## Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

- To: X Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814 **Tulare County Clerk** Room 105, Courthouse 221 South Mooney Boulevard Visalia, CA 93291 Tulare County Resource Management Agency Lead Agency: 5961 South Mooney Blvd. Visalia, Ca 93277 Ph: (559) 624-7000 Attn: hguerra@,co.tulare.ca.us **Tulare County Public Works** Applicant(s): 5961 South Mooney Boulevard
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Project Title: 2020 Road Rehabilitation and Accountability Act (RRAA) Project 2

Project Location - Specific: Location 1 - Avenue 184 between Road 80 and State Route 99 Location 2 - Turner Drive (D122) between Tulare City limits and Road 124 Location 3 - Avenue 56 between the alignment of Road 88 to the alignment of Road 120 Location 4 - Avenue 56 between Front St and State St Location 5 - Avenue 96 between Road 192 and Road 208 Location 6 - Avenue 95 between Cedar St and Park St Location 7 - Road 208 between Avenue 88 to Avenue 96 Location 8 - D238 between Avenue 112 to Avenue 120

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: N/A

Project Location - City: Near the Incorporated Cities of Tulare, Porterville Location - County: Tulare Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project consists of repairing asphalt materials on multiple segments of existing County roads. The work includes a combination of isolated pavement repairs followed by the installation of new asphalt surfacing followed by the application of new asphalt surfacing. All projects will include corrective work (adding a thin course of granular material for leveling to minimize drop-off heights for overlays) to be performed on the shoulders of the roadways. Further, all newly surfaced roadways will receive new traffic stripes and pavement markings. Efficient and responsive maintenance of the County road network will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for the general population throughout the region. Construction is anticipated to begin during October of 2020.

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- General Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061 (b)(3)
- Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c) X
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Section 300 (c)(14). Therefore, the use of CEQA Section 15301 and Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA of 1970, Section 300 (c)(14) are applicable and appropriate for this project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: <u>County of Tulare, Resource Management Agency</u> Project Planner/Representative: <u>Reed Schenke, Director Area Code/Telephone</u>: <u>559-624-7142</u>

20 Title: Chief Environmental Planner \_Date: \_8 Signature Hector Guerra 1 8 Date: 20 20 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Title: Environmental Assessment Officer Signature: Director Reed Schenke, P.E.

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