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TO: Cal Poly Employees

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RE: Budget Update

BUDGET

The Governor and the Legislative leaders have agreed on a budget for the 2004-05 year. The next steps are for the Legislature to act on the budget and present it to the Governor for signature. Details of the final version of the budget will be available and analyzed over the next few weeks. We understand that the budget agreement has added some funding for higher education based on an increase in enrollment funding and targets. We anticipate receiving the Cal Poly campus budget allocation and revised enrollment targets from the CSU early next month. As soon as we have the new numbers we will share them with the campus.

FACILITY PROJECTS

* Faculty and Staff Housing

Plans are underway for the development of new housing for sale to Cal Poly faculty and staff at below market pricing. The location of these 69 units will be the northwest corner of Highland and Highway 1. Construction is expected to begin next summer with the completion of the housing anticipated before the start of the 2007-08 academic year.

* Student Housing North

The program management firm has been selected and the request for qualifications is being distributed to potential contractors. This 2,746-bed student housing development will be located north of Brizzolara Creek and include meeting, retail and recreation space in addition to the student apartments. Construction on the project is expected to begin late 2005 with the first of three phases of the apartments being available for the fall of 2008. Phases two and three will follow in 2009 and 2010, respectively.

Technology Park
Plans are continuing for the development of the first phase of a Tech Park which is to be located on Stenner Creek Road just west of the intersection with Mt. Bishop. Funding for this project is to be entirely from grants. Construction is expected to begin in fall of 2005 with completion of the 25,000 square feet first phase by late 2006.

Parking

A new parking lot is being developed at the Old Poultry site on Mt. Bishop road. This 350-space lot will help to offset the loss of parking spaces due to construction of the new Engineering facilities on the parking lot next to the Library. The new lot is expected to be available early in 2005. The Parking Department will be providing and distributing information about the changes in parking for the 2004-05 academic year.

Engineering Facilities

* Work is continuing on the completion of Engineering III, located on Highland Drive. This facility is expected to be ready for classes by September 2005.

* There is a groundbreaking planned in August for the new Engineering projects building. This facility, which is being funded entirely with a gift from Paul Bonderson, is located east of the ATL building on the parking lot next to the Library. Completion of this facility is expected in summer 2005.

* Plans are being finalized for Engineering IV which is to be located on Highland near University Drive. Construction on this facility is expected to begin this fall and be completed by September 2006.

* The extension on California Blvd. is in progress. When completed and fully opened, California Blvd. will allow two-way traffic to flow between Foothill and Highland. The road is expected to be open for one-way traffic by November and fully opened next spring.

* Plans for Engineering/Architecture Renovation and Replacement Phase IIB will go the Board of Trustees for schematic design approval in September. Construction is expected to start in summer 2005.