

CAPITAL PROJECT STAGE GATE II: SINNHUBER AQUATIC RESEARCH LABORATORY (SARL) MODERNIZATION

Finance and Administration Committee
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Item 5c: Capital Project Stage Gate II: Sinnhuber Aquatic Research Laboratory (SARL) Modernization

- The board is asked to approve capital projects with budgets over \$10M.
- SARL is the result of an awarded NIH grant and was not included in the Ten-Year Capital Forecast reviewed by the Board in April of 2024. The project was approved by the FAC at Stage Gate I in March 2025.
- The project is advancing to the construction documents phase (Stage Gate II), which includes:
 - Completion of construction documents in preparation for bid and construction
 - Establishment of the GMP (guaranteed maximum price)

Sinnhuber Aquatic Research Laboratory (SARL) Modernization

Expected Budget

Expected Project Budget	\$13,528,453
Estimated Project Completion	Spring 2027
Floor Area (SF)	3,500
Location	28545 E. Hwy 34, Corvallis

Purpose: Modernizes the Integrated Specific Pathogen Free Zebrafish Core Facility to significantly upgrade the facility's capabilities and efficiency in supporting zebrafish research.

Facilities: 3,500 sf purpose-built aquatic facility, replacement of life support systems, modernization and automation of fish housing, maintenance and monitoring systems, and high-capacity tank washing.

Goals: Expand the capabilities of one of OSU's most productive research programs and secure the ability to conduct critical research.

SARL (existing)



SARL (proposed)



Recommendation

Staff recommend that the Finance & Administration Committee recommend to the board approval of a capital project budget of \$13,528,453 for the Sinnhuber Aquatic Research Laboratory (SARL) Modernization Project and advancement of the project to the construction phase.