UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED POLICY ON ACCESS TO CONSTRUCTION SITES

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SUMMARY OF POLICY:

The University of California Merced is committed to managing access to capital construction projects in an efficient and effective manner that helps ensure a minimum of disruption of construction activities. Foremost, construction site access procedures provide for the personal safety of employees and visitors, and preserve the continuity of construction project management communications and directives between the University, project architect, general contractor and subcontractors as well as regulatory agency personnel. Furthermore, it recognizes the contractual and legal obligations of the general contractor, in collaboration with the University, to manage access to the site.

Therefore, it is the policy of the University that direct access to construction sites shall be restricted to the Project Manager, General Contractor and subcontractors, authorized Physical Planning Design personnel and the Campus Fire Marshal. In addition, University Police Department sworn personnel have direct access in the event of a police matter or emergency.

Other University personnel having project related reasons to access the site may do so by first notifying the Director of Construction or the Project Inspector of Record. The notification can be accomplished with a phone call contact prior to entering the site.

Access onto construction sites is otherwise restricted for all other University employees and visitors. Escorted access may only be obtained by following the procedures in Attachment 1 and is subject to the availability of PPD&C staff, construction activities within the site and valid reasons for needing access.

All personnel entering a University construction site shall observe all applicable safety rules. It is the responsibility of each individual and his/her supervisor to become familiar with the site-specific safety rules.

Attachment 1: Procedures for Escorted Access onto University Construction

Sites

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These procedures apply to all University personnel, students and visitors, as described in the Policy, who have valid reasons to obtain escorted access onto University construction sites. Access is subject to the availability of PPD&C staff and the nature of construction activities within the site. Access is available only during normal working hours, Monday – Friday.

PROCEDURES

Individuals seeking access to the construction site shall:

- 1. Contact PPD&C to arrange for a site visit. Call 228-4475.
- 2. Wear closed toe footwear and clothing appropriate for the site conditions.
- 3. Meet the PPD&C representative and wear the required safety equipment (to be supplied by PPD&C).
- 4. When leaving the site, check out at the jobsite office, and return any borrowed safety equipment to PPD&C.