Subject: Fiscal Year 2007 Capital Outlay Submission
All Campuses

Background:

In November 2005, the University submitted to the State the annual Capital Outlay Request and Five-Year Master Plan for the Ann Arbor, Dearborn, and the Flint Campuses for fiscal year 2007. The five-year plan includes information on the University’s mission, instructional programming, staffing and enrollment data, facility condition assessment, master planning, and major projects anticipated over the next five years. Each year, the University has the opportunity to update information and amend the plan as needs and priorities change. Any project accepted by the State for funding requires an action request approved by the Board of Regents.

The Ann Arbor Campus submitted three projects to be considered for State funding: a new Biology Building, Ruthven Museums building renovation, and Hatcher Graduate Library renovation. Reflecting the University’s ongoing commitment to the life sciences, the top priority for the campus is the Biology Building project. The project is estimated at $100 million. Our second and third projects represent our commitment to renew two of our older buildings on the Central Campus. The Hatcher Graduate Library houses the general collection of the University library system, and is the primary research collection for the humanities and social sciences. Ruthven houses the museums of anthropology, zoology, and paleontology, and provides space for instruction, research, and exhibits. Both of these facilities were built in the 1920s and have significant infrastructure needs. The estimated cost for the Hatcher Library renovation is $35 million, and the Ruthven Museums renovation is estimated to cost $40 million.

The Dearborn Campus submitted one project, the creation of a new facility to house its Child Development Center, which has outgrown its current location in a modular unit and historic cottages that are part of the Henry Ford Fair Lane Estate. The project is estimated at $6 million.

The Flint Campus did not request any Capital Outlay funding this cycle.

Over the years, the State has made significant and strategic investments through the Capital Outlay program at all three University of Michigan campuses. State support through its capital outlay programs has been crucial to our efforts in providing an exemplary learning, teaching, and research environment, and we look forward to future opportunities to partner with the State.

Respectfully submitted,

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