



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: [X] Office of Planning and Research
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From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and
Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

[X] County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: Proposed Zoning Text Amendment to the County Zoning Code authorizing and establishing standards for agritourism uses in agricultural zoning districts (County File #CDZT22-00003).

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553

Project Location: Countywide

Lead Agency: Contra Costa County, Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA

Contact Person: Jennifer Cruz, (925) 655-2867

Project Description: A Zoning Text Amendment to the County Zoning Code to establish size and location standards, sales requirements, and other regulations governing agritourism uses in agricultural zoning districts. The ordinance also recodifies Chapter 88-20 (Agricultural Farm Stands and Farm Markets) as Chapter 824-4 (Grower Stands, Farm Stands, and Farm Markets). The ordinance also amends Chapters 84-82 and 84-84 to allow stables in A-40 and A-80 agricultural zoning districts with the issuance of a land use permit.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development, (925) 655-2705

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268)
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a])
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c])
Categorical Exemption (Sec.)
General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
Other Statutory Exemption (Sec.15274)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The zoning text amendment is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), which provides that a project is exempt from CEQA when it is covered by the general rule that CEQA only applies to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment and does not apply where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility of a significant effect. The zoning text amendment would authorize the establishment of agritourism uses in agricultural zoning districts after the issuance of a ministerial permit or a land use permit. No specific project is approved with this Zoning Text Amendment.

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? [X] Yes [] No

Signature: Jennifer Cruz Date: 03/07/24 Title: Principal Planner
Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and Development
[X] Signed by Lead Agency [] Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature

Title

Applicant

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Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due

- De Minimis Finding - \$0
[X] County Clerk - \$50
[X] Conservation and Development - \$25

Total Due: Receipt #: