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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
County Clerk  
County of: Fresno  
2220 Tulare Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

From: (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_  
State Center Community College District  
1171 Fulton Street, Fresno, CA 93721  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

Project Title: Reedley College Child Development Center  
Project Applicant: State Center Community College District  
Project Location - Specific:  
995 N. Reed Avenue (Assessor's Parcel Number 363-100-59ST).

FILED

DEC 19 2019 TIME 2:46pm

Project Location - City: Reedley Project Location - County: Fresno  
By: Jessica Munoz FRESNO COUNTY CLERK DEPUTY

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Please see attached.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Center Community College District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: State Center Community College District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15332. In-Fill Development Projects
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Please see attached.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Christine Miktarian Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 243-7181

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: [Signature] Date: 12/19/19 Title: Vice Chancellor, Operations

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

**Attachment to Notice of Exemption for  
Reedley College New Child Development Center Project**

**Project Location:** The Reedley College New Child Development Center Project site is located on the Reedley College campus located on the west side of Reed Avenue, north of Manning Avenue, in the City of Reedley, Fresno County, California (995 N. Reed Avenue, Assessor's Parcel Number 363-100-59ST).

**Project Description:** State Center Community College District (SCCCD) is proposing to construct a new Child Development Center on the campus of Reedley College to upgrade its existing Child Development facilities and provide expanded Child Development educational opportunities to students at Reedley College. The project is planned to include a Child Development Lab School for 100 children, instructional offices, faculty offices, and meeting rooms.

As part of the project, the college's existing Child Development facilities, which are located in three portable buildings totaling approximately 4,099 square feet, will be removed. The new Child Development Center building, a single-story structure with an area of 18,472 gross square feet (12,700 assignable square feet), will be located at the same site and will result in a net increase of 8,601 assignable square feet from the existing Child Development Center facilities. The total building square footage on the Reedley College campus is approximately 425,000 square feet within a developed campus area of approximately 100 acres. Thus, the new building represents a minor increase in campus square footage.

Construction of the new Child Development Center building is expected to begin in early 2020 and the building would be completed and operational by August 2021.

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

15332. IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. Class 32 consists of projects characterized as in-fill development meeting the conditions described in this section.

- (a) The project is consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations.

The Reedley College campus is designated Public/Institutional Facility in the Reedley General Plan Land Use Map and zoned "RCO" (Resource Conservation & Open Space). Schools and colleges are permitted in the RCO zone with a conditional use permit. Continued use as an educational facility is consistent with all applicable general plan policies.

- (b) The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses.

The Reedley College campus is within the city limits of Reedley. The addition of the project would involve construction on less than five acres of the existing campus. The project site is located within the existing campus, is developed with existing portable buildings and is surrounded by other campus uses. The campus is adjacent to urban residential development to the east and commercial development to the south.

- (c) The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species.

The project is within the existing Reedley College campus, which has existed at this location for over 60 years. The campus consists of buildings, sidewalks, parking lots, and turfed and landscaped areas, and is surrounded by urban development to the east and south. Therefore, the site would not provide habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species.

- (d) Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality.

The project will result in a net increase of approximately 8,601 assignable square feet on a campus with 425,000 square feet of building area (approximately a two percent increase). The project, as such, is a minor increase in campus square footage. Additionally, the population of users which the new Child Development Center facilities are expected to serve consists primarily of existing users at the campus (e.g. students and staff at Reedley College). While it is possible that the project may provide childcare services for additional users other than students and staff, it is expected that a substantial majority of users (over 80 percent) will consist of Reedley College students and/or staff. Similarly, because nearly all of the project's anticipated users are already at the campus, the project would not result in a substantial increase in vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Therefore, significant effects related to traffic, noise, air quality, and water quality are not anticipated. As with all building projects, there will be some construction noise, but the project site is not near any residential uses and the college would manage the construction of the project to have a minimal impact on existing college classroom operations. Based on the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's Small Project Analysis Level (SPAL) criteria, the project would have a less than significant impact on air quality. The Reedley College campus drains into the City's storm drainage system and not the nearby Kings River and will be subject to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System requirements. Water quality impacts, therefore, would be less than significant.

- (e) The site can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

Since the project is within the existing Reedley College campus, all utilities and public services are available and already in place. According to SCCCD staff, the new building can be adequately served with all required utilities and services.



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

# 2018 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/03/18) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
<b>E201910000449</b>
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT		12/19/2019
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER	
FRESNO COUNTY	E201910000449	

PROJECT TITLE		
REEDLEY COLLEGE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER		
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT		(559) 243-7181
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
1171 FULTON STREET	FRESNO	CA
		ZIP CODE
		93721

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency   
 School District   
 Other Special District   
 State Agency   
 Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,271.00 \$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,354.75 \$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program document (CRP)	\$1,077.00 \$	0.00

- Exempt from fee  
 Notice of Exemption (attach)  
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$1,112.00 \$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00 \$	50.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION	\$	0.00

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Cash   
 Credit   
 Check   
 Other 7059

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X  Jessica Munoz	Jessica Munoz Deputy Clerk