

# Notice of Exemption

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**Lead Agency:** Tulare County Resource Management Agency  
5961 South Mooney Blvd.  
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**Applicant(s):** Frank Leyendekker  
8517 Avenue 360  
Visalia, CA 93291  
559-805-0050

**Project Title:** Minor Modification – MIM 24-013 to PSP 89-108 (ZA)

**Project Location - Specific:** 10485 Avenue 352, Visalia, CA 93291 (APN: 048-110-007, 048-110-005 and 048-070-040)

**Project Location- Section, Township and Range:** Section 26, Township 17 South, Range 24 East, MDB&M  
**Project Location - City:** N/A **Project Location - County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The Applicant proposes to add commercial composting to the existing permit, add 4.5 acres to the facility for a total of 6 acres to be used for commercial composting, and to drop the County's milk cow limit to allow the facility flexibility of animal types within the total animal units located on site. The beneficiaries of the project would be the citizens of Tulare County.


**Exempt Status:**

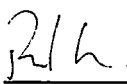
- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- General Rule: CEQA guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15061 (b)(3)) (No Possibility of Significant Impact)
- Categorical Exemption: Section 15300.1 Relation to Ministerial Projects
- Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15301, Class 1 pertaining to Existing Facilities

**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 15301 Existing Facilities. The use of Section 15301 is applicable and appropriate as the project will utilize existing facilities and fields to add commercial composting.

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

**Project Planner:** Jose Saenz Area Code/Telephone: 559-624-7000

Signature:  Date: 5/7/2024 Title: Chief Environmental Planner  
Gary A. Mills

Signature:  Date: 5/7/24 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
Reed Schenke, P.E.

Signed by Lead Agency

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