

November 16, 2016

Jeannie Darby

Professor and Vice Chair, Civil and Environmental Engineering

RE: Proposed B.S. in Environmental Engineering

Dear Jeannie,

The proposed B.S. in Environmental Engineering was forwarded to all standing committees of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate. Responses were received from Undergraduate Council, Graduate Council, and the Committee on Planning and Budget.

Undergraduate Council and Planning and Budget support the proposal as it stands. Graduate Council recommends clarification regarding TA resources for the proposed Introduction to Environmental Engineering course. In addition, as there is not an intention to hire additional FTEs to support the three proposed courses, Graduate Council is concerned about potential impacts to graduate education. They recommend that the proposal “state explicitly how it will be ensured that graduate education would not be impacted, e.g. that graduate course offerings will not be reduced because faculty teaching efforts would need to be redirected to the three new course offerings.” Full comments are attached.

The Davis Division supports the proposed B.S. in Environmental Engineering provided that the topics raised by Graduate Council are incorporated into the proposal.

Sincerely,



Rachael Goodhue

Chair, Davis Division of the Academic Senate

Professor and Chair, Agricultural and Resource Economics

Enclosed: Davis Division Committee Responses

c: Jennifer Sinclair Curtis, Dean, College of Engineering
Carolyn Thomas, Vice Provost and Dean, Undergraduate Education
Jim Schaaf, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies, College of Engineering
Anh-Vu Pham, Chair, Faculty Executive Committee, College of Engineering
Nancy Davis, Undergraduate Advisor, College of Engineering
Edwin M. Arevalo, Executive Director, Davis Division of the Academic Senate