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**MARK YUDOF, PRESIDENT**  
**DANIEL DOOLEY, VICE PRESIDENT, ANR**  
**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA**

Re: Academic Council Special Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

Dear Mark and Dan:

At its meeting on December 15, the Academic Council approved the following resolution:

**RESOLVED: The Academic Council shall ask the President to ensure that regular consultation concerning all of ANR's activities occur with the standing committees of the Assembly of the Academic Senate, and shall ask the Senate Chair and Vice Chair to develop and propose a charge, including suggested membership, for an appropriately constituted Special Committee of the Academic Council on Agriculture and Natural Resources.**

Subsequently, on February 23, the Academic Council approved a charge and membership for the new committee (enclosed), the Academic Council Special Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources (ACSCANR).

ANR activities are closely integrated into academic programs at three campuses and ANR research support engages faculty and students throughout the University. Council believes it is important to have a formal vehicle for consultation regarding ANR's role in the academic, research, and public service missions of the University. In addition, the Council is interested in the impact of ANR funding on resources that might go to other activities.

We are in the process of identifying membership in the special committee and I am hopeful that the group will begin its deliberations in the next couple of months. I anticipate that the special committee will want to meet with Provost Pitts and Vice President Dooley and also will want to collect information regarding the funding and activities of ANR.

President Yudof  
Vice President Dooley  
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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss the committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel L. Simmons". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Daniel L. Simmons, Chair  
Academic Council

Copy: Academic Council  
Lawrence Pitts, Provost and EVP  
Martha Winnacker, Academic Senate Executive Director

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## **Academic Council Special Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources (ACSCANR)**

**Charge:** To consult with leadership from the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR), on a regular basis, to review the mission and strategic objectives of the Division, and to consider issues related to the ANR budget, the Division's academic and capital planning, and the intersection of its academic and outreach missions. The Special Committee shall report its findings to the Academic Council, and to the relevant standing committees of the Academic Senate annually.

The Special Committee will regularly consider the academic planning aspects of budgetary allocations to ANR. The Committee will advise the Academic Council concerning how any issues before the Academic Senate, or under consideration by ANR, affect the overall quality and success of ANR programs and their relationship to the academic mission of the University. The Task Force shall monitor ANR's role within the overall teaching, research, and public service missions of the University, and evaluate ANR's ability to carry out its activities in a manner that supports the standards of excellence in teaching, research, and public service consistent with the University's responsibilities under the California Master Plan.

### **Recommended Task Force Membership (9 members)**

- On an alternating two-year term basis, the incoming vice chairs of CCGA, UCORP, and UCPB (or a designated representative of the committee who is expected to serve for two years); these appointments will alternate, with at least one vice chair joining the Task Force in odd-numbered years, and at least one joining in even-numbered years, so that there will always be at least one of these members serving their second year on the Task Force.
- The chair of the Task Force shall be an individual serving the second year of a two year term on the Task Force. The chair shall be selected by the Academic Senate chair and subject to approval by the Academic Council.
- The division chairs or vice chairs from the three ANR campuses---Berkeley, Davis, and Riverside. The division chair will serve unless the division chair appoints the vice chair. These terms will be annual, with repeat service as appropriate for individuals whose appointments as chair or vice chair extend beyond one year.
- Three "at-large" members, selected by UCOC, based on their expertise on the relevant issues in agriculture and natural resources, and their knowledge and experience with ANR. At least one of these members will be appointed from a campus that does not have Experiment Station appointments. These terms shall be two-year appointments, with the option of reappointment by UCOC.