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Dr. Thuy Nguyen President Foothill College 12345 El Monte Road Los Altos Hills, CA 94022

Dear President Nguyen:

The Committee on Substantive Change of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges met February 27, 2017 to review the Substantive Change Application from Foothill College to offer:

 New Program: Geographic Information Systems, Associate in Science Degree and inclusive Certificates of Achievement in Technology Geographic Information Systems Technology I, Geographic Information systems Technology II, and Geographic Information Systems Technology III.

The Committee acted to approve the Associate in Science Degree in Geographic Information Systems. The Committee acted to defer action on the substantive change for the Certificates pending additional information. The Application was incomplete in that there was no differentiation or description among the Level 1, 2, or 3 Certificates as to their requirements or their relationship to each other or the degree. A follow-up report should be submitted that identifies the requirements of each of the three levels of Certificates and describes their relationship, if any, to the other Certificates and the Degree.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the work that the College undertook to prepare this Application for Substantive Change. If you should have any questions concerning this letter or the Committee action, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

Norval L. Wellsfry,

Vice President

Cc: Dr. Andrew LaManque, Accreditation Liaison Officer

Martina Fernandez-Rosario, U.S. Department of Education Chair, Substantive Change

Committee