

# NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

## Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To:  Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tulare County Clerk  
Room 105, Courthouse  
221 South Mooney Blvd.  
Visalia, CA 93291

**Lead Agency:** County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency  
5961 S. Mooney Blvd.  
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000  
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**Applicant(s):** Tulare County Resource Management Agency  
5961 South Mooney Blvd.  
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000

FILED TULARE COUNTY
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ASSESSOR / CLERK-RECORDER BY:
DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING AT TULARE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

**Subject:** Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

**Project Title:** Allensworth Community Plan Update (General Plan Amendment No. GPA 25-006 and Specific Plan No. SPA 25-001)

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2026020313

**Contact Person:** Gary Mills, Chief Planner, Environmental Planning Division

**Telephone Number:** 559-624-7199

**Project Location:** The boundary subject to the Allensworth Community Plan Update generally includes the approximately 5.9 sq. mile area south of Avenue 56, west of State Route 43 and the railroad, north of Avenue 24, and east of the planned California High Speed Rail line. It is approximately 3.6 miles east of the Community of Alpaugh, 7 miles west of the Community of Earlimart, and approximately 6 miles northwest of the City of Delano. The project is within the USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle(s) of Allensworth, Alpaugh, and Delano West, and Sections 4, 5, 8, 9, 15, 16, and 17, Township 24 South, Range 24 East, MDB&M. and Sections 31 and 32 of Township 23 South, Range 24 East, MDB&M.

**Project Description:** A Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared and a Notice of Determination (NOD) filed for the Allensworth Community Plan Update (General Plan Amendment No. GPA 25-006 and Specific Plan No. SPA 25-001).

The Tulare County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution 2022-0342 on April 19, 2022, approving the General Plan Initiation No. GPI 22-001 to authorize the Allensworth Community Plan Update to provide a roadmap for building on the existing cultural, ecological, and social assets of Allensworth to develop a beautiful and climate-resilient rural community that provides a safe place to live, learn, work, play, and prosper and attracts community-minded residents, including families, veterans, and retirees.

The boundary subject to the Allensworth Community Plan Update (General Plan Amendment No. GPA 25-006 and Specific Plan Project No. SPA 25-001) generally includes the approximately 5.9 sq. mile area south of Avenue 56, west of State Route 43 and the railroad, north of Avenue 24, and east of the planned California High Speed Rail line. The area within the boundary would be subject to the proposed Community Districts to designate particular character areas within Allensworth. The proposed plan's goals and objectives are consistent with the Tulare County General Plan 2030 Update's (2012) Planning Framework Element, Land Use Element, Environmental Resources Management, Open Space Element, Water Resources Element, Transportation and Circulation Element, Healthy and Safety Element, and the Environmental Justice Element.

The UDB Modification proposed through General Plan Amendment No. GPA 25-006 would modify the existing Allensworth Hamlet Development Boundary by adding approximately 2,794 acres to the proposed community Urban Development Boundary to encompass a total of approximately 3,845 acres. The GPA would also change the existing "Valley Agriculture" land use designation of the acreage currently within the RVLP to the "Mixed Use" land use designation. This modification would refine the Tulare County General Plan and increase the probability of receiving grant funding for the community.

The Specific Plan, Project No. SPA 25-001, proposed "Community Districts," which will direct future development in Allensworth. The proposed Community Districts are as follows: Town Center and Future Town Center Area, State Park and State Park Expansion Area, High Value Farm & Garden Area, Allensworth Community Savannah, and Historic Properties District. Each proposed district is defined in the Community Plan and lists consistent General Plan land use designations that will be used to guide future development.

This is to advise that the **TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**, as  Lead Agency  Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on **[03/31/26]**, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:


1. The project [ will  will not] have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures [ were  were not] made a condition of approval of this project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [ were  were not] made pursuant to the provision of CEQA.

This is to certify that the environmental document and record of project approval is available to the General Public and may be examined at: Tulare County Resource Management Agency, 5961 S Mooney Blvd., Visalia CA 93277.

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

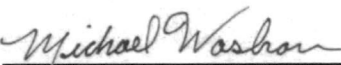
**Project Planner/Representative:** Emily Gage, Planner III

**Telephone:** 559-624-7000

Signature:   
Gary A. Mills

Date: 3/31/2026

Title: Chief Planner,  
Environmental Planning Division

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

Date: 3/31/2026

Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee

Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: February 9, 2026

Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Fees Required

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MND

ND

Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Fees Not Required – Fees Paid

Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cc: California. Dept. of Fish & Game, 1416 Ninth St., 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

Note: Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resource Code; Reference: Sections 21108, 21152 and 21167, Public Resource Code.