Memorandum

To: University Senate

From: Blaine Lilly, Chair
Council on Academic Affairs

Date: March 18, 2016

A PROPOSAL FROM THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH
THE GLOBAL WATER INSTITUTE

WHEREAS faculty, staff, and leaders from eight colleges have collaborated to
create a university-wide Global Water Institute that embodies a
new model for conducting University research and solving
pressing global issues, and has direct relevance to and a record of
engagement with the Discovery Themes; and

WHEREAS the Institute integrates the assets of the University and layers them
with those of other key research universities, not-for-profits, non-
governmental organizations, industries, and governmental entities
to develop sustainable systems solutions for regional and global
water issues; and

WHEREAS the proposal adheres to the Guidelines for the Establishment and
Review of Academic Centers, including specification of an
administrative structure and funding sources including the Office
of Academic Affairs, the Office of Research, and the College of
Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and has letters of
support from both within and outside the University; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed and approved by a subcommittee
composed of members of the University Research Committee and
the Council on Academic Affairs, and then by the full Council on
Academic Affairs at its meeting on March 2, 2016; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University Senate approve the proposal
to establish the Global Water Institute.