

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**Applicant(s):** Geostan Duffin  
16734 Avenue 188  
Strathmore, CA 93267 (559) 840-5379

**Project Title:** Special Use Permit PSP 25-066-Geostan

**Project Location - Specific:** Located on the northwest corner of Avenue 184 & Road 232 bordering State Hwy 65, 18411 Road 232, Porterville, CA 93267. (APN: 243-040-042)

**Project Location- Section, Township, Range:** Section 4, Township 21S, Range 27E

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

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Special Use Permit No. PSP 25-066 requested to allow an Agricultural Service Establishment for the storage of agricultural equipment such as, tractors, tree toppers, brush shredders, brush rakes, trucks, and semi-trucks on a 5.4-acre property located in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural – 20-acre minimum) Zone. The site is located within the Rural Valley Lands Plan, with the Land Use Designation of Valley Agriculture. The beneficiary is the property owner.

**Exempt Status:** (check one)

- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)**
- Statutory Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies


**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 15301, Class 1, pertaining to Existing Facilities. This exemption applies because: the proposed use involves minor alterations to an existing facility, project does not have the potential to cause a significant effect on the environment, and no additional public services are required to support the proposed use.

**Environmental Assessment Officer:** Reed Schenke, P.E., RMA Director/ EAO

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** County of Tulare

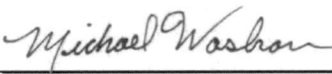
**Project Planner/Representative:** Nebeyu Daniel Menkir, Planner II

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Signature:   
Gary A. Mills

Date: 10/22/2025

Title: Chief Planner,  
Environmental Planning Division

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

Date: 10/22/2025

Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: \_\_\_\_\_