

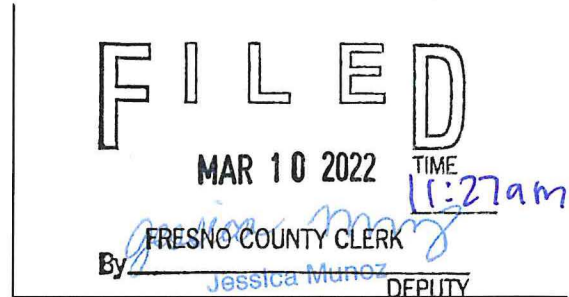


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# County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING  
STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION



For County Clerk's Stamp

Notice is hereby given that the County of Fresno has prepared Initial Study (IS) No. 8133 pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act for the following proposed project:

**INITIAL STUDY NO. 8133** and **CLASSIFIED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 3720** filed by **WESTSIDE FARMERS COOPERATIVE GINS, INC.**, proposing to allow the development and operation of an almond hulling/shelling facility within existing buildings previously used as part of a cotton gin operation, on a 21.41-acre parcel, along with an adjacent 43.83-acre and 94.40-acre parcel for temporary product storage, in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District. The project site is located on the south side of W. Clayton Avenue approximately 1,000 feet west of S. Tuolumne Avenue, and approximately 2.30 miles west-southwest of the unincorporated community of Tranquillity (APNs 028-041-16S, 028-041-62S, 028-081-53S) (28285 W. Clayton Avenue) (Sup. Dist. 1).

Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for Initial Study No. 8133, and take action on Classified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3720 with Findings and Conditions.

(hereafter, the "Proposed Project")

The County of Fresno has determined that it is appropriate to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project. The purpose of this Notice is to (1) provide notice of the availability of IS No. 8133 and the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, and request written comments thereon; and (2) provide notice of the public hearing regarding the Proposed Project.

### Public Comment Period

The County of Fresno will receive written comments on the Proposed Project and Mitigated Negative Declaration from March 14, 2022 through April 12, 2022.

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Email written comments to [jshaw@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:jshaw@fresnocountyca.gov), or mail comments to:

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning  
Development Services and Capital Projects Division  
Attn: Jeremy Shaw  
2220 Tulare Street, Suite A  
Fresno, CA 93721

IS No. 8133 and the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration may be viewed at the above address Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (except holidays), or at [www.co.fresno.ca.us/initialstudies](http://www.co.fresno.ca.us/initialstudies). An electronic copy of the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project may be obtained from Jeremy Shaw at the addresses above.

### **Public Hearing**

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider approving the Proposed Project and the Mitigated Negative Declaration on April 28, 2022, 2022, at 8:45 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, in Room 301, Hall of Records, 2281 Tulare Street, Fresno, California 93721. Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and comment on the Proposed Project and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration.

For questions, please call Jeremy Shaw (559) 600-4207.

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