

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works
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Project Title: All-Way STOP Control on Avenue 152 and Road 152, Southwest of Woodville

Project Location - Specific: Avenue 152 and Road 152, southwest of the community of Woodville, CA

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 25, Township 21S, Range 25E, MDBM

Project Location - City: Southwest of the unincorporated community of Woodville, CA

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: This project will enhance vehicular circulation and traffic safety at the intersection of Avenue 152 and Road 152. It will consist of converting a Two-Way Stop to an All-Way Stop, just southwest of the unincorporated community of Woodville, CA. This intersection is currently controlled with Stops for north and southbound traffic only.

In response to concerns regarding traffic safety, the Tulare County Resource Management Agency (RMA) conducted an investigation. To improve the vehicular circulation and traffic safety at this location, the Traffic Operations Division determined that this intersection meets the requirements of Section 2B.07 Multi-Way Stop Applications 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: (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 (c) Existing Facilities**
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This project is intended to enhance vehicular circulation and traffic safety as noted above, and as such, the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 Cal Code Regs, §15303(d). Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301 (c) is applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

Project Planner/Representative: Johnny Wong, P.E., Chief Engineer

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Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to OPR: _____