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LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
MERCED COUNTY PLANNING DEPT		09/14/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
MERCED COUNTY	2026-EIR-111

PROJECT TITLE

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO CUP24-014 GEMPERLE FAMILY FARMS MANURE PELLETIZING FACILITY

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
GEMPERLE BROTHERS			
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
2222 M ST	MERCED	CA	95340

PROJECT APPLICANT *(Check appropriate box)*

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$ 4,227.50	$
☒ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	$ 3,043.75	$ 3,043.75
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$ 1,437.25	$
☐ Exempt from fee		
☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)		
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$ 850.00	$
☒ County documentary handling fee	$ 50.00	$ 50.00
☐ Other		$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other 34886 **TOTAL RECEIVED** $ 3,093.75

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X Ralph Wlm	Ralph Williams Deputy Clerk

ORIGINAL - PROJECT APPLICANT | COPY - CDFW/ASB | COPY - LEAD AGENCY | COPY - COUNTY CLERK | DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01012026)

2026-EIR-111
FILED
September 14, 2026
MATT H. MAY
COUNTY CLERK
By Ralph Wlm
Deputy Clerk

Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of Merced
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

From: Merced County
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95

Contact: Mark Hamilton,
(209) 385-7654
Mark.Hamilton@

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: 2026071201

Project Title:	Conditional Use Permit No. CUP24-014 - Gemperle Family Farms Manure Pelletizing Facility
Project Applicant:	Gemperle Brothers
Project Location:	Located on the south side of West Fowler Road, approximately 730 feet west of North Lander Avenue (State Route 165) near the unincorporated community of Hilmar in Merced County, California (Assessor's Parcel Number 045-100-033).

Project Description:

The project proposes to construct and operate a new manure processing facility as an addition/expansion to the Gemperle Family Farms operation including the construction of three buildings totaling approximately 162,000 square feet, along with associated equipment.

This is to advise that the County of Merced as the Lead Agency has approved the above project described on September 9, 2026; and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project.

1. The project ☐ will ☒ will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report 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 the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring 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 provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at the County of Merced Community & Economic Development, 2222 "M" Street, 2nd Floor, Merced, CA 95340, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Signature & Date: 9/14/2026 Mark Hamilton

Title: Mark Hamilton, Planner III

Date Received for Filing at OPR:

MATT H. MAY
MERCED
County Clerk - Recorder
2222 M STREET
MERCED, CA 95340
(209) 385-7627

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Cashier: re20
Register: REC-COUNTER07
Date/Time: 09/14/2026 03:48 PM

Description	Fee
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Document No.:	2026-EIR-111
Transaction Time:	03:48 PM
Transaction Fee:	$3,043.75
Admin Fee:	$50.00
Transaction Total:	$3,093.75
Total Amount Due:	$3,093.75
Total Paid	
Check Tendered:	$3,093.75
#34886	
Amount Due:	$0.00

THANK YOU
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE