### BACKGROUND

MiraCosta College faculty, staff, and administrative colleagues worked diligently and professionally over a compressed time period to complete three critical planning and governance documents that reflect the district’s commitment to planning and delineate the ways in which MiraCosta College constituent groups participate in and contribute to the district’s long-term and short-term planning. The three documents, in addition to the Comprehensive Master Plan, are the key elements to the district’s response to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges sanction, which is due by December 1, 2011.

### STATUS

The *MiraCosta Community College District Strategic Plan 2011-2014* is the district’s short-term plan that identifies the specific actions the district intends to take in order to achieve the Institutional Goals identified in the Comprehensive Master Plan.

The strategic plan includes institutional goals, institutional objectives, and action plans. The institutional goals were developed as part of the Comprehensive Master Plan and are broad statements that articulate how the district intends to improve its fulfillment of the mission statement and address anticipated challenges. The Institutional Objectives describe more specifically how the district plans to achieve its broader institutional goals and mission statement in a specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time-bound manner; and, Action Plans that describe in step-by-step sequence how the Institutional Objectives will be accomplished and assessed.

The format of the strategic plan includes two columns that will be used for the production of an annual progress report: “progress” and “indices of program improvement.” The progress report will identify the tasks that have been completed and will reinforce and sustain district-wide dialogue on its long-term and short-term goals.

### RECOMMENDATION

For information only.