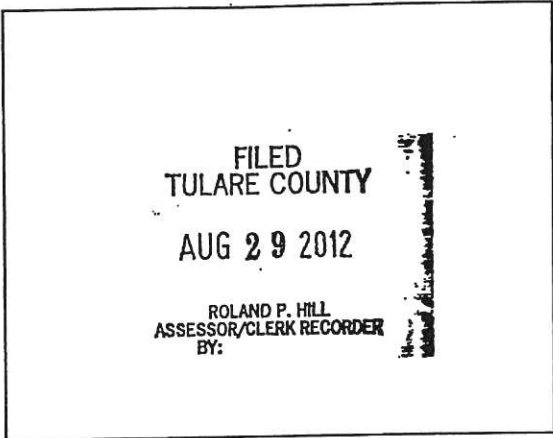


NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6301

To: Tulare County Clerk Office of Planning & Research
Room 105, Courthouse P.O. Box 3044
221 South Mooney Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95812-3044



Lead Agency: Resource Management Agency
County of Tulare
5961 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, CA 93277

Applicant(s): Resource Management Agency
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5961 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 624-7000

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

Project Title: Tulare County General Plan 2030 Update

State Clearinghouse Number: SCH #2006041162

Contact Person: David Bryant Telephone Number: 559-624-7000

Project Location: Tulare County (Countywide)

Project Description/Case File No: See Attachment A incorporated herein by reference.

This is to advise that the TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Lead Agency) has approved the above-described project on August 28, 2012 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

- 1. The project (X) will () will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. (X) An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
(X) A Final Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
() A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures (X) were () were not made a condition of approval of the project.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations (X) was () was not adopted for the project.
5. Findings (X) were () 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:

The Tulare County Resource Management Agency, 5961 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, CA 93277

Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/29/12 Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/29/12 Title: Assistant Director - Planning and Environmental Assessment Officer

Date Received for filing at the Tulare County Clerk _____ Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Cc: California. Dept. of Fish & Game, 1416 Ninth St., 12th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814
Note: Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resource Code; Reference: Sections 21108, 21152 and 21167, Public Resource Code.

Attachment A

The proposed Tulare County General Plan 2030 Update establishes a planning framework and policies for the planning period to 2030 and is considered a comprehensive update of the County of Tulare's current General Plan.

The General Plan Update provides for the continuation of many existing policies, modifications of others, and the addition of new policies. The General Plan Update project documents consist of the General Plan Update document (consisting of three parts: Part I: The Goals & Policies Report, Part II: The Area Plans, and Part III: The Community and other Plans [the plans in Part III will not be changed as part of this update, except for Dinuba (revised by this update to include the Dinuba Golf Course) and Pixley (revised by this update to include Harmon Field)]), the Environmental Impact Report, and the General Plan 2010 Background Report.

Although the proposed project was developed to meet several fairly broad objectives (i.e., the requirements of state law, etc.) the General Plan Update was also developed through an extensive public outreach process to reflect the specific policy needs of Tulare County.

To help determine these specific policy needs, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors considered input received from the many community workshops, the Tulare County General Plan Update Technical Advisory Committee, and the Planning Commission, regarding the fundamental values that would guide the preparation of the General Plan Update.

As a result of this input, the following five value statements were identified:

- The beauty of the County and the health and safety of its residents will be protected and enhanced;
- The County will create and facilitate opportunities to improve the lives of all County residents;
- The County will protect its agricultural economy while diversifying employment opportunities;
- Every community will have the opportunity to prosper from economic growth; and
- Growth will pay its own way providing sustainable, high quality infrastructure and services.

The Project also includes adoption of the Climate Action Plan to implement the General Plan.