

Notice of Exemption

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Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Fresno
2220 Tulare Street
Fresno, CA 93721

From: (Public Agency): Sanger Unified School District
1905 Seventh Street
Sanger, CA 93657

(Address)

FILED

MAY 26 2023

TIME

10:59am

Project Title: Fairmont School Agricultural Education Facility

Project Applicant: Sanger Unified School District

By: FRESNO COUNTY CLERK DEPUTY

Project Location - Specific:

3095 N. Greenwood Ave, Sanger, CA 93657 (Fresno County APN 309-410-29)

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Develop and operate an agricultural education facility on a 2.0-acre parcel immediately north of the Fairmont Elementary School campus (see attached). The purpose of the project is to provide agriculture-related educational facilities, programming, and activities, which will benefit students in the District.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sanger Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sanger Unified School District

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));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15314 (Minor Additions to Schools)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

See attachment

Lead Agency Contact Person: Ryan Kilby Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 524-7600

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/24/2023 Title: CFO

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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Attachment to Notice of Exemption for the Fairmont School Agricultural Education Facility Project

Project Location. The project site encompasses 2.0 acres of District-owned land located immediately north of the Fairmont Elementary School campus on the west side of N. Greenwood Avenue between Shields and Cortland Avenues in unincorporated Fresno County (Assessor's Parcel Number 309-410-29).

Project Description. Sanger Unified School District is proposing to develop the Fairmont School Agricultural Education Facility to provide agriculture-related educational facilities, programming, and activities for students at Fairmont Elementary School and the District. The facilities proposed for the project include:

- 102' x 40' lab building (wet/plant science)
- 82' x 40' lab building (innovation/makerspace)
- 36' x 28' farmers market building
- 50' x 24' greenhouse
- 75'x 50' livestock barn
- 30' x 30' livestock shelter
- 30' x 30' shade structure
- Area for planter boxes
- Area for pasture
- Area for row crops

Additionally, parking areas and ornamental fencing would be added along the south and east sides of the parcel, and the northwestern corner of the parcel would be used as a drainage area.

Activities planned to take place at the facility include classroom instruction related to agriculture, cultivation of plants and produce, rearing of livestock and poultry, farmers market activities, and occasional special events related to agriculture. The facility would generally be in operation during the District's regular instructional calendar, which includes weekdays from early August to early June. The facility may host special events and classes during evenings, on weekends, and during the summer recess.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The project can be found exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15314 (Minor Additions to Schools). Section 15314 provides an exemption for minor additions to existing schools where the addition does not increase the original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less. The project would not effectively increase student capacity at Fairmont because the classroom space added would be for special agricultural education purposes rather than general educational instruction. However, if the lab spaces were considered as classrooms, which would amount to an additional three classrooms spaces, the project would not increase the original student capacity by more than 25%. The original capacity of Fairmont, not counting added portables, is 500 and an additional three classrooms, loaded at 25 each, would increase capacity by 75. This would be an increase of 15% over the original capacity.

The project does not meet any of the exemption exceptions specified in Section 15300.2 in that there is no cumulative impact associated with the project; the project would not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; the project will not result in damage to scenic resources; the project is not located on a hazardous waste site; and the project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2023 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: E202310000154
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SANGER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 05/26/2023
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING FRESNO COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER E202310000154	

PROJECT TITLE
FAIRMONT SCHOOL AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION FACILITY

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME SANGER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (559) 524-7600
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 1905 SEVENTH STREET	CITY SANGER	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93657

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,839.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,764.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,305.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>


- Exempt from fee
- Notice of Exemption (attach)
- CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash Credit Check Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Cierra Loera Deputy Clerk
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