January 29, 2010

Dr. William Scroggins
Superintendent/President
College of the Sequoias
915 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Dear President Scroggins:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2010, reviewed the Midterm Report submitted by College of the Sequoias. The purpose of this review was to assure that the recommendations made by the evaluation team had been addressed by the institution and that the College had also provided an update on the self-identified planning agendas which were included in the institutional self study.

The Commission took action to accept the Midterm Report. Institutions are expected to meet Standards at all times during the six-year review cycle and to provide evidence that they have addressed and resolved all recommendations made by the previous comprehensive evaluation team. This will be confirmed at the time of the next regularly scheduled visit.

The Commission notes that the report submitted by College of the Sequoias provided a description of how it has responded to each of the recommendations for improvement contained in the 2006 Evaluation Team Report, frequently offering evidence of the work accomplished. The College also described the progress on most of the planning agendas from the last Self Study Report.

The Midterm Report will become part of the accreditation history of the college and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation. The Commission requires that you give the report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your college report. This group should include campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that all reports be made available to students and the public. Placing copies in the college library can accomplish this.

Please note that the next comprehensive evaluation of College of the Sequoias will occur in Fall 2012.
On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution’s educational quality and students’ success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and quality.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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c: Mr. Duncan Graham, Accreditation Liaison Officer
   Board President, Sequoias Community College District