Subject: Edward Henry Kraus Building
Biology Laboratory Renovations

Action
Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts proposes to renovate four existing laboratory spaces for the Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department and the Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology Department. The four independent laboratory upgrades will be combined into one project to renovate approximately 5,900 gross square feet of laboratory and support space on the first, second, third, and fourth floors of Kraus providing modern research facilities for recently recruited faculty. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $2,200,000. Funding will be provided from College of Literature, Science, and the Arts resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Board of Regents. The University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2010.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Edward Henry Kraus Building Biology Laboratory Renovations project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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