

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

TO:

☒ Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ County Clerk
County of: Merced
Address: 2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

FROM:

Public Agency: East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (ETSGSA)

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Address:

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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2022010100

Project Title: Asai Farm Stormwater Pond Project (proposed project; Figure 2)

Project Location (include county): 13261 Cortez Avenue, Turlock CA; Merced County Figure 1

Project Description: The proposed project would repurpose up to approximately 8 acres of irrigated agricultural land in Merced County through the construction of a passive stormwater capture and infiltration pond system under a 10-year Incentive Agreement with ETSGSA. The stormwater capture and infiltration pond system, or stormwater pond, would be constructed approximately 15 feet from an existing agricultural drainage ditch. The stormwater pond would range from one to three feet in depth, requiring some excavation and grading. The stormwater pond would be designed to capture and retain stormwater runoff from surrounding lands.

This is to advise that the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency has approved the above described project on
(☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

8/27/2026
(Date)

and has made the following determinations regarding the above described projects.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, and the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

<https://turlockgroundwater.org/>

Signature (Public Agency)

Karen L. Whipple

Title: Board Secretary

Date: September 3, 2026

Date Received filing at OPR:

September 3, 2026

MATT H. MAY
COUNTY CLERK

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

By *Haley Jones*
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