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Lead Agency: County of Tulare c/o Resource Management Agency
5961 S. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000
Attn: CEQA@tularecounty.ca.gov

Applicant(s): Centro de Adoracion
Manuel Valdez (Owner)
14815 Road 192 . (
Poplar, CA 93257 (559) 624-7000

Project Title: Minor Modification No. MIM 26-036
Project Location - Specific: 14815 Road 192, Poplar, CA 93257 (APNs: 237-020-008 & 237-020-009)
Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Section 34, Township 21S, Range 26E
Project Location - City: Poplar, CA **Project Location - County:** Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project consists of placing three 8-by-40 foot seatrains to be used for storage associated with the existing church facility (Centro de Adoracion). The Project also includes the expansion of the permit's approved use (Special Use Permit No. PSP 03-005) to include the adjacent parcel (APN 237-020-008). The beneficiaries of the project would be the applicant.

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: **Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Guideline § 15303, Class 3(e) pertaining to New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures**
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15303(e) Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, which consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; Accessory (appurtenant) structures, in this instance, the proposed addition of three (3) seatrains that will be used for storage for an existing church facility as noted earlier. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15303 is applicable and appropriate for this project.

Environmental Assessment Officer: Reed Schenke, P.E., RMA Director/EAO
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare

Project Planner/Representative: Danielle Folk, Planner III **Telephone:** (559) 624-7029

Signature: Gary A. Mills Date: 11-2-26 Title: Chief Planner, Environmental Planning Division
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Signature: Michael G. Washam Date: 11/2/26 Title: Associate RMA Director, Designee
Michael G. Washam, A.C.E.

☒ Signed by Lead Agency Date submitted to the LCI/SCH: