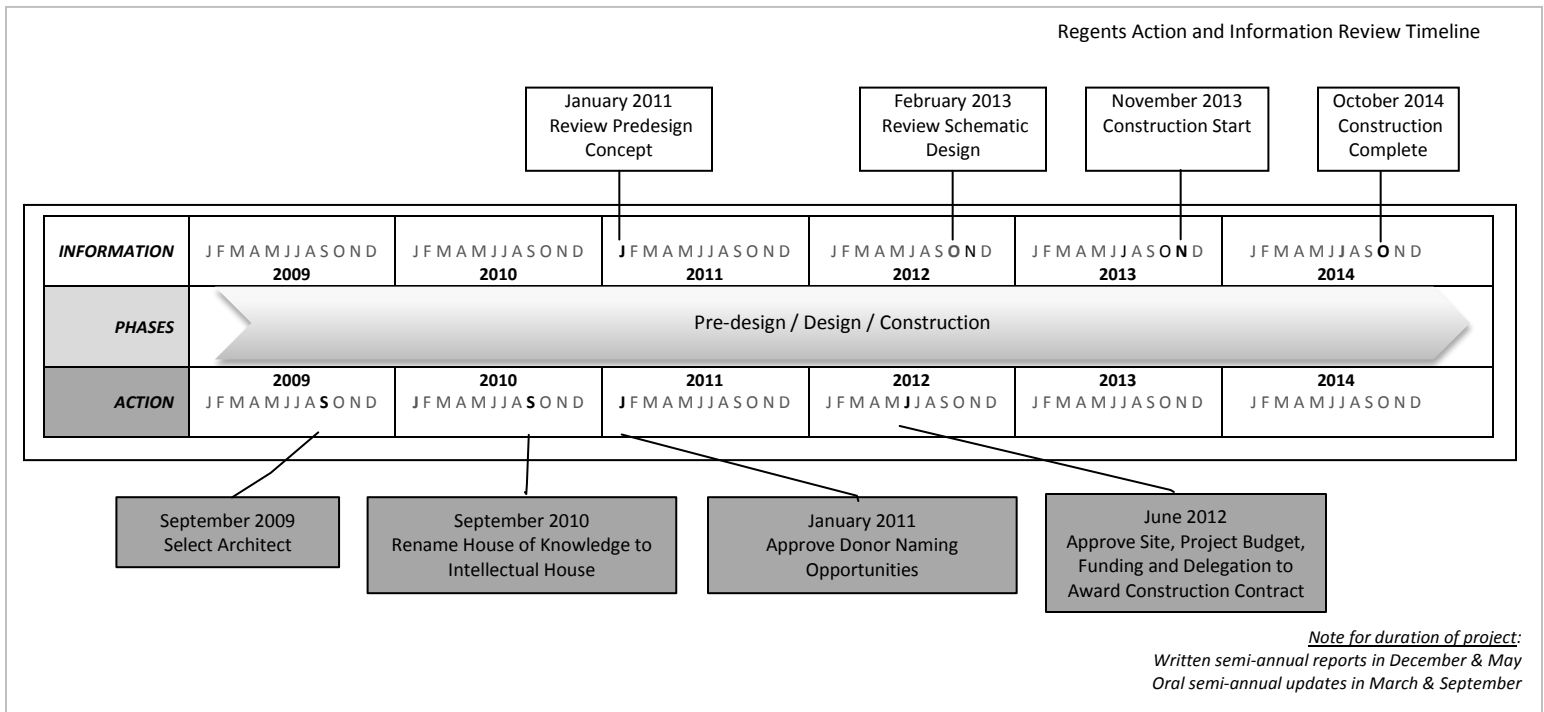


VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

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wə́təbʔaltx<sup>w</sup> (Intellectual House) Phase I – Review Schematic Design



INFORMATION

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BACKGROUND

The wə́təbʔaltx<sup>w</sup> (phonetic pronunciation wah-sheb-altuh) project is a project 37 years in the making that grows out of a long and increasingly active partnership between the University and the region’s tribal nations. For decades, community members have sought to create a home away from home for Native American students; a place that will enable students to maintain strong ties to family and culture while helping them to successfully accomplish their educational goals at the University.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The wə́təbʔaltx<sup>w</sup> project is proposed as two phases. Phase I will provide a multiservice learning and gathering space for Native American students, faculty, and staff as well as provide the opportunity for various cultures and communities

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to come together in a supporting and welcoming educational environment to share their knowledge and cultures with one another. Phase I includes a one-story Gathering Building of approximately 8,400 square feet, plus an outdoor gathering space. The outdoor area site design will include a gathering space for up to 150 people, a ceremonial space, cooking area, teaching area, Native arts exhibit area, traditional use plants and medicine garden, basket plants/bio-swale garden, drop-off and welcome area, elder service and bike parking.

The wə́təbʔaltx<sup>w</sup> project will be designed to be reminiscent of longhouse-style traditions, and constructed in a manner consistent with the environmental awareness and sensitivity of the indigenous peoples of the Northwest. It will provide a culturally responsive learning environment for students, faculty, and staff, and it will service programs that promote and support the academic success of all Native American students. It will service the entire community through the dissemination of knowledge of the indigenous peoples of the Pacific Northwest and programs promoting the value of cultural diversity and respect for all cultures.

