

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Applicant(s): Ron Vander Weerd
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Project Title: Minor Modification – MIM 25-027 to PSP 87-107 (PC)

Project Location - Specific: 13000 Avenue 128, on the north side of Avenue 128, and approximately 2,600 feet west of Road 136, north of Pixley (APN: 300-060-001)

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 16, Township 22S, Range 25E

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Special Use Permit No. PSP 87-107 (PC) was approved by the Tulare County Planning Commission on November 18, 1987, which established a dairy/feedlot with 2,000 milking stock and 2,850 support stock (3,677 animal units) on a 150-acre parcel in the AE-40 (Exclusive Agricultural – 40 acres minimum) Zone. The requested minor modification to Special Use Permit No. PSP 87-107 (PC), is to add one (1) freestall barn, and four (4) future freestall barn structures. The beneficiaries of the Project would be the applicant.

Exempt Status: (check one)

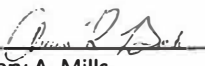
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Common Sense Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines 15303(e) Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures**

Reasons why project is exempt: Project is categorically exempt, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, pursuant to Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Section 15303(e) New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. The use of 15303(e) is applicable and appropriate as the proposed project will not alter the approved use of the site and is for accessory structures. The additional freestall barn structures would add greater comfort for the animals. Therefore, the lead agency concludes that the proposed Project fits under the exemption as it is consistent with the Tulare County Zoning Ordinance and General Plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tulare County Resource Management Agency

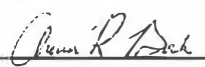
Project Planner/Representative: Russell Kashiwa

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Signature:  For
Gary A. Mills

Date: 8/28/2025

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Environmental Planning Division

Signature:  For
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

Date: 8/28/2025

Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: _____