# Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research PO Box 3044 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 From: California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street, MS-48 Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Applicant: Foster Poultry Farms

Project Title: Foster Farms Food Processing Efficiency Project

#### Project Location: Address

Address	City	County	
843 Davis St	Livingston 95334	Merced	
500 W F St	Turlock 95380	Stanislaus	
900 W Belgravia Ave	Fresno 93706	Fresno	
2960 S Cherry Ave	Fresno 93706	Fresno	
770 N Plano St	Porterville 93257	Tulare	

# Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this Agreement is to fund energy efficient drop-in equipment that decreases the fuel use and GHG emissions from Foster Poultry Farms' food processing facilities. The result of the energy efficient upgrades will be a reduction in energy consumption, in the form of onsite electricity consumption and combustion of natural gas, resulting in the reduction of greenhouse gas and criteria emissions. The project will reduce a cumulative amount of 3,128 MT CO2e/ year across 5 facilities.

Name of Public Agency	Approving Project:	California Energy C	ommissio

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Foster Poultry Farms

## Exempt Status: (check one)

Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15268);

Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(b)(c));

X Categorical Exemption. State type and section number

Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15301

Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

## **Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project will implement various efficiency measures across 5 facilities owned by the food processor. The commercially available technology that will be installed at the 5 facilities include boiler economizers, refrigeration optimization, heat recovery system, de-aerator tank, stack re-piping, and boiler controls. The result of the project will be determined through a measurement and verification period, which will quantify greenhouse gas reductions and energy savings across all facilities.

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

14 C.C.R. §15301: The project involves minor alteration of existing facilities and mechanical equipment. Energy efficient equipment will be installed at existing food processing facilities. Some of the equipment will be additions to existing equipment, such as economizer installations on existing boilers. Other equipment will be new installations within the facility, such as control optimization, tanks, pumps, heat exchangers, sensors, motors, controllers, displays, drives, and piping. These installations will be minor alterations to mechanical equipment and the facility, with no expansion beyond the existing use of the food processing facilities and will not have significant effect on the environment."

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Signature:	<u>cli</u>	Date: 3/15/19 Title:	Energy mors Office of Plan	Analyst	
Signed by Responsible Agency			MAR 1.5 2019		
X Signed by	Lead Agency	STATE CLEARINGHOUSE			
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