

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: Merced
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

From: (Public Agency): Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority
7040 N Highway 59, Merced, California 95348
(Address)

Project Title: Landfill Gas Probes and Monitoring Wells

Project Applicant: Merced County Regional Waste Management Authority

Project Location - Specific:

Area to the east of the Highway 59 Landfill, 7040 N Highway 59, Merced, California.

Project Location - City: Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project would involve the placement of three or more temporary landfill gas (LFG) probes, near LFG probe 45, to identify the extent to which methane has migrated to the east of the landfill. Information obtained from the temporary probes would be used to inform the new eastern boundary of the landfill and to determine the location for new permanent LFG probes. Depending on the information obtained from the temporary LFG probes, up to four permanent LFG probes and one new groundwater monitoring well may be necessary within the 110-acre area east of the Highway 59 Landfill.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Merced County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Jerry Lawrie

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));
X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 30, Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, Section 15330
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Proposed activities would be carried out to prevent minimize, stabilize, mitigate, or eliminate the release or threat of release of LFG, a hazardous waste or substance. Activities would cost less than \$1 million. The project does not involve the use of a hazardous waste incinerator, thermal treatment unit, the relocation of residences or businesses, or release of volatile organic compounds into the air. Actions would be consistent with state and local environmental permitting requirements.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jerry Lawrie Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (209) 617-2128

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

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 11/02/2020 Title: Executive Director

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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