

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Decade Dairy
Eric Westra (Owner)
3045 Avenue 256
Tulare, CA 93274 (559) 804-6809

Project Title: Minor Modification No. MIM 25-008

Project Location - Specific: 3313 Avenue 256, Tulare, CA 93274 (APN 147-010-015)

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 29, Township 19S, Range 23E

Project Location - City: Tulare, CA Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Applicant, Decade Dairy (Eric Westra, Owner), is requesting to allow for the transfer and consolidation of 1,571 animal units from Tri Palm Dairy to Decade Dairy to bring the County's permitted total for Decade Dairy to 9,455 animal units. The beneficiary of the project is for the Applicant.

Exempt Status: (check one)

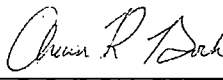
Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 3 Section 15301 Existing Facilities

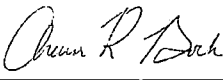
Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities, which consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. In this instance, the proposal includes the transfer of animals from one existing dairy facility to this dairy facility. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301 is 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

Project Planner/Representative: Jose Saenz, Planner IV, Project Planner Telephone: (559) 624-7000

Signature:  Planning Director For Date: 6.18.25 Title: Chief Planner,
Gary A. Mills Environmental Planning Division

Signature:  Planning Director For Date: 6.18.25 Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

Signed by Lead Agency Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: _____