

Summary of UC Comments on CPR Recommendations Related to Education, Training and Volunteerism with UC Comments

CPR	Issue	Finding	CPR Recommendation	University of California Recommendation
INF 01	Use of Few Models for Project Delivery Results in Missed Opportunities for Lowering Cost and Speedily Delivery	Use of few models for project delivery results in missed opportunities for lowering cost and speeding delivery.	Legislation should be pursued that would authorize the use of different delivery methods including: Design-Build-Operate and Public-Private Partnerships.	UC supports the recommendation to expand construction delivery methods for public entities; UC also supports specific amendments to the Stull Act (Pub. Contract Code § 10500, et seq.) to allow UC to further streamline project delivery and significantly reduce costs (see Appendix A).
INF 06	High-Performance Building Design	Cost effective, high performance building design and operation standards are increasingly being adopted by the private sector, but only piecemeal by the State, even in the face of significant financial and environmental benefits.	Every future State building should be built to the standards of the US Green Building Council’s LEEDS Silver rating or higher. The State should develop high-performance building design practices for the construction of State buildings by July 1, 2005. The State should also develop a series of economic and environmental measurement protocols and issue an annual report detailing the activities associated with these recommendations.	UC supports the recommendation to develop high performance buildings.
INF 10	Reduce the State’s Leasing Cost	State requirements for landlords on leases creates obstacles.	Through policy and statute changes the State can reduce its leasing costs by removing costly and time-consuming requirements, increasing lease terms to achieve lower overall rent costs, modifying the State’s more rigid code requirements to be more consistent with local government codes, encouraging telecommuting, and employing performance standards to achieve maximum efficiencies in leased costs.	UC supports the recommendation that appropriate city or county entities be authorized to conduct fire code and disabled access compliance reviews for State-leased facilities.

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INF 11	Tapping Surplus Property Assets	Surplus property identification and sales do not capture full market value.	Through policy and statute changes, the State will improve the identification and selling of underused and surplus State properties. Studies to assess property use should be continuously funded and properties should be sold at fair market value.	UC supports the recommendation that the State more effectively manage and dispose of surplus property. UC recommends Government Code section 11011.17 be amended to permit UC to report to the Legislature and the Governor via the web (see Appendix B).
INF 18	Consolidate and Coordinate State Infrastructure Planning and Programming	The State's infrastructure planning and funding decisions are made in a disjointed fashion, creating delay, increased cost and failure to deliver projects.	Consolidate infrastructure planning and programming under one agency. Streamline and standardize administrative procedures. Also, inventory all infrastructure facilities statewide, assess condition and determine need for funding. Such funding should be linked with performance-based management. The consolidated entity should provide a framework and incentives for local governments to engage in regional planning and comply with State General Plan.	UC supports the recommendation that statewide budget procedures be improved to provide needed, timely and cost effective improvements to the State infrastructure, including the University.
INF 17	Integrate the State's Infrastructure Research and Development Programs	Infrastructure's research and development resources are segregated and unfocused, diluting the effectiveness of the results.	Consolidate infrastructure research and development (R&D) under one agency and office and develop a R&D strategic plan. Streamline and standardize administrative procedures. Partner with businesses and technology organizations to identify research concepts with commercial potential.	UC supports the recommendation to simplify and standardize State contracts and grants terms and conditions; UC supports the recommendation for a uniform policy on State intellectual property.

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INF 19	Better Management Needed for California's Real Estate Assets	Lack of entity responsible for strategic asset management across all State agencies results in the underutilization of the State's infrastructure assets.	Consolidate existing asset management functions into a single entity which should be allowed to enter into public-private partnerships, issue tax exempt bonds, secure private financing and conduct cost benefit analyses on the Statewide property inventory. State agencies should be required to establish performance measures related to its real property assets and this data should be used to assess each department's progress.	UC supports the recommendation of the establishment to performance standards related to property assets, but disagrees with the Commission's characterization of UC's space utilization.
INF 23	Energy Conservation, Efficiency Have not Achieved Full Potential	Conservation, efficiency and renewable energy have not achieved their full potential.	Consolidate energy planning, policy development and implementation under one agency. Implement policies for load and peak load management, increased conservation and develop innovative financing methods, conservation and demand management projects.	UC supports the recommendation to increase energy efficiency by public entities.
INF 26	Building Standards Adoption Reform	Eliminate the Building Standards Division. Need legislation for criteria to adopt the State's Model Building Code.	The State's Building Standards approval process is a disjointed, highly political system that lacks adequate oversight from the Building Standards Commission.	UC supports the recommendation to establish objective criteria for selecting a model code for building standards in California.
INF 38	Lengthy Hospital Construction Approvals are Impacting Patient Care	The current inventory of hospital retrofitting and building projects will take approximately two years to work through the State's building plan approval program.	The State should expedite its review of projects, and should establish a process to utilize independent plan reviewers to expedite review. Further, the State should undertake a business process review to develop a more time review process (<i>sic</i>).	UC supports the recommendation that OSHPD expedite its review of projects – including utilization of independent plan revisions – to reduce lengthy hospital construction approvals.