

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH #

Project Title: S. Stamoules, Inc. Pistachio Processing Facility Project

Lead Agency: County of Fresno

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City: Fresno

Zip: 93721

County: Fresno

Project Location: County: Fresno City/Nearest Community: City of Mendota

Cross Streets: Northwest corner of S. Newcomb Ave. and Annedale Road Zip Code:

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): ° ' " N / ° ' " W Total Acres: 316.2

Assessor's Parcel No.: 019-150-64S

Section: 26

Twp.: 14S

Range: 13E

Base: Mt. Diablo

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: N/A

Waterways: N/A

Airports: -N/A

Railways: -N/A

Schools: N/A

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Other:

☐ FONSI**Local Action Type:**☐ General Plan Update☐ Specific Plan☐ Rezone☐ Annexation☐ General Plan Amendment☐ Master Plan☐ Prezone☐ Redevelopment☐ General Plan Element☐ Planned Unit Development☒ Use Permit☐ Coastal Permit☐ Community Plan☒ Site Plan☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)☐ Other:**Development Type:**☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____

Employees _____

☐ Transportation: Type _____☒ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres 316.2

Employees _____

☐ Mining: Mineral _____☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____

Employees _____

☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____☐ Educational: _____☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____☐ Recreational: _____☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____☐ Other: _____**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**☒ Aesthetic/Visual☐ Fiscal☒ Recreation/Parks☒ Vegetation☒ Agricultural Land☒ Flood Plain/Flooding☒ Schools/Universities☒ Water Quality☒ Air Quality☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☐ Septic Systems☒ Water Supply/Groundwater☒ Archeological/Historical☒ Geologic/Seismic☒ Sewer Capacity☒ Wetland/Riparian☒ Biological Resources☒ Minerals☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☒ Growth Inducement☐ Coastal Zone☒ Noise☒ Solid Waste☒ Land Use☒ Drainage/Absorption☒ Population/Housing Balance☒ Toxic/Hazardous☒ Cumulative Effects☐ Economic/Jobs☒ Public Services/Facilities☒ Traffic/Circulation☐ Other: _____**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Agriculture/AE-20 (Exclusive Agriculture; 20-acre minimum parcel size)/Agriculture

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

S. Stamoules Inc. (Project Applicant) proposes to build a pistachio hulling, processing, and packing facility on a 98-acre portion of a 316.2-acre parcel located in western Fresno County, 8 miles southwest of the City of Mendota. Trucks carrying pistachios from the Project Applicant's orchards would deposit their load on a conveyor belt system that would transport the pistachios through different sections of the proposed facility that include a huller building, a gas-powered dryer area, a drive-over dump pit area, and an area with storage silos which are proposed to be 50 feet in height.continued on Page 3

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 6	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB #5
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<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: US Fish & Wildlife
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 8, 2022

Ending Date August 9, 2022

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: 

Date: 7.7.22

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

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Additionally, the processed water from the facility will be conveyed via existing subsurface piping to irrigate approximately 3,740 acres of agricultural land owned by the owner and are located approximately two to six miles to the northeast of the project site located on the northwest corner of S. Newcomb Avenue and W. Muscat Avenue approximately 9.7 mile south of the City of Firebaugh.

The proposed project would be implemented in four phases, and each phase would include the construction and addition of buildings, working areas and equipment to increase the capacity of the project site. Attached to this notice are four figures showing the project Location, proposed Site Plan, partial Site Plan and Process Water Land Application Area.

Phase I of the project would include the construction of a 16,893 square-foot huller building, an approximately 5,608 square-foot drive-over dumping pit area, and an approximately 3,900 square-foot pre-cleaning area. Ten 8 by 29 feet dryers and 18 52- by 52-foot galvanized steel silos, each of 2,200,000-pound capacity, would be added to the project site west of the proposed huller building under Phase I of the proposed project.

Phase II of the project would include the construction of a 155,169-square-foot processing building for pistachios.

Phase III of the project would include the installation of processing, sorting, and packing equipment in the pistachio processing building, as well as the construction of twelve additional silos and the installation of ten additional dryer units.

Finally, Phase IV of the project would include the construction of a second 16,893-square-foot huller building, an additional drive-over dumping pit area and pre-cleaning area, and the construction and installation of 30 additional silos and 20 dryer units.