



MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO: Office of Planning & Research
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FROM: San Joaquin County
 Community Development Department
 1810 East Hazelton Avenue
 Stockton, California 95205

County Clerk, County of San Joaquin

PROJECT TITLE: Use Permit No. PA-1800177

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located on the east side of South Priest Road, 0.8 miles south of East French Camp Road, French Camp, San Joaquin County. (APN/Address: 193-220-15/9698 South Priest Road, French Camp) (Supervisory District: 1)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is a Use Permit application to establish a religious assembly facility for a maximum of 185 attendees. This facility will also host silent meditation retreats for an average of fifty (50) people at a time, and will occur an average of eight (8) times per year. An average of fifteen (15) attendees visit the site during the week and an average of 65 attendees visit the site on the weekends. The facility anticipates a maximum attendance of 185 attendees on average of four (4) times per year during special holiday events. The project is planned for construction in two (2) phases over six (6) years. Phase 1 includes the conversion of an existing 5,000 square foot agricultural building to a mixed use worship building, a 3,700 square foot kitchen addition to the mixed use worship building, and the conversion of an existing 1,803 square foot building to a private garage. Phase 2 includes the construction of five meditation retreat buildings totaling 7,800 square feet (approximately 1,500 square feet a piece), a 5,900 square foot pagoda building, a 600 square foot maintenance building, and the conversion of the 1,803 square foot private garage to an administration building. The project site will be served by private septic systems for sewage disposal, private well for water, and on-site storm water retention basin. The existing single family residence is not included as a part of this application. The project site is not under a Williamson Act contract. (Use Types: Religious Assembly-Neighborhood)

The Property is zoned AU-20 (Agriculture-Urban Reserve, 20-acre minimum) and the General Plan designation is R/L (Low Density Residential).

PROPONENT: Kusalakari Corporation / Brian McNamara

This is a Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project as described. San Joaquin County has determined that through the Initial Study that contains proposed mitigation measures all potentially significant effects on the environment can be reduced to a less than significant level. The Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study can be viewed on the Community Development Department website at www.sjgov.org/commdev under Active Planning Applications.

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