

## Exhibit C

### CITY OF FRESNO "NO POSSIBILITY" EXEMPTION ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. P20-01529

THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETERMINED TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES.

**APPLICANT:** City of Fresno  
2600 Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

**PROJECT LOCATION:** City of Fresno

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project is a General Plan Text Amendment Application that proposes, in the Local Hazard Mitigation section of the Noise and Safety Element of the General Plan (page 9-37), to delete an outdated adoption date of the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) and City of Fresno Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex (Annex) of December 1, 2009 in order to reflect that the County maintains a current Plan and Annex that were adopted by the City of Fresno on December 19, 2019 consistent with the requirements of Federal and State law, and General Plan Policy NS-6-a. This revision would allow periodic updating of the HMP and Annex without causing the General Plan to be outdated, and would comply with AB 2140 which qualifies the City for additional disaster mitigation funding.

No amendments are proposed to General Plan goals, objectives or policies.

**This project is exempt under Section 15061 (b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines which exempts projects where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question will have a significant effect on the environment.**

**EXPLANATION:** Section 15061 (b) (3) of the CEQA Guidelines states that "...CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." The proposed plan amendment merely removes a reference to the date of adoption of the previous Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and revises the language to refer to the Hazard Mitigation Plan without a date. Because Fresno County revises and adopts

updates to their Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan consistent with the Disaster Mitigation Act, and because the City of Fresno adopts the County's Plan and City of Fresno Local Annex, also in compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act and Fresno General Plan Policy NS-6-a, reference to a specific date of County adoption in the narrative portion of the Fresno General Plan is unnecessary.

Deletion of the previous County adoption date will have no impact on the environment. In addition, adoption of the Fresno County Hazard Mitigation Plan and City of Fresno Local Annex by the City on December 19, 2019 was an action taken consistent with Federal and State law and does not commit the City to a particular project that has a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect impact on the environment. As such, a finding pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3) that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that adoption of Plan Amendment Application No. P20-01529 will have a significant effect on the environment is appropriate.

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