



**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

TO:  Office of Planning & Research  
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FROM: San Joaquin County  
Community Development Department  
1810 East Hazelton Avenue  
Stockton, California 95205

County Clerk, County of San Joaquin

**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2020049066

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**PROJECT TITLE:** Use Permit No. PA-1800177

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The project site is located on the east side of South Priest Road, 0.8 miles south of East French Camp Road, French Camp, San Joaquin County. (APN/Address: 193-220-15/9698 South Priest Road, French Camp.) (Supervisorial District: 1)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** A Use Permit application to establish a religious assembly facility for a maximum of 185 attendees. This facility will also host silent meditation retreats for an average of fifty (50) people at a time that will occur an average of eight (8) times per year. An average of fifteen (15) attendees will visit the site during the week and an average of sixty-five (65) attendees visit the site on the weekends. The facility anticipates a maximum attendance of 185 attendees on average of four (4) times per year during special holiday events. The existing single-family residence is not included as a part of this application. The project is planned for construction in two (2) phases over six (6) years. (Use Types: Religious Assembly-Neighborhood)

Phase 1 includes the following: conversion of an existing 5,000-square-foot agricultural building to a mixed use worship building; construction of a 3,700-square-foot kitchen addition to the mixed use worship building; and conversion of an existing 1,803-square-foot building to a private garage.

Phase 2 includes the following: construction of five (5) meditation retreat buildings totaling 7,800 square-feet (approximately 1,500 square-feet apiece); construction of a 5,900-square-foot pagoda building; construction of a 600-square-foot maintenance building; and conversion of the 1,803-square-foot private garage to an administration building.

The Property is zoned AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-acre minimum) and the General Plan designation is R/L (Low Density Residential).

**PROPONENT:** Kusalakari Corporation / Brian McNamara

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This is to advise that the San Joaquin County Planning Commission has approved the above described project on June 18, 2020, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that a complete record of project approval is available for review by the general public at the office of the San Joaquin County Community Development Department, 1810 East Hazelton Avenue, Stockton, CA 95205; or via website at https://www.sjgov.org/commdev.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 6-19-20

Name: Domenique Martorella Title: Deputy County Clerk

Signed by Lead Agency

Date Received for filing at OPR: