

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

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From: California Energy Commission
 1516 Ninth Street, MS-
 Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: Rahul Family Farms, L.P.

Project Title: Rahul Family Farms, L.P. 40.63kW Solar Project

Project Location – Specific: 4343 Broadway (Parcel # 10-190-034)

Project Location – City: Live Oak

Project Location – County: Sutter

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will install a ground-mounted solar photovoltaic energy system for existing on-site electric irrigation pumps. Two solar arrays will be located behind the residence on the west side of a 37.14 acre farm. Installation of the arrays will require some minor trenching and grading. No drilling, welding or heavy equipment will be required. The site had been cleared previously and currently is an empty space.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Suki Rahul

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1);
- Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3);
- Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4);
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number.
Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §§ 15301, 15304, and 15311
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number. Pub. Resources Code section 21080.35
- Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301: The project involves minor alteration and operation of existing facilities. Solar arrays will be installed to power existing on-site agricultural irrigation pumps and residence. These installations will not expand the existing agricultural use and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304: The project to install solar arrays involves minor grading, trenching, and backfilling to provide an alternate source of power for the existing on-site irrigation pumps and residence. These activities will not have a significant effect on the environment.

California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15311: The project will install new solar arrays accessory to the existing, on-going agricultural operation. These installations will not expand the existing agricultural use and will not have significant effect on the environment.

Each exemption is an independent basis for finding the project exempt.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Myoung-Ae Jones **Area code/Telephone/Ext:** 916-651-1464

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  **Date:** 6/17/19 **Title:** ECSI

Signed by Lead Agency
 Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research
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