Notice of Exemption

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To:

Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Merced, CA 95340 County Clerk County of Merced 2222 M Street Merced, CA 95340 Minor Modification No. MM23-022 to Conditional Use Permit No. CUP 3577 for Eddie Silveira Dairy Dairy **Project Title:** Digester **Project Applicant:** 4Creeks Investments, LLC Located on the west side of South Cherokee Road, approximately 1.5 miles south of West Fahey Road in **Project Location:** the Gustine area, identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 070-090-033 and 070-112-018 **Project Project City:** Gustine Merced County County: **Project Description:** The project proposes to construct, install, and operate an anaerobic dairy digester and necessary infrastructure accessory to an existing dairy facility. The necessary infrastructure includes the lining and covering of a new pond on-site, to standards required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). This also includes a biogas conditioning pad. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Merced, Community & Economic Development Department Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Ana Hernandez, Planner I **Exempt Status:** ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 145269(b)(c)); Section 15301 ("Existing Facilities") and Section 15311 ☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: ("Accessory Structures") ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: ☐ Other Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves establishing a dairy digester accessory to an existing dairy facility. The project does not involve an expansion or intensification of the dairy use or structures in terms of the area and space occupied by the dairy; or an increase in the number of animals. On-site employees, business or production output and daily vehicle traffic for the dairy would not change. **Lead Agency Contact Person:** Ana Hernandez, Planner I **Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (209) 385-7654 ext. 4422 Signature & Date: Title: Planner I Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Date Code. Received Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public for filing:

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