

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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

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221 South Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency
5961 S. Mooney Blvd.
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Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works
5961 South Mooney Blvd.
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Project Title: Road 130 Palm Elementary Sidewalk Improvements Project

Project Location - Specific: Road 130 between Avenue 416 and Tactacan Avenue, Orosi, CA

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 8, Township 16S, Range 25E, MDBM

Project Location - City: Unincorporated community of Orosi

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to grind and replace the existing two-lane undivided, 40-foot-wide pavement section of Road 130 between Avenue 416 and Tactacan Avenue. All newly resurfaced roadways will receive new traffic stripes, pavement markings, and pedestrian crossings. Additional improvements include construction of curb and gutter, sidewalks, accessible curb ramps, drive approaches, and related striping/signing. Improvements to the path of travel will result in improved visibility for motorists approaching pedestrian crossings, accommodate people in disabilities, and increase safety for pedestrians using the facilities. The project will not result in an increase to the roadway's vehicular capacity. Efficient and responsive improvements of the County road networks will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the access of pedestrians throughout the region. Construction is anticipated to begin in summer of 2027 and is expected to be completed by fall of 2027. Beneficiaries of the project include vehicles and students/pedestrians utilizing this roadway corridor.

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));
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: **CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)**
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Class 1 Section 15301, Existing Structures (c), as activities associated with the project will include replacement of existing facilities with negligible or no expansion of capacity. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Number 300 Section 111. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS Class 1: Existing Facilities (c). As such, Sections 15301 and 15300.4 are applicable and appropriate for this project.

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

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Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare

Project Planner/Representative: Claudia Sanchez, P.E., Engineer IV

Telephone: 559-624-7000

Signature: 
Gary A. Mills

Date: Jun 2, 2026

Title: Chief Planner
Environmental Planning Division

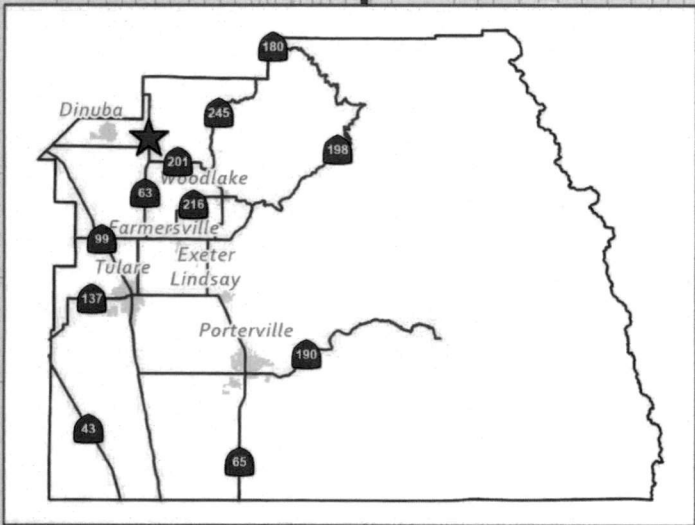
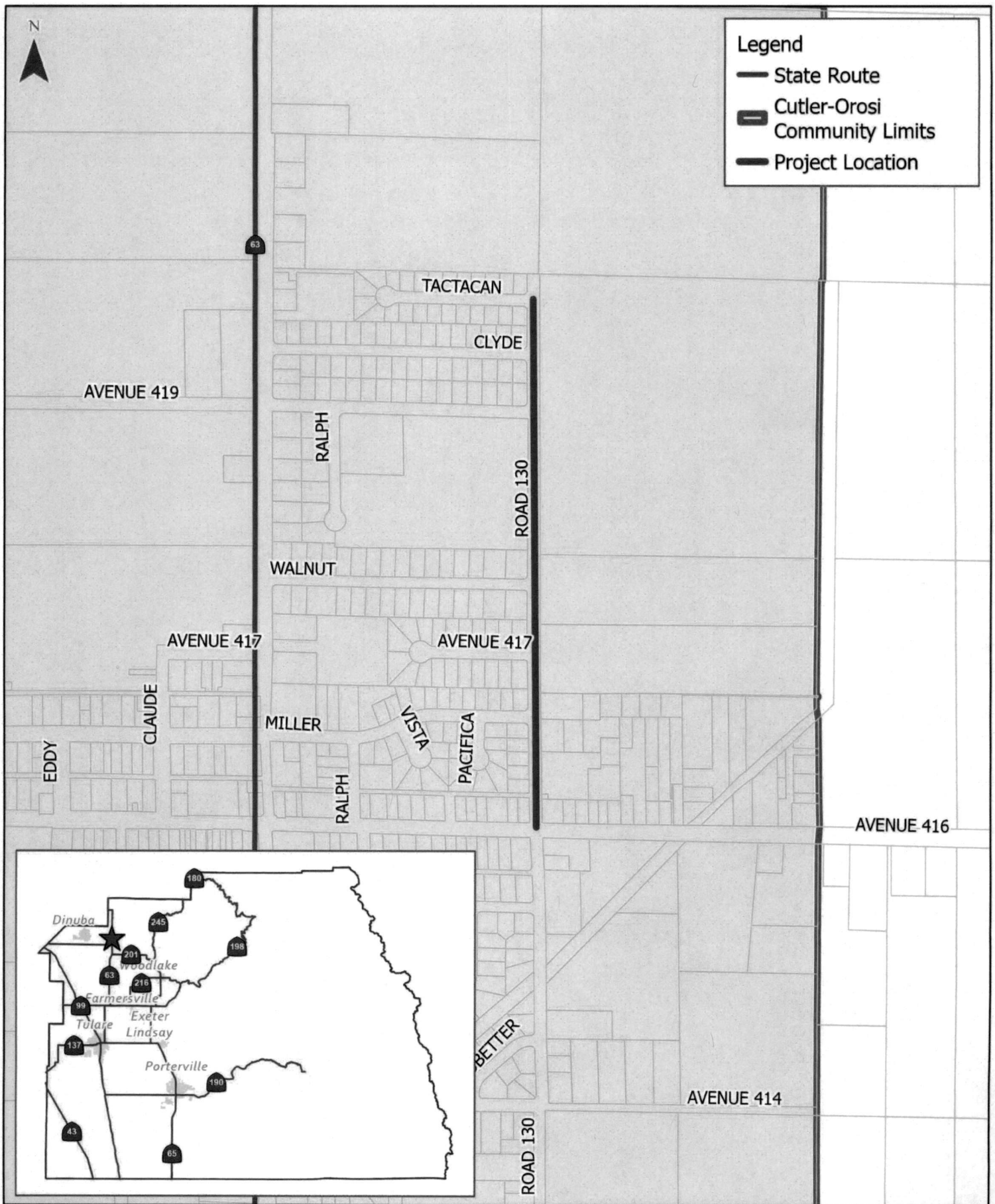
Signature: 
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

Date: Jun 2, 2026

Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date submitted to LCI: _____



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Road 130 Palm Elementary Sidewalk Improvements
Vicinity Map