

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Applicant(s): Springville Church of the Nazarene  
P.O. Box 256  
Springville, CA 93265 (559) 539-2884

Project Title: Minor Modification No. MIM 24-062

Project Location - Specific: APN(s): The subject site is located at 35384 Lenard Road, Springville CA, 93265 (APNs: 285-202-002 & 285-202-001).

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 2, Township 21S, Range 29E Mount Diablo Principal Meridian.

Project Location - City: Springville, CA Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: This project is a grandfather determination of an existing church use and its building located in R-A (Rural Residential) zone parcel at the corner of Ward Avenue and Lenard Road 35384 Lenard road, Springville CA 93265 (APNs 285-202-002 & 285-202-001). The beneficiaries are the property owners.

Exempt Status: (check one)


- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Categorical Exemption: Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline Section 15303, Class 3 pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.
- Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 pertaining to Existing Facilities
- Categorical Exemption: 15061 (b) (3) pertaining to the Commonsense Rule.
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: Based on Supporting CEQA Analysis for this Project the proposed project is consistent with the criteria outlined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 pertaining to Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of existing facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; MIM 24-062 is a grandfather determination for existing church use and its buildings, the church property was purchased on April 17, 1964, and the church use and the buildings existed before that. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301, Class 1, is applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

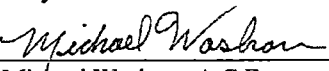
Project Planner/Representative: Nebeyu D. Menkir

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Signature:   
Gary A. Mills

Date: 1/7/2025

Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Signature:   
Michael Washam, A.C.E.

Date: 1/16/2025

Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
RMA Associate Director

Signed by Lead Agency

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