

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF ALL-WAY STOP CONTROL            )  
AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROAD 100 AND            ) Resolution No. 2018-0652  
AVENUE 272, SOUTH OF VISALIA                    )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR ENNIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR VANDER POEL, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD JULY 31, 2018, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: SUPERVISORS CROCKER, VANDER POEL, SHUKLIAN, WORTHLEY, AND ENNIS  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE



ATTEST: MICHAEL C. SPATA  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: Mary Rocello  
Deputy Clerk

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1. Approved a Categorical Exemption consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Title 14 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 15061(b)(3) general rule exemption;
2. Found there is no substantial evidence that proposed activity will have a significant effect on the environment and determined the Categorical Exemption is consistent with the CEQA Title 14 CCR, Section 15061(b)(3) general rule exemption, that was prepared for the project reflects the independent judgment of the County and completed in compliance with the CEQA of 1970;
3. Directed the Environmental Assessment Officer of the Tulare County Resource Management Agency, or designee, to file a Notice of Exemption with the Tulare County Clerk.
4. Approved the designation of an All-Way STOP control at the intersection of Road 100 (Akers) and Avenue 272, just south of the city of Visalia; and
5. Authorized the installation of STOP signs on Road 100 at the intersection of Avenue 272 in accordance with the provisions of Section 2B.07 of the 2014 California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) and Section 22450(c) of the California Vehicle Code (CVC).



**RESOURCE  
MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

KUYLER CROCKER  
District One

PETE VANDER POEL  
District Two

AMY SHUKLIAN  
District Three

J. STEVEN WORTHLEY  
District Four

MIKE ENNIS  
District Five

**AGENDA DATE:** July 31, 2018

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Counsel Sign-Off	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez PHONE: (559) 624-7010				

**SUBJECT:** All-Way STOP Control at the Intersection of Road 100 and Avenue 272, south of Visalia

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a Categorical Exemption consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Title 14 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 15061(b)(3) general rule exemption;
2. Find there is no substantial evidence that proposed activity will have a significant effect on the environment and determine the Categorical Exemption is consistent with the CEQA Title 14 CCR, Section 15061(b)(3) general rule exemption, that was prepared for the project reflects the independent judgment of the County and completed in compliance with the CEQA of 1970;
3. Direct the Environmental Assessment Officer of the Tulare County Resource Management Agency, or designee, to file a Notice of Exemption with the Tulare County Clerk.
4. Approve the designation of an All-Way STOP control at the intersection of Road 100 (Akers) and Avenue 272, just south of the city of Visalia; and
5. Authorize the installation of STOP signs on Road 100 at the intersection of Avenue 272 in accordance with the provisions of Section 2B.07 of the 2014 California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) and Section 22450(c) of the California Vehicle Code (CVC).

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**SUMMARY:**

The intersection of Road 100 (Akers) and Avenue 272 is located just south of the city of Visalia, within Tulare County. This location is currently a Two-Way Stop controlled intersection with stop signs on Avenue 272, which runs east and west. Road 100 is uncontrolled and runs north and south, between the cities of Visalia and Tulare. Both roadways have a prima facie speed limit of 55 miles per hour.

In response to safety concerns at this intersection, Tulare County Resource Management Agency (RMA) conducted an investigation.

Section 2B.07 Multi-Way Stop Applications of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) states in part "Multi-way stop control can be useful as a safety measure at intersections if certain traffic conditions exist. Safety concerns associated with multi-way stops include pedestrians, bicyclist, and all road users expecting other road users to stop." Due in part to the high through traffic volume, this intersection does meet the following traffic condition:

"Five or more reported crashes in a 12-month period that are susceptible to correction by a multi-way stop installation. Such crashes include right turn and left turn collisions as well as right angle collisions."

In addition, the California Vehicle Code (CVC), Section 22450(c), states in part that "a local authority may adopt rules and regulations by ordinance or resolution providing for the placement of a stop sign at any location on a highway under its jurisdiction where the stop sign would enhance traffic safety".

This intersection meets the requirements of Section 2B.07 for the installation of a Multi-Way Stop. As such, RMA staff recommends approval of the installation of an All-Way STOP control at the intersection of Road 100 (Akers) and Avenue 272.

A Categorical Exemption was prepared by the Tulare County Environmental Planning Division and approved by the Environmental Assessment Officer. The activity/project is considered Exempt under Categorical per Title 14 CCR Section 15061(b)(3), general rule exemption.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

No Net County Cost.

The cost of installing All-Way STOP signs on Road 100 at the intersection of Avenue 272 is budgeted in the current fiscal year's Roads Budget for signs and stenciling.

