

Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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Activity / Project Title: One-Way STOP Control on Road 40 at Avenue 112, north of Alpaugh

Activity / Project Location - Specific: Road 40 at Avenue 112, north of the community of Alpaugh, CA

Activity / Project Location - Section, Township, Range: NW¼ of NW¼ of S27 T22S R23E

Activity / Project Location: North of the unincorporated community of Alpaugh, CA

Activity / Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Activity / Project: This project will enhance vehicular circulation and traffic safety by installing a One-Way Stop sign on Road 40 at Avenue 112, north of the community of Alpaugh, CA. This intersection is currently uncontrolled, with no Stop signs.

In response to traffic safety concerns at this intersection, the Tulare County Resource Management Agency (RMA) conducted an investigation. To improve the vehicular circulation and traffic safety, the Traffic Operations Division determined that this intersection meets the requirement of Section 2B.04 Right of Way at Intersections, of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), and is consistent with the California Vehicle Code (CVC), Section 22450(c), which states in part that “a local authority may adopt rules and regulations by ordinance or resolution providing for the placement of a stop sign at any location on a highway under its jurisdiction where the stop sign would enhance traffic safety”.


Exempt Status:


- 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 traffic safety as noted above, and as such, the activity/project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 Cal Code Regs, §15303(d). 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

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Signed by Lead Agency