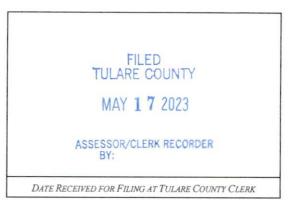
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

- To: D Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814
 - Tulare County Clerk
 Room 105, Courthouse
 221 South Mooney Blvd.
 Visalia, CA 93291



Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency 5961 South Mooney Blvd. Visalia, CA 93277 (559) 624-7000 Attn: hguerra@tularecounty.ca.gov and jwillis@tularecounty.ca.gov

Applicant(s): County of Tulare c/o General Services Agency 2637 W Burrel Ave. Suite 100 Visalia, CA 93291 (559) 605-1100

Project Title: Goshen Community Park Recreational Trail Project Location - Specific: 6800 Avenue 310, Visalia, CA Project Location- Section, Township, Range: N/A. Project Location - City: Unincorporated community of Goshen, CA

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project would result in the development of a Recreational Trail within the existing footprint of the Community of Goshen Park. The proposed project will consist of connecting a multi-use trail located along the inner fence portion of the Eastern and Southern boundaries of the park, to the existing Trail along the outer fence portion of the Western and Northern borders of the park. The proposed project will include trailside amenities such as benches, water drinking fountains, outdoor exercise stations and exercise equipment. The trail will be paved with a newly constructed sidewalk measuring 10 ft wide and 1,080 ft in length. Water lines to provide drinking water for park patrons. An electric box will be installed to provide security lighting along the trail. The Recreational trail promotes outdoor recreational activity for the public and provides opportunities for exercise, increasing the overall health of the public.

Exempt Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Common Sense Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061(b)(3)

□ Categorical Exemption: ČEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15301 and 15303) Existing Facilities and New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures; respectively

Reasons why project is exempt: The activity is covered by Sections 15301 Class 1 Existing Facilities and 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (14 Cal. Code Regs., §15303). As noted above, the project is to construct a recreational trail within Goshen Community Park to create recreational opportunities for the public. Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15303 and Section 15303 are applicable and appropriate for this project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: <u>Tulare County Board of Supervisors</u>

Project Planner/Representative: Albert Cendejas Parks Manager Area Code/Telephone: (559) 205-1100

716-22 Title: Chief Environmental Planner Date: By: Aaron Bock for Hector Guerra Date: S.C. Z. Title: Environmental Assessment Officer By: Reed Schenke, P.E. **RMA** Director

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