

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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221 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works
5961 South Mooney Blvd.
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Project Title: Poplar Pedestrian Connectivity Project

Project Location - Specific: Poplar, CA – Avenue 145 between Road 190 and Road 193

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 34, Township 21S, Range 26E, MDBM

Project Location - City: West of Porterville

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project consists of the installation of pedestrian facilities and drainage infrastructure along Avenue 145 from Road 190 to Road 193. The proposed improvements include installation of curb and gutter, sidewalks, curb ramps, driveways, storm drain drainage inlets, manholes, and underground storm drainpipes. The purpose of the project is to improve safety and mobility of non-motorized users within the Community of Poplar. Construction is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2027.

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 Exemption: CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Structures (c) and Section 15300.4**
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Class 1 Section 15301, Existing Structures (c), as activities associated with the project will include alteration of existing facilities with negligible or no expansion of capacity. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Number 300 Section 111. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS Class 1: Existing Facilities (c). As such, Sections 15301 and 15300.4 are applicable and appropriate for this project.

Environmental Assessment Officer: Reed Schenke, P.E., RMA Director/ EAO

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare Board of Supervisors

Project Planner/Representative: Michael Winton, P.E.

Telephone: (559) 624-7107

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: Chief Planner

Gary A. Mills

Environmental Planning Division

Signature: _____
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

Date: _____





Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to LCI/SCH: _____



Legend

-  Project Location
-  State Route
-  Property Lines
-  Poplar Community Limits

