

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: _____ Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency)
City of Merced
678 West 18th St.
Merced, CA 95340

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County of Merced
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

Project Title: Conditional Use Permit #26-0023 (Environmental Review #26-0069)

Project Applicant: Pete Tobin, Tobin Consulting, for Gurjinder Singh, Property Owner

Project Location (Specific): Southeast Corner of Yosemite Parkway and Parsons Avenue

APN: 061-390-023 and 061-390-024

Project Location - City: Merced

Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Tobacco sales and alcohol sales for off-site consumption.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Merced

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pete Tobin, Tobin Consulting, for Gurjinder Singh, Property Owner

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));
- ☒ X Categorical Exemption. State Type and Section Number: 15332
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State Code Number: _____.
- ☐ General Rule (Sec. 15061 (b)(3))

Reasons why Project is Exempt: The project is consistent with the applicable General Plan designation and all applicable General Plan policies, as well as applicable zoning designation and regulations. The proposed development occurs within city limits on a project site of five acres or less that is substantially surrounded by urban uses. The project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species. Approval of the project would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality.

Lead Agency: City of Merced

Contact Person: Jessie Lee

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Signature:  **Date:** 7/31/2026 **Title:** Associate Planner

X Signed by Lead Agency Date Received for Filing at OPR: _____
(If applicable)

Authority Cited: Sections 21083 and 21110. Public Resources Code
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1. Public Resources Code