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June 29, 2015

Mr. Scott Thomason Superintendent/President College of the Siskiyous 800 College Avenue Weed, CA 96094

Dear President Thomason:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting June 3-5, 2015, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by College of the Siskiyous. The Follow-Up Report was certified by the president of the governing board and the college president.

Based on the College Follow-Up Report and evidence submitted, the Commission finds that College of the Siskiyous has not adequately addressed College Recommendation 1 from the Financial Review Task Force that led to noncompliance with Standards III.D.1.c and III.D.3.c. Therefore, the Commission acted to require College of the Siskiyous to include a special section in the Self Evaluation Report, due in the spring of 2016, that specifically addresses College Recommendation 1 to develop a long-range budget plan to resolve OPEB financing.

Institutions are expected to meet Eligibility Requirements, Accreditation Standards, and Commission policies at all times during the six-year review cycle. This will be verified at the time of the next regularly scheduled visit. The College will submit its Institutional Self Evaluation Report of Educational Quality and Institutional Effectiveness in preparation for the comprehensive review in **spring 2016**.

The Follow-Up Report submitted in March 2015 will become part of the accreditation history of the College. The Commission requires that you give the Follow-Up Report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your College staff and to those who were signatories of the Report. This group should include the campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that these documents 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.*

Mr. Scott Thomason College of the Siskiyous June 29, 2015

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to encourage your continued work to ensure College of the Siskiyous' educational quality and to support students' success. Professional self-regulation is the responsibility of an accredited college and the accreditor. Thank you for sharing in that responsibility.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.

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