

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Permit No. 20024 – To Authorize Cross Creek Bridge Repair

Project Applicant: Tulare County Resource Management Agency

Project Location: The Project is located along Drive 60, which is located approximately four miles south of the community of Traver, in Tulare County, California, at 36.404283°N 119.456889°W, Cross Creek Designated Floodway, Tulare County.

Project Description: To authorize the 87-foot, three span concrete Diagonal 60 bridge over Cross Creek and the reinforced foundations with rocks for erosion protection of the embankment, bents and abutments, and sealing any eroded areas that may have developed around or beneath the bridge abutments.

Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board)

Lead Agency/Contact, Phone Number: Tulare County Resource Management Agency; Grey Thompkins, Project Manager; 5961 South Mooney Blvd, Visalia, CA, 93277; 559-624-7000; gtompkins@tularecounty.ca.gov

Exempt Status:

- 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 Sec. 15061(b)(3))
- Categorical Exemption. [Section 15301](#)
- Statutory Exemption.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301), because the activity consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use. No expansion of existing or former use will occur. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Chris Lief

3/27/2026

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer Date

- Signed by Public Agency Signed by Responsible Agency

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.