The future planned Phase II is dependent upon private donor funds. The donor naming opportunity plan was approved by the Board of Regents in January 2011. Phase II will construct a one-story Teaching and Learning Building with student programming, multi-purpose meeting spaces, an arts lab and an elders lounge. This building will also be approximately 8,400 gross square feet. Site improvements between the buildings will complete the project.

#### SCHEDULE

Phase I is planned to be open for use at the start of Winter Quarter 2015.

Architect Selection	September 2009
Predesign	October 2009 – May 2012
Design	June 2012 – August 2013
Bidding/Award	September 2013 – October 2013
Construction	November 2013 – October 2014
Occupancy	December 2014

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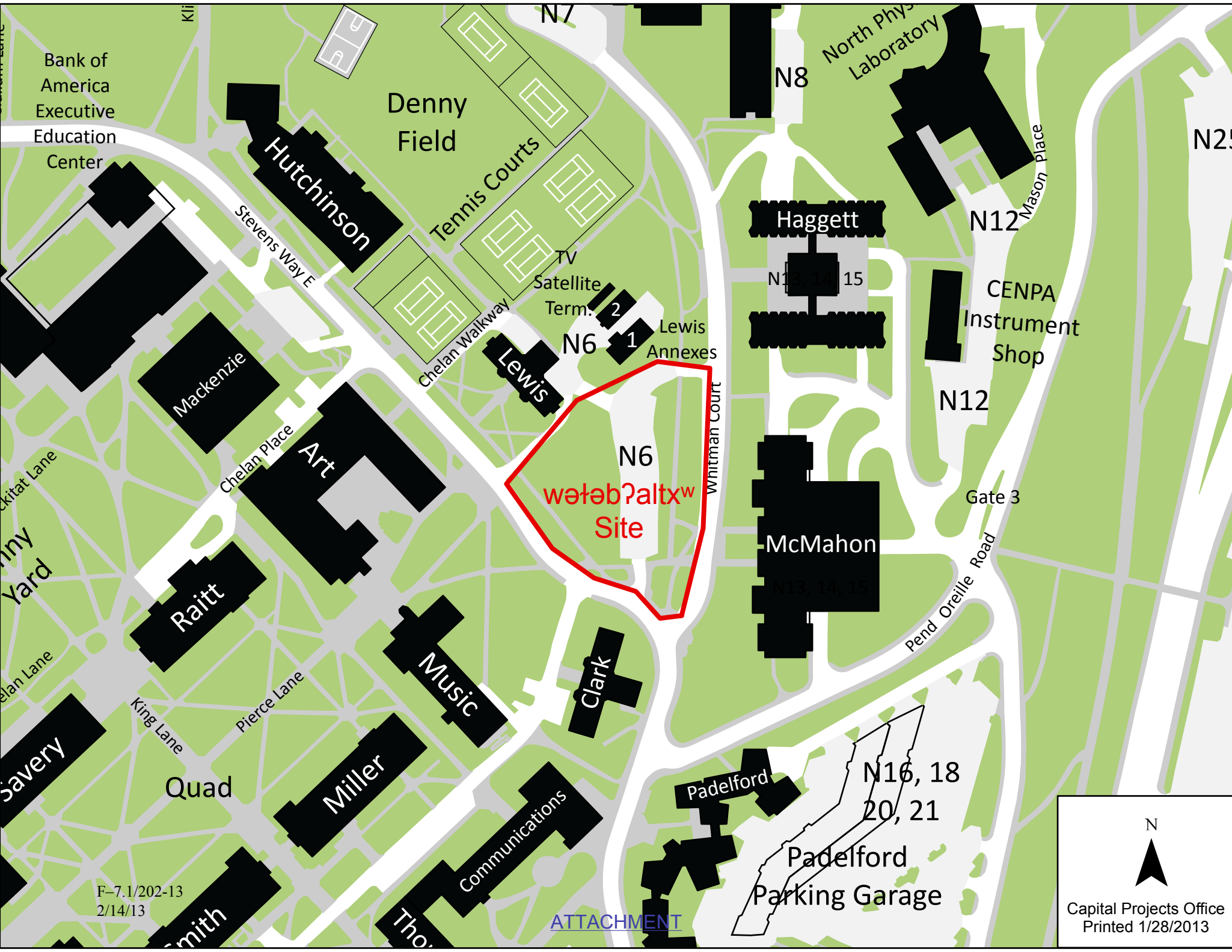
#### PROJECT BUDGET AND FUNDING

The project budget is \$5.853 million. Funding is from a combination of donor, State, and Central Funding. No University debt funding is used in the project.

#### PREVIOUS ACTIONS

September 2009	House of Knowledge architect appointment approved
September 2010	House of Knowledge renamed wəʔəbʔaltx <sup>w</sup> (Intellectual House)
January 2011	Approve Donor Naming Opportunities Plan and Review the Predesign Concept
June 2012	Approve Site, Budget, Funding, and Delegate Construction Contract Award

*Attachment*  
Site Vicinity Map



Bank of America Executive Education Center

Denny Field

North Phys Laboratory

Hutchinson

Tennis Courts

Haggett

CENPA Instrument Shop

Mackenzie

Lewis

Lewis Annexes

N15

Art

N6 Site

McMahon

Raitt

Music

Clark

Miller

Padelford

Quad

Communications

N16, 18, 20, 21

Padelford Parking Garage

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