## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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To:	⊠	Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814				FILED TULARE COUNTY
		Tulare County Clerk Room 105, Courthouse 221 South Mooney Blvd. Visalia, CA 93291			40	FEB 2 8 2024
Lead Agency:		Tulare County Resource Management Age 5961 South Mooney Blvd Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000 Attn: gmills@tularecounty.ca.gov and jv				SSOR / CLERK-RECORDER ILING AT TULARE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
Applicant(s):		Verizon Wireless 2785 Mitchell Drive Walnut Creek, CA 94598 (949) 259-3344				
Project Title:		Special Use Permit No. PSP 23-134 – Verizon Wireless				
Project Location - Specific: Located at 17361 Avenue 88, Earlimart, CA 93219 (APNs: 319-080-006).  Project Location - Section, Township, Range: Section 8, Township 23S, Range 26E  Project Location - City: Earlimart, CA  Project Location - County: Tulare						
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Special Use Permit No. PSP 23-134 to allow a new 150 foot tall monopole wireless facility with associated equipment on a 900 square foot portion of a 240+/- acre parcel in the AE-40 (Exclusive Agriculture – 40 Acre Minimum) Zone, within the Rural Valley Lands Plan, with the Land Use Designation of Valley Ag.						
Exempt Status: (check one)  □ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));  ⊠ Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15303, Class 3 pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Existing Structures  □ Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)  □ Statutory Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies						
Reasons why project is exempt: Project is categorically exempt, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, pursuant to Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Section 15303, Class 3, pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Existing Structures and, therefore, is not subject to CEQA. The Planning Director finds there is no substantial evidence that said Special Use Permit will have a significant effect on the environment and determines that the Notice of Exemption for said Special Use Permit reflects the independent judgment of the County and has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970.						
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tulare County Resource Management Agency						
Project Planner/Representative: <u>David Alexander, Planner III</u> Telephone: <u>(559) 624-7138</u>						
Gary A. Mills						Chief Environmental Planner
Signatur	re: Reed !	Schenke, P.E.	Date: 2/28/2	24	Title:	Environmental Assessment Officer RMA Director
⊠ Signed by Lead Agency			Date submitted to the OPR/SCH:			