

Notice of Exemption

2025-EIR-128

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From: (Public Agency): City of Gustine  
352 Fifth Street  
Gustine, CA 95322

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County of: Merced  
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Merced, CA 95340

(Address)

Project Title: Environmental Justice Element (GPA2025-01)

Project Applicant: City of Gustine

Project Location - Specific:  
City-wide

Project Location - City: Gustine Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
GPA2025-01 adopts the City of Gustine Environmental Justice Element and incorporates it into the Gustine General Plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Gustine

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Gustine

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Common Sense Exemption 15061(b)(3)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

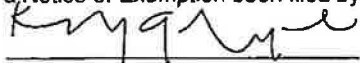
An Addendum to the City's certified General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was previously prepared and adopted in connection with the adoption of the Housing Element, which analyzed the Safety and Environmental Justice Elements along with associated rezonings and related General Plan and zoning amendments.

The current action involves the adoption of the Environmental Justice Element, which is consistent with the scope of the previously adopted Addendum. It can be seen with certainty that adoption of this element will not result in a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, the project is exempt from further environmental review under the common sense exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3).

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Kelsey George, Contract Planner Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-854-6471

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 10/08/2025 Title: Contract Planner

▪ Signed by Lead Agency    Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_