

SUMMARY OF ITEM FOR ACTION, INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION

TOPIC: University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science: Facilities Master Plan Update

<u>COMMITTEE</u>: Finance

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: September 13, 2012 (presentation) November 15, 2012 (action)

<u>SUMMARY</u>: University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES) requests Board of Regents approval of the 2012–2022 Facilities Master Plan (FMP).

The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES), Facilities Master Plan 2012-2022 focuses on a unified vision for an institution that has multiple locations across the State of Maryland. Those locations are unified by the institution's mission in environmental research, education and public service that are reflected in its approach to sustainable planning, design and practices.

The plan develops the campus to the responsible capacity of the land, strengthens pedestrian connections, and provides a functional alignment of each unique location. The plan defines the campus edges, entrances and destination centers through both natural and built landscapes. The plan also sets forth a comprehensive strategy for renewal and reinvestment in existing facilities to address the existing deferred maintenance backlog and improve the functionality and energy efficiency of the current physical plant.

<u>ALTERNATIVE(S)</u>: The 2012-2022 Facilities Master Plan documents institutional long-term planning objectives and is consistent with the University's mission, strategic plan and USM sustainable design goals and initiatives.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT</u>: The Facilities Master Plan 2012-2022 will present a challenge to the capital and operating budgets to secure funding to support the Plan.

<u>CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION</u>: That the Finance Committee recommend that the Board of Regents approve the UMCES Facilities Master Plan and materials as presented in September, in accordance with the Board's two-step approval process.

Approval of the Plan does not imply approval of capital projects or funding. These items will be reviewed through the normal procedures of the capital and operating budget processes.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:DATE:BOARD ACTION:DATE:SUBMITTED BY: Joseph F. Vivona (301) 445-1923