



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2021 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/21) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

24-2021-042

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

2019110288

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
HILMAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT		04/15/2021
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER	
MERCED COUNTY	24-2021-042	

PROJECT TITLE

NEW HOLMAR UNIFIED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
HILMAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT		(209) 667-5701
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
7807 N LANDER AVENUE	HILMAR	CA
		ZIP CODE
		95324

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency ☒ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,445.25	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,480.25	\$	2,480.25
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,171.25	\$	0.00


☐ Exempt from fee
☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ **2,530.25**

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
	
X	Lea Z. H. Holguin Deputy Clerk

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

☒ Office of Planning and Research
U.S. Mail: _____ Street Address: _____
P.O. Box 3044 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ County Clerk
County of: Merced
Address: 2222 'M' Street
Merced, CA 95340

From:

Public Agency: Hilmar Unified School District
Address: 7807 N. Lander Avenue
Hilmar, CA 95324

Contact: Jim Bullock
Phone: (209) 667-5701

Lead Agency (if different from above): _____

Address: _____

Contact: _____

Phone: _____

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2019110288

Project Title: New Hilmar Unified Elementary School Project

Project Applicant: Hilmar Unified School District

Project Location (include county): NW corner of Geer Avenue and Pearl Street, Hilmar, Merced County

Project Description:

Construction and operation of a new elementary school campus serving grades TK-2 and reconfiguration of the existing Elim Elementary School campus to serve grades 3-5. Please see attached description for additional detail.

This is to advise that the Hilmar Unified School District has approved the above
(☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on April 13, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
(date)
described project.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Hilmar Unified School District Office, 7807 N. Lander Avenue, Hilmar, CA 95324

Signature (Public Agency): [Signature] Title: Superintendent

Date: April 14, 2021 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Hilmar Unified School District
New Hilmar Unified Elementary School Project (SCH#: 2019110288)

Project Location and Description:

The New Hilmar Unified Elementary School Project (project) includes construction and operation of a new elementary school campus and reconfiguration of the existing Elim Elementary School campus. The project site is located on approximately 15.5 acres at the northwest corner of Geer Avenue and Pearl Street in the unincorporated community of Hilmar in Merced County. The site encompasses a grass-turfed area currently being used by Hilmar High School as well as a portion of the existing Elim Elementary School site.

The new elementary school campus will provide instruction for TK through 2nd grades and will serve approximately 600 students. Buildout of the new campus will include six classroom buildings housing 25 classrooms; one building housing a library and administrative office; a multipurpose building with an outdoor amphitheater area; and recreational areas including hardcourts, play structures, and turf play areas. At the Elim Elementary campus, the "front" of Elim will be reoriented from facing Lander Avenue (State Route 165) to facing a new interior access area, where a new administration building will be constructed for the Elim campus. New driveways from Geer Avenue will serve as the main access to both elementary schools. A parking area with approximately 58 spaces is proposed to be developed along the eastern portion of the new elementary school campus. The project will also construct designated vehicle and bus drop-off areas for each campus.

As part of the project's operation, TK through 2nd grades will relocate from Elim Elementary to the new elementary school, leaving Elim with 3rd through 5th grades. Elim's current student population will be reduced from approximately 1,000 to 500 students, and 24 classrooms (all portables) will be removed from its current total of 50 classrooms, leaving the Elim campus with approximately 26 classrooms. The project will increase overall student capacity from approximately 1,000 to 1,200 total students in TK through 5th grades. While each campus is anticipated to have a maximum of 60 staff, it is anticipated that some staff will be shared given the proximity of the schools.

The project is planned to begin construction early 2022 and be completed by spring 2023.