



Facilities Division  
Environmental Planning

February 15, 2017

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL DECISION  
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

**Project Title:** Building 59 Upgrade & Installation and Operation of NERSC-9 project ("NERSC-9 Project"), SCH# 2016062007

**Lead Agency:** University of California

**Location:** Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory  
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(Alameda County)

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Notice is hereby given that the University of California, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (UC LBNL) will consider approving the Building 59 Upgrade & Installation and Operation of NERSC-9 project ("NERSC-9 project"). Consideration of project approval and certification of the NERSC-9 Project Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is expected to occur on or after February 16, 2017.

The proposed project includes the installation and operation of a new high-performance computing (HPC) system called NERSC-9 within the existing Shyh Wang Hall, also referred to as "Building 59" on the Berkeley Lab. In addition to NERSC-9, up to three cooling towers, a backup generator, water pumps, water distribution piping, heat exchangers, electrical substations, electrical distribution panels, air handling units, an additional uninterruptable power supply panel, and exhaust fans would be installed. All upgrades and improvements would take place inside the existing Building 59 or within an exterior area adjacent to the southeastern corner of the building. The proposed project would not involve construction of or exterior modifications to any buildings. The project would not increase the number of employees and visitors that would be present in the building. Project construction would commence in 2017. NERSC-9 would be fully operational in 2021.

The University of California is the Lead Agency and has completed the NERSC-9 project Final EIR in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and the University of California Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA. The Final EIR includes documentation of the CEQA process and mitigation monitoring and reporting program

A copy of this Notice and the above referenced Final EIR have been placed on the following website: <http://www.lbl.gov/Community/NERSC-9/documents/index.html> In addition, a copy of the Final EIR is available in the Berkeley Public Library at 2090 Kittredge Street, Berkeley, California. If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact Jeff Philliber at the above address or via email at [planning@lbl.gov](mailto:planning@lbl.gov).

Signature

  
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