

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: Fresno

2220 Tulare Street

Fresno, CA 93721

From: (Public Agency): City of Fresno
Department of Public Utilities - Utilities, Planning and Engineering
747 R Street, 2nd Floor, Fresno CA, 93721

(Address)

Project Title: Primary Clarifier Rehabilitation Project at the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF)

Project Applicant: City of Fresno

Project Location - Specific:

5607 W. Jensen Avenue, Fresno, CA 93706.

Project Location - City: Fresno Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project entails rehabilitating Primary Clarifiers 5-10 at the existing Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF). Work includes inspection and repair of structural, mechanical, electrical, and sludge pump components.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fresno

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Fresno

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15301(b) and (d)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This Project consists of rehabilitation work on existing Primary Clarifiers 5–10 at the existing Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility. The work includes inspection, design, and thereafter, rehabilitation of primary clarifier structural components, mechanical and electrical systems, sludge-handling equipment, and associated conductor cables, as well as visual evaluation of coating conditions. These activities restore deteriorated infrastructure necessary for continued wastewater treatment operations and public health protection, consistent with subsections (b) and (d). All work will occur entirely within the existing RWRF footprint and involves the repair or replacement of existing equipment with no expansion of footprint, capacity, or change in use. The project is limited to improving the condition and reliability of existing facilities and does not result in any changes that would increase environmental impacts. As such, the Project qualifies for a Class 1 exemption under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(b) and (d).

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Joshua Merten Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 621-1625

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Joshua Merten Date: 4/8/2026 Title: Engineer II

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____