



# KINGS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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## PLANNING DIVISION

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### NOTICE OF PREPARATION AND INITIAL STUDY

**To:** Local, State, Federal Agencies and Interested Parties

**Project Title:** Conditional Use Permit No. 20-08 (High Roller Dairy Expansion)

**Lead Agency:** Kings County Community Development Agency  
1400 West Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California 93230

**Contact Person:** Chuck Kinney (559) 852-2670

**Project Description:** The Project includes the addition of an anaerobic lagoon digester and associated infrastructure adjacent to the western boundary of the dairy. The digester is located approximately 1,194 feet from the nearest residence (Figure 2-3). The digester is 300 feet x 264 feet x 32 feet and will hold approximately 10.5 million gallons. Once the digester and biogas infrastructure are operational, the site will generate approximately 20,749 million BTU/year, thus reducing dependence on fossil fuels that generate air pollution and greenhouse gases emissions, meeting the County and State's climate and energy goals to reduce energy usage, increase energy efficiency and increase the use of forms of renewable energy. In addition, several new dairy-related structures are proposed. The existing High Roller Dairy facility includes 5,333 dairy cows (Animal Units) housed in open lot shade structures and free stall barns. Existing manure travels to an existing storage lagoon in the center of the parcel, and cows are milked in the northeast corner. There is no proposed increase in the number of Animal Units.

The Project proposes to install the following new items:

Anaerobic Covered Lagoon Digester

Associated Digester Infrastructure:

- Biogas Blower/Mechanical Building
- Separator
- Sand lane
- Biogas Pipe
- Moisture Trap and Pad
- Stacking Slab
- Reception pit with rotating pumps and screen bypass pump

Dairy Structures:

- Three open lot corrals

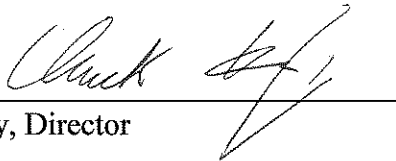
- Two free stall barn
- Two hay barns
- Dirt stacking area

The Kings County Community Development Agency will be the Lead Agency in the preparation of the Tiered Environmental Impact Report (TEIR). An Initial Study has been prepared for this project which includes a description of the project, environmental setting, potential environmental impacts, and mitigation measures for any significant impacts (available for download at <https://www.countyofkings.com/home/showdocument?id=27069>). Your agency may need to use this EIR prepared by Kings County when considering permits or other approvals which your agency requires to issue permits related to this project. If your agency requires particular environmental information pertinent to your agency's statutory responsibilities, please submit that information to the Kings County Community Development Agency. The response of responsible and trustee agencies should be sent at the earliest possible date. Time limits mandated by State law require that **responses be sent no later than 30 days after receipt of this Notice (August 23, 2021 at 5:00 PM)**. Responses should include a contact name at your agency and can be sent to:

Kings County Community Development Agency  
1400 W. Lacey Blvd., Building # 6  
Hanford, CA 93230

Our office appreciates your time and assistance with this project review. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at [Chuck.Kinney@co.kings.ca.us](mailto:Chuck.Kinney@co.kings.ca.us) or (559) 852-2670.

Signature



Chuck Kinney, Director

Date: July 21, 2021

**CONSULTING AGENCY LIST**

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Other Agencies	
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