

# Notice of Exemption

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**Applicant(s):** Villa Park Orchards Association  
22466 Avenue 196  
Strathmore, CA 93267  
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**Project Title:** Minor Modification, MIM 24-008 (PSP 96-019), Villa Park Orchards Association

**Project Location - Specific:** 22466 Avenue 196, Strathmore, CA 93267, APN 215-330-053

**Project Location- Section, Township, Range:** Sec. 32, T. 20S, R 27E MDB&M

**Project Location - City:** Near Strathmore

**Project Location - County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Minor Modification to PSP 96-019 is to update the site plan to reflect the addition of a new 14,365 square foot Cold Storage building and a new 1,200 square foot employee room to the existing Cold Storage facility.

**Exempt Status:** (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ General Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061 (b)(3)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures/Facilities
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: Section 15305 Minor Alterations to Land Use Limitations

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project is categorically exempt, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines, pursuant to Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations Section 15301, Class 1, pertaining to Existing Facilities and, therefore, is not subject to CEQA. The Planning Director finds there is no substantial evidence that said Minor Modification will have a significant effect on the environment and determines that the Notice of Exemption for said Minor Modification reflects the independent judgment of the County and has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** County of Tulare, Resource Management Agency

**Project Planner:** David Alexander Area Code/Telephone: 559-624-7138

Signature: *[Signature]* Date: 4/16/2024 Title: Chief Environmental Planner  
Gary A. Mills

Signature: *[Signature]* Date: 4/16/24 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
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- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

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