

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

City of Visalia
315 E. Acequia Ave.
Visalia, CA 93291

To: County Clerk
County of Tulare
County Civic Center
Visalia, CA 93291-4593

Mill Creek Culvert at Stevenson Street

PROJECT TITLE

Along Mill Creek, under Stevenson Street, between Mineral King Ave and Acequia Ave

PROJECT LOCATION

Visalia

PROJECT LOCATION - CITY

Tulare

COUNTY

This project consists of removing and reinstalling the reinforced cast-in-place concrete culvert to improve stormwater management and protect critical infrastructure. The existing culvert along Mill Creek beneath Stevenson St is deteriorating and replacing it will reduce flood risks and enhance public safety. The improvements will benefit local residents, businesses, and first responders who rely on Stevenson St, and will prevent potential downstream property damage should the existing culvert fail.

DESCRIPTION - Nature, Purpose, & Beneficiaries of Project

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NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF LEAD AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT

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NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF APPLICANT CARRYING OUT PROJECT

N/A

NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF AGENT CARRYING OUT PROJECT

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial - Section 15073
☒ Emergency Project - Section 15269
☐ Categorical Exemption - State type and Section number:
☐ Statutory Exemptions- State code number:

The specific action requested is necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. Mill Creek often receives large releases of water from Terminus Dam (Lake Kaweah) during large rainfall events. The proposed improvements would minimize the chance for inundation of critical facilities (Fire Station No. 51, Visalia PD Headquarters, Kaweah Delta Hospital) and their access routes.

REASON FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION

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CONTACT PERSON

October 19, 2026

DATE

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AREA CODE/PHONE


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