# THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

#### ACTION REQUEST

# Subject:Camp Davis Rocky Mountain Field StationStudent Cabin and Support Facilities Replacement

### Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

#### Background:

Established in 1929, the Camp Davis Rocky Mountain Field Station is a research and teaching facility owned by the University of Michigan and operated by the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences. Located approximately thirty miles south of Jackson, Wyoming (see attached map), the approximately 120-acre facility offers courses in geology, environmental science and the humanities, and is also used for academic conferences, alumni gatherings and guest programs. The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts is proposing to demolish the majority of the outdated student-assigned cabins and bathhouses that are original to the camp's construction. Thirty new modular cabins will be constructed, each approximately 300 gross square feet including a living/sleeping area and a bathroom with a shower. The camp's Johnston Hall recreational facility that was destroyed by a tree during a recent winter storm will be replaced with a new, approximately 1,800-gross-square-foot recreational facility that will include open recreational space, restrooms, and a laundry room. The project also includes required upgrades to the electrical, water supply, and septic systems to support the new cabins and recreational hall. The scope of this project includes the architectural, electrical, and mechanical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$6,500,000. Funding will be provided from College of Literature, Science, and the Arts gifts and resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or 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 architectural firm of Krikor Architecture will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 15 on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2019.

<u>We recommend</u> that the Board of Regents approve the Camp Davis Rocky Mountain Field Station Student Cabin and Support Facilities Replacement 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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