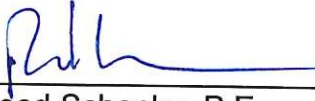
**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

Strategic Initiative: Safety and security includes the goal of improving and maintaining adequate transportation infrastructure. Installation of an All-Way STOP control at this location will enhance intersection circulation and safety.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



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Reed Schenke, P.E.  
Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s): Attachment A - Vicinity Map  
Attachment B - CEQA Exemption

# **Attachment A**

Visalia ↗

Akers

Rialto

Nellis

Elkhorn

Reese

Crenshaw

Linwood

Avenue 276

Visalia Parkway

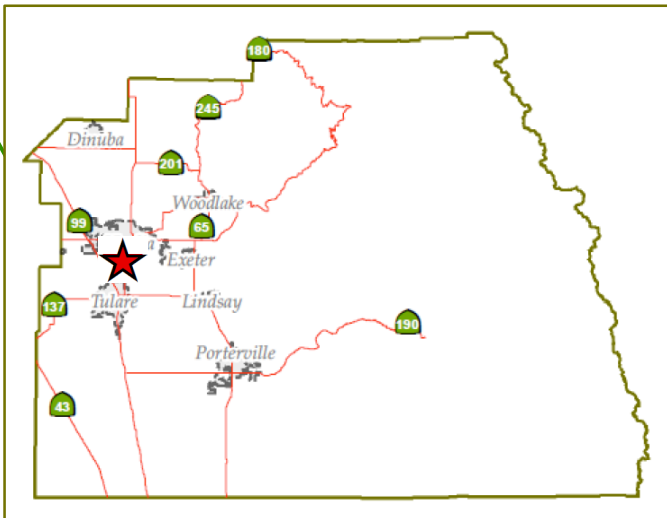
Road 92

Avenue 272



Road 100

Avenue 264



0 0.25 Miles

## **Attachment B**

# Notice of Exemption

## Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To:  Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tulare County Clerk  
Room 105, Courthouse  
221 South Mooney Boulevard  
Visalia, California 93291

<i>Date received by Tulare County Clerk</i>

**Lead Agency:** Tulare County -- Resource Management Agency  
5961 South Mooney Blvd  
Visalia, CA 93277 ph: 559- 624-7000  
Attn: [hguerra@co.tulare.ca.us](mailto:hguerra@co.tulare.ca.us)

**Applicant(s):** Tulare County Public Works ph: 559-624-7142  
5961 South Mooney Blvd.  
Visalia, CA 93277

**Activity / Project Title:** All-Way STOP Control at the Intersection of Road 100 and Avenue 272, south of Visalia

**Activity / Project Location - Specific:** Road 100 (Akers) and Avenue 272, just south of Visalia, CA

**Activity / Project Location - Section, Township, Range:** NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of S14 T19S R24E

**Activity / Project Location:** South of the city of Visalia, CA

**Activity / Project Location - County:** Tulare

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Activity / Project:** This project will enhance vehicular circulation and safety at the intersection of Road 100 and Avenue 272 just south of the city of Visalia, CA. Both roadways have a prima facie speed limit of 55 miles per hour and is currently a Two-Way Stop controlled intersection, with Stops on Avenue 272.

In response to concerns regarding traffic safety at this intersection, the Tulare County Resource Management Agency (RMA) conducted an investigation. To improve the vehicular circulation and safety at this intersection, the Traffic Operations Division determined this intersection meets the requirements of Section 2B.07 Multi-Way Stop Applications of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), and is consistent with the California Vehicle Code (CVC), Section 22450(c), which states in part that “a local authority may adopt rules and regulations by ordinance or resolution providing for the placement of a stop sign at any location on a highway under its jurisdiction where the stop sign would enhance traffic safety”.

### Exempt Status:


- Ministerial (PRC Sections 21080(b)(1); 15268));
- Declared Emergency (PRC Sections 21080(b)(3);15269(a));
- Emergency Project (PRC Sections 21080(b)(4);15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemptions: General Rule Exemption: (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15061(b)(3))**
- Statutory Exemptions: N/A.

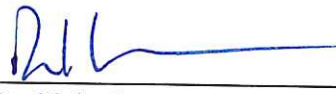
**Reasons Why Activity/Project are Exempt from CEQA:** This activity/project is intended to enhance vehicular safety, and as noted above, meets the requirements of Section 2B.07 Multi-Way Stop Applications of the CA MUTCD and CVC Section 22450(c). As such, the activity/project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the “general rule” or “common sense” exemption on the ground that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity (installation of stop signs) may have a significant effect on the environment (14 Cal. Code Regs., §15061, subd. (b)(3)).



Name of Public Agency Approving Activity / Project: Tulare County Resource Management Agency

Activity/Project Representative: Reed Schenke, P.E., Director - Public Works Telephone: (559) 624-7142

Signature:  Date: 7/12/18 Title: Chief Environmental Planner  
Hector Guerra

Signature:  Date: 7/13/18 Title: Environmental Assessment Officer  
Reed Schenke

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: N/A