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From: City of Hanford – Gabrielle Myers
317 N. Douty Street
Hanford, CA 93230
(559)585-2578

Project Title: Pioneer Union Elementary School District Site Acquisition

Project Location – East of 12th Avenue, between Flint and Fargo Avenues
occupying a 16.44-acre (gross), 14.01-acre (net), portion of APNs 007-010-031-000
and 007-360-018-000

Project Location – City: Hanford **Project Location – County:** Kings County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The project is a request by the Pioneer Union Elementary School District, for a finding of General Plan Consistency, in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21151.2 and Government Code Section 65402, for the acquisition of a future elementary school site.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Hanford

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pioneer Union Elementary School District c/o John Raven

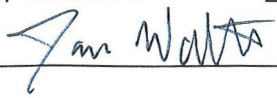
Exempt Status: **(check one)**

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 152698);
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269 (a));
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
☐ Categorical Exemption: State type and section number:
☒ Statutory Exemption. State code number: 15061(b)(3), CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, and PRC Section 21083.3

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed land acquisition by the Pioneer Union Elementary School District for a future elementary school is exempt from CEQA review because it does not involve any immediate development or physical alterations to the site and therefore has no potential for environmental impact at this stage. Additionally, the acquisition aligns with the City of Hanford's General Plan, including applicable land use designations and school siting criteria. The acquisition is consistent with a previously certified Environmental Impact Report for the City of Hanford 2035 General Plan and no further review is required at this stage. The project's development is contemplated in the Fargo Village Mixed Use Development EIR (SCH# 2024080949).

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jason Waters Telephone: (559) 585-2578

Signature:  Date: July 27, 2026 Title: Deputy City Manager

☒ Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____
☐ Signed by Applicant

Applicant Information:

Name: John Raven, Pioneer Union Elementary School District Superintendent
Address: 1888 North Mustang Drive, Hanford, California 93230
Phone Number: 559-585-2400 x 4100

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KINGS COUNTY CLERK**

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that on the date below I posted a copy of this notice in the office of the County Clerk that said notice remained posted for 30 days.

Date JUL 27 2026
KRISTINE LEE, County Clerk Recorder
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