



June 29, 2017

Dear AASHE STARS Review Committee,

Lewis & Clark is committed to learning, innovation, and principled action on matters related to sustainability. Our research and actions extend beyond our campus into the wider world, we build on the best available scholarship and practice in our endeavors, and we recognize the importance and interrelatedness of ecology, economy, and equity.

Lewis & Clark carries out this mission through undergraduate programs in the arts and sciences and postgraduate programs in the closely related professions of education, counseling, and law. The undergraduate environmental studies major situates environmental problems and solutions in a scholarly context, working alongside other academic disciplines to build a more livable world. Frequently ranked best in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, the law school program includes an extensive curriculum, outstanding faculty, and numerous practical skills opportunities. Additionally, our graduate school program explores how counseling psychologists can contribute to sustainability, drawing on scientific research and applying it to mental health practice.

Lewis & Clark mounts these programs as both separately valid and mutually supportive enterprises. In all its endeavors it seeks to be a community of scholars who are committed to diversity and sustainability as dimensions of a just society and that cultivates leadership and engagement in a complex and interdependent world.

As we move into the coming year, our community will come together to review our progress and set goals for future action on our campus and in the wider world. A key component of this work will include a temporary, part-time faculty position devoted to advancing the academic and learning components of our work.

We are thrilled to report our progress to the AASHE community and hereby affirm that the information in the submission has been checked for accuracy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. G. Ellis".

David G. Ellis
Interim President