

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Calgren Renewable Fuels
11704 Road PO Box E
Pixley, CA 93256 (559) 280-3240

Project Title: Special Use Permit No. PSP 24-011 – Calgren Renewable Fuels

Project Location - Specific: Located at the southwest of the corner of Avenue 108 and Road 64, west of Pixley, along State Route 43, (APN 293-210-010). Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 25, Township 22S, Range 23E
Project Location - City: Pixley, CA Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Special Use Permit No. PSP 24-011 to allow for a carbon sequestration test well, on a 10.1 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,

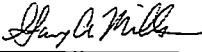
Exempt Status: (check one)


- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15268 (b) pertaining to Ministerial Projects, Issuance of permits for well construction, deepening, reconstruction or destruction pursuant to Chapter 13 of Part IV of the Tulare County Ordinance
- 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 15268 (b) pertaining to Ministerial Projects, Issuance of permits for well construction, deepening, reconstruction or destruction pursuant to Chapter 13 of Part IV of the Tulare County Ordinance 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: David Alexander, Planner III Telephone: (559) 624-7138

Signature:  Date: 8/1/2024 Title: Chief Environmental Planner
Gary A. Mills

Signature:  Date: 8/1/24 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
Reed Schenke, P.E. RMA Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the OPR/SCH: _____