# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:** ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

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Visalia, CA 93291

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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:* gmills@tularecounty.ca.gov and jwillis@tularecounty.ca.gov

**Applicant(s):** Richard Stadden
13469 Road 112
Tipton, CA 93272

**Project Title:** Tentative Parcel Map No. PPM 26-013, Stadden

**Project Location - Specific:** Located at 13469 Road 112, Tipton, CA 93272 (APN 293-110-016 & 017)

**Project Location - Section, Township, Range:** Section 12, Township 22S, Range 24E

**Project Location - City:** Unincorporated area near Tipton, CA

**Project Location - County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Notice of Exemption for Tentative Parcel Map No. 26-013 to divide a 159.99 acre parcel into two parcels, Parcel No. 1 = 158.64 acres and Parcel No. 2 = 1.35 acres, with a Final Map Waiver, zoned AE-40 (Exclusive Agricultural – 40 Acre Minimum), within the Rural Valley Lands Plan, with the Land Use Designation of Valley Agriculture.

**Exempt Status: (check one)**

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Existing Structures: CEQA Guidelines §15301
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Common Sense Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3)
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 3, §§15303(a) and 15303(d) – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project is exempt, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, pursuant to Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Section 15061(b)(3), as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. The intent of the project is to create a Homesite parcel to separate the residence from the farmable acreage. The division will not result in any physical changes and will only create new property boundaries. Therefore, the lead agency concludes that the proposed project fits under the exemption as the project is consistent with the Tulare County Zoning Ordinance and applicable General Plan Policies.

**Environmental Assessment Officer:** Reed Schenke, P.E., RMA Director/EAO

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** County of Tulare

**Project Planner/Representative:** David Alexander, Planner III **Telephone:** (559) 624-7138

Signature: _____ Date: 11-2-26 **Title:** Chief Planner
Gary A. Mills Environmental Planning Division

Signature: _____ 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: _____