DEIR pages that have been revised in response to the public comments. New, additional text is noted in **bold underlined**; deleted text is noted in ~~strikeout~~.

The **Appendices** section includes supplemental and additional appendices, prepared in connection with the responses to comments process.