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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources ("County") is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed project identified below. The County has prepared a Supplemental Initial Study (IS) to determine the environmental effects of the proposed project and finds issuance of a Negative Declaration (ND) is appropriate. The County is making the IS/ND available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, from and including February 12, 2021 to March 18, 2021. The document will be made available for viewing on this share site:

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Project Title: Robert Gioletti & Sons Dairy Expansion Supplemental Well Permit Application 2020-118

Project Location: The Project is located on Assessor's Parcel No. 022-041-006, located in northern Stanislaus County at the Robert Gioletti & Sons main dairy complex located at 9769 W. Main Street. The Project is located approximately 5 miles west of the City of Turlock in unincorporated Stanislaus County.

Description of Project: In 2017, Stanislaus County completed a CEQA Initial Study (IS) to evaluate potential environmental impacts associated with expanding operations at the Robert Gioletti & Sons Dairy (Dairy). The 2017 IS determined that the proposed expansion would result in less than significant impacts to environmental resources, and a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) was issued for the Dairy expansion.

The Dairy has determined that a new supply well is required to meet the operating water demand. This Supplement IS evaluates impacts associated with permitting installation and operation of a new supply well. The existing barn and cooling water demand for the operation is met by two wells located west of the main dairy complex on the north side of West Main Street (Well 1 and Well 2, respectively). These wells extract water from the confined aquifer system that underlies the Corcoran Clay. The proposed well will be located at the main Dairy complex at 9769 W. Main Street (APN 022-041-006). Operation of the proposed well would thus shift some or all of the groundwater pumping to meet the Dairy water demand from the confined to the unconfined aquifer systems.

Signature: _____


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Address to Submit Comments and Review the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration:

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Review Period:

February 16, 2021 to March 16, 2021

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