

Notice of Exemption

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County of Fresno
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From (Public Agency):

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District
1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue
Fresno, CA 93726-0244
Dylan Casares
(559) 230-6000

(For County Use Only)

Project Title: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's Solar Electricity Project

Project Location (Specific): (1) 1990 East Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA 93726, (2) 4800 Enterprise Way, Modesto, CA 95356, and (3) 34946 Flyover Court, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Project Location (City): Fresno, Modesto, and Bakersfield

Project Location (County): Fresno, Stanislaus, and Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Solar Electricity Project (Project) consists of installation of a solar photovoltaic (PV) system and solar parking shade structures at the District's Central Region office; installation of a new spray polyurethane foam (SPF) roofing system at the Fresno facility; and replacement of 10 existing Level 2 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations with new commercial-grade ChargePoint stations at the District's three regional offices (six in Fresno, two in Modesto, and two in Bakersfield). The Project also includes associated engineering, design, permitting, utility interconnection, equipment installation, construction, testing, commissioning, monitoring, training, and project closeout activities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

Applicant Name, Address, & Phone Number: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue, Fresno, CA 93726, 559-230-6000

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial: §21080(b)(1); 15268
- ☐ Declared Emergency: §21080(b)(3); 15269(a)
- ☐ Emergency Project: §21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15301 (Existing Facilities), §15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), §15311 (Accessory Structures)
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions: Public Resources Code §21080.35 (Solar Energy Systems)
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The Solar Electricity Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.35 and CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), and 15311 (Accessory Structures). The Project includes installation of rooftop solar photovoltaic panels at the existing Central Region office; solar parking shade structures within existing District parking areas; installation of an SPF roofing system at the Central Region office; and replacement of ten existing electric vehicle charging stations at the Fresno, Modesto, and Bakersfield offices. The rooftop solar system and solar installations within existing parking lots qualify for the statutory exemption under Public Resources Code section 21080.35. The solar parking shade structures are also categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 and 15311 as accessory structures serving an existing institutional facility within existing parking areas, without expansion of the existing parking use. The SPF roofing system is categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 because it involves work on an existing facility. The EV charging station replacements are categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 and 15302 because they involve the replacement of existing facilities at the same locations with stations that will serve substantially the same purpose and capacity.

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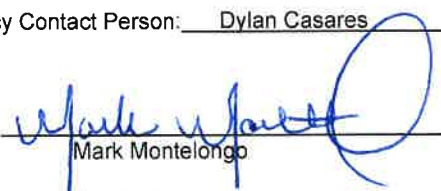
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