

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Stanislaus

1021 I Street, Suite 101

Modesto, CA 95354

From: (Public Agency): Reclamation District 2092

3599 Shiloh Road

Modesto, CA 95358

(Address)

Project Title: Camp Taylor Educational Native Garden Project

Project Applicant: River Partners & Camp Taylor

Project Location - Specific:

8224 W Grayson Road, Modesto, CA 95358

Project Location - City: Modesto

Project Location - County: Stanislaus

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Camp Taylor Educational Native Garden Project encompasses 3 acres of land along the San Joaquin River in Stanislaus County. The project will establish native riparian vegetation to provide habitat for native wildlife and pollinators. This project will also be used as a demonstration garden so the camp can incorporate environmental education into their curriculum for children with heart disease. The land will be revegetated with native trees, shrubs and herbaceous species. The work will be performed in a degraded grassy area onsite and an existing irrigation system will be updated to establish and maintain the new plantings. The Project includes invasive plant removal, planting, educational signage, maintenance, scientific monitoring of outcomes/wildlife use.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Reclamation District 2092

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: River Partners and Camp Taylor

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: S. 15333 Small Habitat, 15301 Ex. Facilities, 15304 Minor Alter. to L

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects), §15301 (Existing Facilities) and §15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), as none of the exceptions under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply. The project is less than five acres in size and will provide for the restoration, enhancement and maintenance of habitat for native wildlife; update and maintain an existing irrigation system; and is a minor private alteration to flat lands using typical gardening/landscaping methods with no removal of mature healthy scenic trees.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Neil Wilson

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-262-7944

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: Neil Wilson

Date: 12/15/2025

Title: Secretary

■ 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: _____