

Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works
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Project Title: Road 160 Sidewalk Improvements Project

Project Location - Specific: Ivanhoe, CA – Road 160 between Avenue 328 and Avenue 332.

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 1, Township 18 South, Range 25 East

Project Location - City: Unincorporated community of Ivanhoe **Project Location - County:** Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose and need of the project is to increase accessibility to active modes of transportation by providing pedestrian, bicycle and ADA facilities along Road 160, from Avenue 328 (State Route 216) to Avenue 332, in Ivanhoe, CA to improve safety and mobility; reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and promote public health and social interaction in the disadvantaged community. Construction of improvements consists of curb & gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, drive approaches, asphalt concrete paveouts, and drainage improvements. Construction is anticipated to begin in the Summer of 2023.

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));
- General Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061 (b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)**
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Section 300 (c)(14). Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301 and Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA of 1970, Section 300 (c)(14) are applicable and appropriate for this project

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare, Resource Management Agency

Project Planner/Representative: Reed Schenke, Director Area Code/Telephone: 559-624-7142

Signature:  _____ Date: 7/1/20 Title: Chief Environmental Planner
Hector Guerra

Signature:  _____ Date: 7/1/2020 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
Reed Schenke, P.E. RMA Director

X Signed by Lead Agency