

**NOTICE OF INTENT  
TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR THE MARTINS VIEW JERSEY DAIRY EXPANSION PROJECT**

**To:** Interested Persons

**From:** County of Merced  
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Merced County is the Lead Agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Martins View Jersey Dairy Expansion Project. Merced County intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project.

The project site is located on the west side of N. Hunt Road, 0.25 miles south of W. Baumbauer Road in the Gustine area of unincorporated Merced County as described in the attached Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND). Merced County is considering Conditional Use Permit Application No. CUP20-002 to allow the construction of two freestall barns, a replacement shade barn, and additional modifications of the dairy to increase the number of animals housed from 1,225 to 2,450.

The proposed IS/MND is available for public review from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the offices of the Merced County Community and Economic Development Department (address listed above) and online at the Merced County website at:

[www.co.merced.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=414](http://www.co.merced.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=414)

The public comment period on the IS/MND begins on March 15, 2021 and closes on April 13, 2021. Comments may be submitted to "Diana.Lowrance@countyofmerced.com" and should include the phrase "Martins View Jersey Dairy Expansion Project IS/MND" in the subject line. The public hearing for the project is tentatively scheduled to be heard at 9:00 a.m. on April 28, 2021 during the Planning Commission Meeting, located at 2222 'M' Street, Merced, CA 95340, Third Floor, Board Chambers. The live broadcast of the meeting will be also available to the public via a link on the Planning Commission page of the Merced County website:

<https://www.co.merced.ca.us/411/Planning-Commission>.

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