

Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
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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

Lead Agency (If different from sender):

City of Escalon – Planning Department
2060 McHenry Avenue
Escalon, CA 95320
Contact: Jaylen French
Phone: (209) 691-7432

(For County Use Only)

Project Title: Project 23-786 | Site and Architecture, District ATC Project No. N-1252436

Project Location (Specific): 1230 Brennan Road, Escalon, CA 95320 (APN: 225-020-450-000)

Project Location (City): Escalon

Project Location (County): San Joaquin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of the installation of four new metal cutting operations and one confined abrasive blasting operation. Each metal cutting operation will consist of a plasma cutter with a downdraft table and a dedicated dust collector. The abrasive blasting operation will consist of a blasting cabinet equipped with an integral dust collector and will use steel shot as the primary abrasive media.

Applicant Name, Address, & Phone Number: Weldway Steel Fabrication. 1230 Brennan Road, Escalon, CA 95320. (209) 847-8083

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Weldway Steel Fabrication

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: §15162 (Subsequent EIRs and Negative Declarations)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions:
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The City of Escalon (City) was the Lead Agency for Project 23-786 which covers this District ATC Project No. N-1252436. The City determined that the Project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Sections §15168 ("Program EIR") and §15183 ("Projects Consistent with a Community Plan, General Plan, or Zoning"), based on the Modified Initial Study concluding that the Project is consistent with the Liberty Business Park Specific Plan EIR (SCH #2005112001) and the City's General Plan EIR (SCH #2004092075). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15250, the District is a Responsible Agency for the Project via its Permits Rule (Rule 2010) and New Source Review Rule (Rule 2201), (CEQA Guidelines §15381). The District's engineering evaluation of the project demonstrates that compliance with District rules and permit conditions would reduce Stationary Source emissions from the project to levels below the District's thresholds of significance for criteria pollutants. Thus, the District concludes that through a combination of project design elements and permit conditions, project specific stationary source emissions will be reduced to less than significant levels.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dylan Casares

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 230-6000

Signature

Mark Montelongo

Title: Director of Policy and Government Affairs

Date:

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Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: SAN JOAQUIN

44 NORTH SAN JOAQUIN ST

STOCKTON CA 95202

From: (Public Agency): CITY OF ESCALON

2060 MCHENRY AVE

ESCALON CA 95320

(Address)

Project Title: Project 23-786 | Site and Architecture

Project Applicant: Brennan Road LLC. 1410 California Street, Ste. C, Escalon, CA. 95320

Project Location - Specific:

1230 Brennan Road, Escalon, CA 95320 (APN 225-020-450-000)

Project Location - City: Escalon

Project Location - County: San Joaquin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

develop a 20-acre portion of the subject property to relocate an existing steel fabrication company.

Development includes construction of a 44,000 square foot fabrication shop, 14,400 square foot paint building, two (2) 9,375 and 7,500 square foot maintenance buildings, an 11,000 square foot office, and associated utility,

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Escalon Planning Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Brennan Road LLC.

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 15162

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Modified Initial Study concludes that that the Project is consistent with the Liberty Business Park Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2005112001) pursuant to Section 15168 and consistent with the City's general plan (EIR SCH#2004092075), pursuant to 15183 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jaylen French

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-691-7432

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: 

Date: 04/15/2024

Title: Interim City Manager

☒ 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: _____