

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Merced

2222 M Street

Merced, CA 95340

From: (Public Agency): Merced County DPW

715 Martine Luther King Jr. Way

Merced, CA 95341

(Address)

2026-EIR-018

FILED

January 27, 2026

MATT H. MAY

COUNTY CLERK

Project Title: Bert Crane Road Over Bear Creek Emergency Bridge Repairs

Project Applicant: Merced County Department of Public Works

By Lea Z. Holguin
Deputy Clerk

Project Location - Specific:

Bert Crane Road Over Bear Creek (37°15'22.78", -120°39'06.39")

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project consist of repairing scour damages to the Bert Crane Road Over Bear Creek bridge. This project will improve safety, accessibility, and travel for roadway users.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Merced County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Merced County Department of Public Works

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: Section 15301, Class 1 (c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1(c) (maintenance of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use): Project consist of repairing an existing County bridge and involves no expansion of the existing use. This project will improve public safety. No right-of-way is required.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Alvaro Buenrostro Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209.385.7601

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: Alvaro Buenrostro Date: 01/27/2026 Title: Supervising Engineer

▪ 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: _____

Revised 2011



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

Print

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

24-01/27/2026-0018

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
MERCED COUNTY DPW		01/27/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER
MERCED COUNTY		2026-EIR-018
PROJECT TITLE		

BERT CRANE ROAD OVER BEAR CREEK EMERGENCY BRIDGE REPAIRS

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMNET OF PUBLIC WORKS		(209) 385-7601
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
715 MARTINE LUTHER KING JR WAY	MERCED	CA
		ZIP CODE
		95341

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,227.50 \$ _____
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 3,043.75 \$ _____
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,437.25 \$ _____

☒ Exempt from fee☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ _____
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ _____ 50.00
☐ Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X Lea Holguin

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Lea Holguin Deputy Clerk

MATT H. MAY

MERCED

County Clerk - Recorder

2222 M STREET

MERCED, CA 95340

(209) 385-7627

Public Works

Finalization No.: 202602371

Cashier: clerk2

Register: REC-COUNTER03

Date/Time: 01/27/2026 01:21 PM

Description	Fee
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Document No.:	2026-EIR-019
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Transaction Fee:	\$50.00
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Transaction Total:	\$50.00
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Total Amount Due:	\$50.00
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Total Paid

House Charge:	\$50.00
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Amount Due:	\$0.00
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