
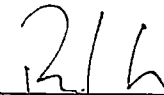


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Date: 3/4/2024

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Date: 3/6/24

Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the OPR/SCH: \_\_\_\_\_

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

## Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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Visalia, CA 93291

**Lead Agency:** County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency  
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**Applicant(s):** Tulare County General Services Agency  
2637 W. Burrel Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291 (559) 205-1100

**Project Title:** Government Plaza Parking Lot Project

**Project Location - Specific:** Near the northwest corner of Mooney Blvd. (SR 63) and Avenue 268, in Visalia Ca

**Project Location- Section, Township, Range:** N/A

**Project Location - City:** Visalia, CA      **Project Location - County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The Government Plaza Parking Lot Project will consist of repaving existing parking areas and parking lot drive lanes on the north side of the Government Plaza building. These areas are deteriorated and in need of repaving and will be repaved to match the existing pavement profile. The repaving will include the removal of the existing deteriorated asphalt concrete and the compaction of existing aggregate base or replacement of aggregate base in select areas. Once the existing paving demolition/removal is complete the new asphalt concrete paving will be installed. The work will be done in two phases. Phase I is the repaving of the parking under the solar shade structures and Phase II is the repaving of the loading dock area and the secondary entrance from Mooney Blvd. The existing curbs, gutters and landscaping will not be disturbed.

**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 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c) and Class 2 Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction**
- Statutory Exemptions:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This action is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. In this instance, parking areas and parking lot drive lanes, including the secondary entrance from Mooney Blvd. at Tulare County Government Plaza. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Number 300 Section 111. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS Class 1(c)(2) and Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction (c). As such, Sections 15301(c) and 15300.4 are applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

**Project Planner/Representative:** Andres Enciso, Capital Projects Coordinator II      **Telephone:** (559) 205-1137

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