February 5, 2016

Mr. Stan Carrizosa
Superintendent/President
College of the Sequoias
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Dear President Carrizosa:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2016, reviewed the Midterm Report, submitted by College of the Sequoias, and the evidentiary materials also submitted. College leadership, including the president of the governing board, and the college president, certified the Report. The purpose of the Commission’s review is to determine whether the college continues to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies (hereafter called standards).

After considering all of the written material noted above, the Commission finds that the college has sustained the work accomplished since the last comprehensive evaluation and has maintained compliance with the standards previously identified in the 2012 comprehensive evaluation team report and linked to College Recommendation 1 through 7. The Midterm Report also included the status of the college’s Self-Identified Improvement Plans from the Self Evaluation Report of 2012.

The Commission expects that the changes and improvements noted in the Midterm Report will continue forward in college policies, procedures, practices and outcomes. This will be verified at the time of the next regularly scheduled visit. The College’s next comprehensive review will occur in fall 2018.

The Commission requires that you give the Midterm Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who signatories of your Midterm Report. This group should include the college leadership and the Board of Trustees. You should also make these documents available to all campus constituencies and the public by placing a copy on the college website.

Please note that in response to public interest in accreditation, the Commission requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution’s home page.
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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express appreciation for the work that College of the Sequoias undertook to prepare the Midterm Report. The Commission encourages the College’s continued work to ensure educational quality and to support student success. Accreditation and peer review are most effective when the college and the ACCJC work together to encourage continuous quality improvement in higher education. Thank you for sharing the values and the work of accreditation.

If you should have any questions concerning this letter or the Commission action, please don’t hesitate to contact me or one of the ACCJC Vice Presidents. We’d be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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President  

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