

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Applicant(s): MFDI, LLC  
786 Road 188  
Delano, CA 93215  
661-725-6458

Project Title: Minor Modification, MIM 21-053, MFDI, LLC

Project Location - Specific: 18723 Avenue 8, Delano, CA 93215 (APN 338-030-007)  
Project Location - Section, Township, Range: Section 34, Township 24S, Range 26E

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Minor Modification to PSP 10-006, MIM 21-053 is to allow for the construction of a 100' x 225' x 28' tall metal building and septic system, for the processing and refining of nuts, berries, and industrial hemp. This will include five (5) areas dedicated to, extraction, distillation, crystallization, chromatography, and reactions. All additional products will be produced in an established location within the original approved areas. The intent of the applicant is increase diversity for the existing use. The beneficiaries of this project will be the County of Tulare and the Applicant.

**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));
- Common Sense Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 3 Section 15303(e) New Construction and Conversions of Small Structures**
- Statutory Exemptions: **CEQA Guidelines Section**

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project site is subject to an existing Special Use Permit of an allowable use in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural – 20 Acre Minimum) Zone. Section 15303 is appropriate and applicable as the proposed additions are accessory structures to the already approved use (Ag Service Establishment).

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Tulare County Resource Management Agency

**Project Planner/Representative:** Russell Kashiwa Telephone: (559) 624-7000

Signature:  Date: 2/2/22 Title: Chief Environmental Planner  
Hector Guerra

Signature:  Date: 2/23/22 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
Reed Schenke, P.E. RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: 2/28/22

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