CIP-3 SHORT-TERM PROJECT EXPLANATION

AGENCY: University of South Florida BUDGET ENTITY: <u>State University System</u> PROJECT TITLE: **USF Polytechnic Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research(Phase IIA)**

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PURPOSE, NEED, SCOPE, RELATIONSHIP OF PROJECT TO AGENCY OBJECTIVES

USF Polytechnic brings to the Central Florida Region and to the Florida High Tech Corridor (FHTC) the presence of a major research institution and the first and only Polytechnic institution in Florida. The applied teaching and research mission of the institution is reliant on and conducive to partnering with and serving the needs of an emerging high-tech region. An important manifestation of this presence is the delivery of high-quality undergraduate and graduate programs both to the citizens of the fastest growing part of Florida and to students from around the state and beyond. In addition, the Phase IIA Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research helps to provide the research potential associated with a major university and its ability to partner with existing organizations in research and development.

The economic growth of the region served by USF Polytechnic is dependent in large measure on the availability of well-educated citizens in numerous areas critical to the community such as: 1) community health, including life sciences and health sciences; 2) education; 3) business leadership, entrepreneurship, and economic development; 4) manufacturing technology and engineering; and , 5) information technology. USF Polytechnic is positioned to generate solutions to critical workforce needs and to enhance preparation of individuals/workforce training within these critical areas both now and in the future.

To meet the current and future needs of its constituents, USF Polytechnic has embarked upon expansion programs that **provide economic stimulus for the state** in multiple ways. This facility was originally scheduled to be part of a project (Phase II USF Lakeland new campus construction) to construct several buildings (300,000 gsf total) on the campus' new location at Interstate 4 and the Polk Parkway within the next 5 years. With the potential provided by commitment of private and corporate funds, the university is poised to accelerate the construction of this one facility (now to be called Phase IIA-Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research), providing immediate **job opportunities** thus **enhancing the local economy**. The additional private funds would enhance the facility in size and breadth of programmatic and research opportunities focused on community health and wellness. Community partnerships will ensue and will provide access to research programs, applied in nature and innovative in approach. The completion of the Phase IIA facility assures the university's ability to create **job growth** in fields that are in **critical demand** with an ever growing need and not only to ensure its capacity to grow with the community but also to provide the services necessary to demonstrate USF's institutional vision to realize quality of life integration with Central Florida communities and areas. In addition to research and educational purposes, this multi-purpose facility will provide spaces for academic support services for students, student-funded gathering and recreation spaces, health improvement spaces, and bonded or privately-funded food services, bookstore, shops, and aquatic facilities.

The University of South Florida now seeks the funding necessary to accelerate expansion of its new primary, comprehensive campus for USF Polytechnic by construction of the Phase IIA facility. While Phase I of this new campus provides a tremendous enhancement of the University's plan to provide increasing opportunities for complete undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs in the arts and sciences, business administration, education, manufacturing engineering and technology, and information technology. The Phase IIA Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research, in collaboration with the programs housed in the Allied Health building, will expand those opportunities in the area of community health and wellness for the residents of Central Florida and beyond.

The Phase IIA Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research development will include teaching labs, research labs and faculty/staff offices.

The enhanced definition of the needs and scope of the project has necessitated adjustment of the CIP request. These adjustments have caused the removal of this facility from the previous Phase II request in order to identify it separately. The Phase II request has been adjusted accordingly. Funds are being requested in order to allow construction of the Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence & Wellness Research to be completed in time for occupancy at the new Campus within the time frame Fall Semester 2012 to Fall Semester 2013. This occupancy date will coincide with the opening of the Campus and the expectations of

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anticipated start dates discussed in the community, among the Campus' Legislative Delegation, and by the donor of the land for the new Campus.

STATISTICAL JUSTIFICATION:

| Facility Type | Service Load | Planned Used Factor | User Stations Required | Existing Stations | New User Stations Req. | Space Factor | Net Area Req. |
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| Student Academic Support | | | | | | | 2,000 |
| Classroom | | | | | | | |
| Teaching Labs | | | | | | | 5,000 |
| Research Lab | | | | | | | 15,000 |
| Study | | | | | | | 2,000 |
| Office | | | | | | | 700 |
| Campus Support | | | | | | | 300 |
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| Project Total | | | | | | | 25,000 |

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