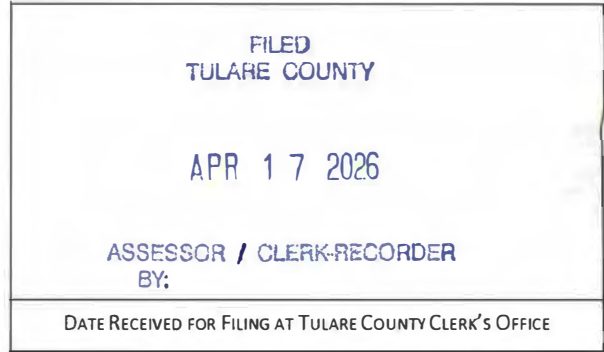


NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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): Norma Elisa Meja Hernandez
22070 Ave 312
Exeter, CA 93221 (559) 624-7000

Project Title: Special Use Permit No. PSP 25-096 – Hernandez

Project Location - Specific: Located at 22070 Ave 312 Exeter, CA 93221 (APN: 113-300-043).

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 17, Township 18S, Range 27E

Project Location - City: Exeter, CA Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Special Use Permit No. PSP 25-096 to allow a Second Residence, on a 3.50 acre parcel, in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agriculture – 20 Acre Minimum) Zone, within the Rural Valley Lands Plan, with the Land Use Designation of Valley Agriculture.

Exempt Status:


- Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: **Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15303, Class 3 pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Existing Structures**
- Statutory Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies


Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15303, Class 3 pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Existing Structures. Under AE-20 (Exclusive Agriculture - 20 Acre Minimum) zoning, which allows for additional residences and mobilehomes if occupied by relatives of the owner or lessee, farmworkers or employees who work on the property. In this instance, the addition of a second residence on a legally created parcel. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15303, Class 3 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: Brenda Alcantar Planner I Telephone: (559) 624-7132

Signature:  Date: 4/16/2026 Title: Chief Planner, Environmental Planning Division
Gary A. Mills

Signature:  Date: 4/16/2026 Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

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