

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
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221 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency
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Applicant(s): Moonlight Dairy
John Moons (Owner)
4974 Avenue 272
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 240-1508

Project Title: Minor Modification No. MIM 26-007

Project Location - Specific: 5061 Avenue 280, Visalia, CA 93277 (APNs: 118-040-011, 118-040-015 and 118-040-028)

Project Location - Section, Township, Range: Section 10, Township 19S, Range 23E

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Applicant, Moonlight Dairy (John Moons, Owner), is requesting to allow for a new concrete silage slab, one (1) commodity barn, two (2) freestall barns, two (2) shade structures, two (2) loafing barns, nine (9) corral shade structures, additional calf hutches, additional open lot corrals and the relocation of the manure storage area to improve site layout and manure management efficiency located on an existing dairy site. The beneficiary of the project is the Applicant.

Exempt Status: (check one)


Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 11 Section 15311 Accessory Structures**


Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15311 Class 11, Accessory Structures, consisting of the construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities in this instance, the proposed construction of a new concrete silage slab, one (1) commodity barn, two (2) freestall barns, two (2) shade structures, two (2) loafing barns, nine (9) corral shade structures, additional calf hutches, additional open lot corrals and the relocation of the manure storage area located on the property as noted earlier. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15311 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare

Project Planner/Representative: Jose Saenz, Planner IV, Project Planner **Telephone:** (559) 624-7000

Signature:  Date: 4/1/2026 Title: Chief Planner,
Gary A. Mills Environmental Planning Division

Signature:  Date: 4/1/2026 Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

Signed by Lead Agency Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: _____