Plan B Check List

___ Title Page- page 1 (see attached)

___ Signature Page- page 2 (see attached) – type in all information with the exception of signatures

___ 5 Standard Questions + any additional questions – page 3 (see attached)
  >You will be asked 5 standard questions for your oral examination.
  >The oral examination will be conducted by your two committee members, along with any other faculty who wish to join
  >The date and time of the oral examination will be determined by the student and his/her committee members.

___ Abstract – page 4

___ Appendices – located at the end of the paper

___ Paper (should be formatted the way your selected journal requires)

___ The final submission to the department office should be electronic version (Word) and hardcopy of Title Page, Abstract, Paper and Appendices. Hardcopies of the signature page and 5 standard question page must be submitted to the department office.

___ Hardcopy of format requirements stated by your selected journal

** Please make sure you are able to check off all the listed requirements for Plan B. The Thesis Committee Review Form will only signed by the Department Chair once a complete Plan B research paper is turned in and defended.

***Deadline for sending Graduate Division the results of the Comprehensive Exam is last day of final exams for that semester. The Graduate Advisor will only submit the form for passing the Comprehensive Exam after submission of the above listed materials and the approval of the Department Chair.
A Thesis
Presented to the
Faculty of
San Diego State University

In Partial Fulfillment
of the Requirements for the Degree
Master of Science
in
Geological Sciences

by
Your Name
Semester/Year
The student has satisfactorily completed the writing of a research paper and oral defense. The student has submitted an electronic version of the paper to the department. The committee has submitted a written record of the questions from the oral exam to the department.
**Oral Examination: 5 Standard Questions**

1. Explain your research project from basic geologic principles.

2. How does your research advance the state of the knowledge in your research area?

3. What part of your study do you feel most uncertain about?

4. Given an unlimited budget and more time, what additional resources or technologies would you use to improve your results?

5. What would be your recommendations in terms of science to design a follow-up study in order to make further advances in your research area?

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I certify that _________________________ has successfully passed an oral examination that included the above 5 questions.

(Student Name)

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Advisor

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2nd Committee Member