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SCH #

Project Title: 18.22.2 & 18.24.1 Rodriguez Park Multi-Purpose Field and Retention Basin Improvements

Lead Agency: County of Kern

Contact Person: Natalie Lopez

Mailing Address: 2700 M Street Suite 250

Phone: 661-862-5144

City: Bakersfield

Zip: 93301

County: Kern

Project Location: County: Kern

City/Nearest Community: Shafter

Cross Streets: 200 West Los Angeles Avenue

Zip Code: 93263

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 35 ° 29 ' 33.46 " N / 119 ° 16 ' 51.69 " W Total Acres: 3.5

Assessor's Parcel No.: 026-160-21

Section: 16

Twp.: 28 S

Range: 25 E

Base: MDBM

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: Hwy 43

Waterways: N/A

Airports: N/A

Railways: BNSF RR

Schools: Richland Primary School

Document Type:CEQA: ☐ NOP☐ Draft EIRNEPA: ☐ NOIOther: ☐ Joint Document☐ Early Cons☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR☐ EA☐ Final Document☐ Neg Dec

(Prior SCH No.)

☐ Draft EIS☐ Other:☐ Mit Neg Dec

Other: Exempt 15301

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Acres

☐ Office: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Transportation: Type☐ Commercial: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Mining: Mineral☐ Industrial: Sq.ft.

Acres

Employees

☐ Power: Type

MW

☐ Educational:☐ Waste Treatment: Type

MGD

☒ Recreational: Park Facilities☐ Hazardous Waste: Type☐ Water Facilities: Type

MGD

☒ Other: Drainage Basin**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**☒ Aesthetic/Visual☐ Fiscal☒ Recreation/Parks☐ Vegetation☒ Agricultural Land☒ Flood Plain/Flooding☐ Schools/Universities☐ Water Quality☒ Air Quality☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☐ Septic Systems☒ Water Supply/Groundwater☒ Archeological/Historical☐ Geologic/Seismic☒ Sewer Capacity☒ Wetland/Riparian☒ Biological Resources☐ Minerals☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☐ Growth Inducement☒ Coastal Zone☒ Noise☐ Solid Waste☒ Land Use☒ Drainage/Absorption☐ Population/Housing Balance☒ Toxic/Hazardous☒ Cumulative Effects☐ Economic/Jobs☒ Public Services/Facilities☐ Traffic/Circulation☐ Other:**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Park/Recreation Zone: CF Community Facilities General Plan Designation: Parks & Schools

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The project is for the design, construction, and installation of multi-purpose recreation field lighting, plus expansion of an existing retention basin and installation of new underground pipelines used for storm water collection and conveyance, and related park and facility improvements. Project meets eligibility requirements under 570.201(c) and a National Objective under 570.208 (a)(1); HUD Use Code 03F-Park, Recreational Facilities. Activity 18.24.1 includes additional ADA access ramp and related improvements

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☐ California Emergency Management Agency	☒ Parks & Recreation, Department of
☒ California Highway Patrol	☐ Pesticide Regulation, Department of
☒ Caltrans District # 6	☐ Public Utilities Commission
☐ Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	☒ Regional WQCB # 5
☒ Caltrans Planning	☐ Resources Agency
☐ Central Valley Flood Protection Board	☐ Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
☐ Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	☐ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
☐ Coastal Commission	☐ San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
☐ Colorado River Board	☐ San Joaquin River Conservancy
☐ Conservation, Department of	☐ Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
☐ Corrections, Department of	☐ State Lands Commission
☐ Delta Protection Commission	☐ SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
☐ Education, Department of	☒ SWRCB: Water Quality
☐ Energy Commission	☐ SWRCB: Water Rights
☒ Fish & Game Region # 4	☐ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
☐ Food & Agriculture, Department of	☒ Toxic Substances Control, Department of
☐ Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	☒ Water Resources, Department of
☐ General Services, Department of	
☐ Health Services, Department of	Other: _____
☒ Housing & Community Development	Other: _____
☒ Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 9/10/2025 Ending Date 10/10/2025

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: <u>County of Kern</u>	Applicant: <u>City of Shafter/Michael James</u>
Address: <u>2700 M Street Suite 250</u>	Address: <u>720 Commerce Way</u>
City/State/Zip: <u>Bakersfield, CA 93301</u>	City/State/Zip: <u>Shafter, CA 93263</u>
Contact: <u>Natalie Lopez</u>	Phone: <u>661-746-5004, ext. 5018</u>
Phone: <u>661-862-5144</u>	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 9/8/2025

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk
County of Kern
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

FROM: County of Kern
Planning and Natural Resources Department
2700 "M" Street, Suite 250
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Project Title: CD Activity #s 18.22.2 Rodriguez Park Multi-Purpose Field and Retention Basin Improvements;
18.24.1 – Rodriguez Park Multi-Purpose Field and Retention Basin Improvements

Project Location: The project will be located at 200 West Los Angeles Ave, Shafter, CA 93263

Project Description: The project is for the design, construction, and installation of multi-purpose recreation field lighting, plus expansion of an existing retention basin and installation of new underground pipelines used for storm water collection and conveyance, and related park and facility improvements. Project meets eligibility requirements under 570.201(c) and a National Objective under 570.208 (a)(1); HUD Use Code 03F-Park, Recreational Facilities. Activity 18.24.1 includes additional ADA access ramp and related improvements.

Project Funding: \$788,845.72 of CDBG- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Kern Planning and Planning and Natural Resources Department- Community Development Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: City of Shafter

Exempt Status: (Check One)

Statutory Exemptions. (Sec. 15260 to 15285, CEQA Guidelines). State code and number:

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269[a])
- ☐ Emergency (Sec. 15269[b] and [c])
- ☐ Other (Sec. _____)

☐ Exemption. (General Rule - Section 15061 (b) (3), CEQA Guidelines)

☒ Categorical Exemption. (Article 19 - Sec. 15300 to 15332 CEQA Guidelines),

State type and section number: Class 1 and 3 exemptions per Sections 15301 and 15303

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed activities are listed as benefitting from a specific exemption per Section 15301 and 15303 of CEQA Guidelines. The project is exempt per 15301 as the improvements allow for a minor expansion of existing drainage improvements, and per 15303 as it will allow minor park facility improvements within an existing park.

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Prepared By:


Natalie Lopez, Planner I

Date:

9/8/25

Approved By:


Dennis McNamara, Division Chief

Date:

9/8/25

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing:
Date of Hearing: N/A

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