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February 6, 2015

Mr. Stan Carrizosa
Superintendent/President
College of the Sequoias
915 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Dear Superintendent/President Carrizosa:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 7-9, 2015, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by College of the Sequoias, the report of the evaluation team that visited Monday, October 27, 2014 and the presentation by College representatives. The Commission acted to **Remove Warning and reaffirm accreditation.**

College Accreditation Reaffirmed:

Based on the evidence in the College Report and Team Report, the Commission found that the College of the Sequoias had fully addressed 2013 Recommendation 1 and remaining issues in 2012 Recommendations 3 and 7, resolved the deficiencies which led to noncompliance, and met Standards I.B.2, I.B.3, I.B.6, II.A.1.a, II.A.1.c, II.A.2.e, II.A.2.f, II.B.4, III.A, III.D.1.a, III.D.1.d, III.D.2.d, III.D.3, III.D.4, IV.A.2, IV.A.5, IV.B.1.g, IV.B.2, and IV.B.2.b.

The Follow-Up Report submitted in October 2014 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. 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 Follow-Up Report. This group should include the campus leadership and the Board of Trustees.

The Commission also requires that the Follow-Up Report and this Commission action letter be made available to students and the public by placing a copy on the College website. *Please note that in response to public interest in disclosure, the Commission now requires institutions to post accreditation information on a page no more than one click from the institution's home page.*

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies at all times during the six-year review cycle. College of the Sequoias must demonstrate to the Commission at the time of the Midterm Report that the recent changes implemented to resolve deficiencies and meet Eligibility Requirements and Standards have been sustained. The College of the Sequoias should submit its **Midterm Report** by **October 15, 2015.**¹

Mr. Stan Carrizosa
College of the Sequoias
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On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing support for the College's educational quality and students' success. The Commission congratulates the College of the Sequoias for the considerable work it has completed since fall 2012 to correct deficiencies and come into compliance with numerous Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and educational quality.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.
President

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¹ Institutions preparing and submitting Midterm Reports, Follow-Up Reports, and Special Reports to the Commission should review *Guidelines for the Preparation of Reports to the Commission*. It contains the background, requirements, and format for each type of report and presents sample cover pages and certification pages. It is available on the ACCJC website under College Reports to ACCJC at: <http://www.accjc.org/college-reports-accjc>.