

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Williams Family Farms, 6802 Avenue 120, Tipton CA 93272 559-799-8800

Project Title: Minor Modification No. MIM 21-057 for Special Use Permit No. PSP 03-044 / MIM 19-010

Project Location - Specific: South of Avenue 120 and west of Road 80, northwest of Pixley, at 6801 Avenue 120, Pixley, CA 93256
(APNs 293-180-013 & 293-180-010)

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Sections 19, 20, Township 22S, Range 24E

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: A Minor Modification for establishing a compost yard at an existing dairy facility approved by Special Use Permit [PSP 03-044 / MIM 19-010]. The subject site is located in the AE-40 (Exclusive Agricultural – 40 Acre Minimum) Zone, subject to the Rural Valley Lands Plan, with a land use designation of Valley Agriculture.

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 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities.**
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: The ground on the subject site has been previously disturbed by agriculture and dairy operations for several decades. Operations must comply with applicable state and local regulations. The project will not result in significant impacts and will not require additional public services. Therefore, the use of CEQA Sections 15303 and 15301 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

Project Planner/Representative: Tim Chi, Planner II

Telephone: 559-624-7086

Signature: 
Hector Guerra

Date: 03/28/22

Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Signature: 
Reed Schenke, P.E.

Date: 4/4/22

Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the OPR/SCH: 4/4/2022