

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research  
 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
 Sacramento, California 95814

County Clerk, County of Tulare  
 Courthouse, County Civic Center  
 Visalia, California 93291

**FROM:** Lead Agency/Applicant  
 Orosi Public Utility District  
 12488 Avenue 416  
 Orosi, CA 93647  
 559-528-4262

**Project Title:** Cutler-Orosi Joint Powers Wastewater Authority Plant Additions and Improvements.

**Project Location - Specific:** Northeast of Intersection of Avenue 404 and Road 120, Section 19, Township 16 South, Range 25 East, MDB&M. Latitude: 36°31'24.0" (N), Longitude: - 119°18'7.0' (W)

**Project Location - City:** Unincorporated Community of Cutler **Project Location – County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** The Project consists of the construction of lined sludge storage areas and mechanical sludge dewatering facilities. The Project includes installation of a solar power system on Authority-owned farmland. Improvements also include replacement of existing equipment to improve operational efficiency.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Orosi Public Utility District

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Orosi Public Utility District

**Exempt Status: (Check One)**

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)

Declare Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

Categorical Exemption (*State type and section number*)

– CCR Section 15301, Class 1 “Existing Facilities”; and

– CCR Section 158302, Class 2 “Replacement or Reconstruction”.

Statutory Exemptions. (*State code number*)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project consists of constructing sludge handling improvements, solar power and miscellaneous improvements at the Authority’s facilities. Improvements will replace existing structures and utilize existing facility space. Improvements will also utilize active farmland.

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**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

Signature: Dennis R. Keller Date: 11/22/2019 Title: District Consulting Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signed by Applicant Governor’s Office of Planning & Research

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