

**4.13 LAND USE AND PLANNING**

This response addresses comments LA4-1 and LA4-2, which relate to changes in state law that may now permit the Merced County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to revise policies related to future governmental reorganization.

The Draft EIR includes an assessment of the project in light of current LAFCO policies. If LAFCO approval is required (e.g., for an annexation or the creation of a new service district) and LAFCO policies change in the future, additional analysis will need to be conducted by the Campus and by LAFCO to assess whether the project conforms to such revised policies. Because such policies have not yet been proposed, and no LAFCO approval is pending, it is impossible to determine whether any subsequent environmental review would be required.