

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Kern

1115 Truxtun Ave, First Floor

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From: (Public Agency): Maple Elementary School District
29161 Fresno Avenue
Shafter, CA 93263

(Address)

Project Title: Maple Elementary School Expansion

Project Applicant: Maple Elementary School District

Project Location - Specific:

29161 Fresno Avenue, Shafter, California 93263

Project Location - City: Shafter

Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Maple Elementary School District (District) proposes to expand the existing Maple Elementary School by constructing a student garden and 4H farm, five new classrooms, a new District office and a new parking lot. All improvements will be constructed on previously disturbed land on the east side of the existing school campus. The District anticipates that the expansion will not substantially increase the current student population or staff members. It will provide an enhanced educational experience to the students and more energy efficient buildings.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Maple Elementary School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Bryan Easter, Superintendent

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: Class 3 - §15303 (d) and Class 14 - §15314
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed improvements are consistent with Class 3 - §15303 (d) New Construction or Small Structures because all necessary utilities (water main, sewage, electrical, gas, etc.) will be expanded to a reasonable length from the existing school site that is adjacent to the proposed Project location. The improvements are also consistent with Class 14 - §15314 Minor Additions to Schools, as all improvements will be within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25 percent or ten classrooms. It offers students with new learning opportunities and new energy efficient classrooms and staff offices.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Bryan Easter, Superintendent Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (661) 746-4765

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: [Signature] Date: 20 June 26 Title: Superintendent

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: _____