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Members, Board of Trustees:

<u>CONSTRUCT AGRICULTURE RESEARCH FACILITY 1</u> (DESIGN PHASE) CAPITAL PROJECT

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the initiation of the Construct Agriculture Research Facility 1 - Design Phase capital project.

<u>Background</u>: Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 8:2, any capital project with an estimated scope of \$1,000,000 or more must be approved by the Board prior to initiation.

This project will initiate the design phase of an approximately 190,000 gross square feet research facility for the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment that will include research wet labs and office and support space. This new research facility is needed to replace existing program space that must be relocated to accommodate the expansion of the UK HealthCare patient care facility on the north side of Cooper Drive. The scope of work for the design phase will include detailed programming services, schematic design through construction documentation phases and budget estimates for all phases with project timelines. Additional Board approval will be required to initiate the construction phase.

This \$20,000,000 project, authorized by the 2022 Kentucky General Assembly, will be funded with agency funds.

Other____

