

Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

- To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814
- Tulare County Clerk
Room 105, Courthouse
221 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93291

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Lead Agency: Tulare County - Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works ph: 559-624-7142
5961 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277

Activity / Project Title: No Parking Restriction & Passenger Loading Only Zone on Washington Avenue, in Earlimart

Activity / Project Location - Specific: Washington Avenue (D128A) just west of State Drive (D136A) in Earlimart, CA

Activity / Project Location - Section, Township, Range: NE¼ of SE¼ of S33 T23S R25E

Activity / Project Location: Within the unincorporated community of Earlimart, CA

Activity / Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Activity / Project: This project will enhance vehicular circulation and pedestrian safety by creating a "No Parking" restriction and a "Passenger Loading Only" zone on Washington Avenue, just west of State Drive, for the Healthcare center and TCAT bus stop located there. Project will consist of installing "No Parking" and "Passenger Loading Only" signs along with painting the curb red and white as described, in the unincorporated community of Earlimart, CA.

In response to concerns regarding traffic and pedestrian safety with parked vehicles preventing the intended use of the roadway frontage, the Tulare County Resource Management Agency (RMA) investigated these concerns and determined that a "No Parking" restriction along with a "Passenger Loading Only" zone at this location would improve the situation and restore the frontage to its intended use.

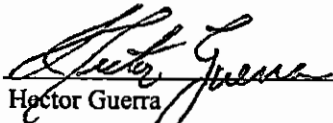
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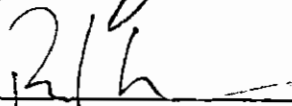
- Ministerial (PRC Sections 21080(b)(1); 15268));
- Declared Emergency (PRC Sections 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (PRC Sections 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemptions (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures)**
- Statutory Exemptions: N/A.

Reasons Why Activity/Project are Exempt from CEQA: This activity/project is intended to enhance vehicular circulation and pedestrian safety, and as such, the activity/project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to (14 Cal Code Regs, §15303). Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15303 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

Activity/Project Representative: Johnny Wong, P.E., Chief Engineer Telephone: (559) 624-7000

Signature:  Date: 9/12/23 Title: Chief Environmental Planner
Hector Guerra

Signature:  Date: 9/12/23 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
Reed Schenke, P.E.

Signed by Lead Agency