



This is to advise that the **TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**, as Lead Agency Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on December 17, 2024, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [will will not] have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. A Focused Subsequent Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures [were were not] made a condition of approval of this project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provision of CEQA.

This is to certify that the environmental document and record of project approval is available to the General Public and may be examined at: Tulare County Resource Management Agency, 5961 S Mooney Blvd., Visalia CA 93277.

Signature:  Date: 12/17/2024 Title: Chief Environmental Planner
Gary A. Mills

Signature:  Date: 12/17/24 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
Reed Schenke, P.E. RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Fees Required

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Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Fees Not Required – Fees Paid

Receipt Number: _____

Cc: California. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, 715 P St., Sacramento, CA 95814

Note: Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resource Code; Reference: Sections 21108, 21152 and 21167, Public Resource Code.

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tulare County Clerk
Room 105, Courthouse
221 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

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ASSESSOR / CLERK-RECORDER BY:
DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AT TULARE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Lead Agency: Tulare County c/o Resource Management Agency
5961 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000
Attn: gmills@tularecounty.ca.gov and jwillis@tularecounty.ca.gov

Applicant(s): Tulare County Solid Waste
5955 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7195

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

Project Title: Visalia Disposal (Landfill) Site and Biogas and Compost Facility – Landfilling Operations (previously named Visalia Landfill – Compost and Biomass Conversion Facility Project)

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021020054

Contact Person: Gary Mills, Chief Environmental Planner **Telephone Number:** 559-624-7911

Project Location: The Project site is located within the existing Visalia Landfill boundaries at 8614 Avenue 328, Visalia, CA 93291 (County APNs 070-020-030). The existing Visalia Disposal Site (Landfill) is located approximately one mile north of the City of Visalia, at the northeast intersection of Avenue 328 and Road 80. The site lies within the Traver USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle and within Sections 4, Township 18 South, Range 24 East, MDB&M.

Project Description: The County of Tulare is proposing the Visalia Disposal (Landfill) Site and Biogas and Compost Facility – Landfilling Operations Project. The Project is proposing a new, standalone permit for the biomass conversion/composting facility to exclusively receive 1,000 TPD of organic material as feedstock and 300 haul truck trips per day to transport the organic material to the Landfill site's biomass conversion/composting facility. It is anticipated that the landfilling operations at the Landfill will not change, that is, it will still be permitted to receive a maximum of 2,000 TPD of landfilling material and 900 vehicle trips per day. When combined with the biomass conversion/composting facility's tonnage and vehicle trips, the Landfill will cumulatively receive a maximum of 3,000 TPD of material and 1,200 vehicle trips. To summarize, the overall objective of the proposed Project is the addition of organic material and haul truck trips for the development and operation of a 2.0 mega-watt biomass conversion facility (to produce electricity, heat and biochar using wood fuel) and composting facility to comply with SB 1383 regulations.

The compost facility will typically operate as the same gate hours of operations for receiving waste material at the landfill, which is currently Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. covered aerated static pile processing has fans and blowers running 24 hours per day, 7 days per week so the processing hours will be 24 hours. The biomass conversion facility will run 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.