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Cal Poly Prepares for Summer Construction Projects
Sidewalk and Bus Stop Closures Mark Big Changes for Campus

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The center of Cal Poly’s campus will have a new look come fall. On June 15, the university will begin closing sidewalks and bus stops on South Perimeter Road. The closures mark the start of the renovation of University Union Plaza and construction of the Simpson Strong Tie Building, as well as the anticipated expansion of the Recreation Center.

San Luis Obispo transit buses will continue service on both sides of Perimeter Road in front of the Graphic Arts Building, as well as the west side of Grand Avenue by the Christopher Cohan Performing Arts Center and University Drive behind Campus Market.

Bus stops in front of Mott Gym and the UU will be closed, as will the sidewalk in front of UU Plaza. Businesses and services in the University Union will remain open, however access in and around the Plaza may occasionally be re-routed. Pedestrians will have uninterrupted access to the sidewalk in front of Mott Gym.

Campus visitors are asked to note directional signs for openings, closings and changes.

On Sept. 1, South Perimeter Road will be permanently closed to all vehicle traffic, except service and emergency vehicles. All bus stops along Perimeter Road will also close at that time, with new bus service beginning at Kennedy Library and along Grand Avenue.

Renovation of the UU Plaza is funded with University Union reserves and begins June 15. The Simpson Strong Tie building is funded through a private donation, and construction begins in July. The Recreation Center expansion begins in fall and is funded by a student fee referendum that passed in February 2008.

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