

County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

Fresno County Clerk NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To:

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County Clerk, County of Fresno 2220 Tulare St. 1st Floor, County

Plaza Building Fresno, CA 93721

From:

Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning, Development Services

and Capital Projects

2220 Tulare Street (corner of Tulare and "M") Suite "A", Fresno, CA 93721

Subject:

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of

the Public Resource Code

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2022070101

Project:

Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Application No. 3709, Variance Application

No. 4112, and associated Environmental Impact Report No. 8077.

Location:

The project is located on a 98-acre portion of a 316.22-acre parcel at the northwest corner of W. Muscat Avenue and S. Newcomb Avenues approximately 9.7 miles south of the City of Firebaugh (APN 019-150-64S), and the 3,760 acres of agricultural land associated with the project is located approximately two to six miles to the northeast of the project site.

Sponsor:

OPA Pistachios on behalf of Stamoules Produce Company.

Description:

Allow a pistachio processing facility comprised of a four-phase project consisting of 2 drive-over dumping pits, 2 pre-cleaning areas, 2 huller buildings, 40 dyers with a height of 29 feet, 48 silos with a height of 50 feet and a processing building in the AE-20 (Exclusive Agricultural, 20-acre minimum parcel size) Zone District.

and

A Variance to allow the 48 proposed silos to be 50-feet in height and the 2 proposed huller buildings to be 42.5-feet in height (maximum 35-foot allowed) in

the AE-20 Zone District, and

Allow processed water from the proposed facility conveyed via existing subsurface piping to irrigate approximately 3,740 acres of agricultural land owned by the owner.

This is to advise that the County of Fresno (⊠ <b>Lead Agency</b> □ Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on January 25, 2024, and has made the following determination:	
1.	The project ☐ will ☑ will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2.	$\boxtimes$ An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) $\underline{was}$ prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3.	Mitigation Measures $\boxtimes$ <u>were</u> $\square$ <u>were not</u> made a condition of approval for the project.
4.	A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan $\boxtimes$ <u>was</u> $\square$ <u>was not</u> adopted for this project.
5.	A statement of Overriding Consideration $\boxtimes$ <u>was</u> $\square$ <u>was not</u> adopted for this project.
6.	Findings $\boxtimes$ were $\square$ were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
This is to certify that the Final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at Fresno County Department of Public Works and Planning, 2220 Tulare Street, Suite A, Corner of Tulare and "M" Streets, Fresno, California.  David A. Randall, Senior Planner  (559) 600- 4569 /EMAIL drandall@fresnocountyca.gov	

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