

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: (Public Agency)
City of Merced
678 West 18th St.

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Project Title: Conditional Use Permit Application #1277 (Environmental Review #24-10)

Project Applicant: Carl Jones, AT&T Mobility
Project Location (Specific): 1717 E. Olive Ave **APN:** 008-060-057

Project Location - City: Merced **Project Location - County:** Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To install a 55-foot-tall stealth mono-pine wireless communication tower.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Merced

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Carl Jones, AT&T Mobility

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: 15332/15303(d)
- Statutory Exemptions. State Code Number: _____.
- General Rule (Sec. 15061 (b)(3))

Reasons why Project is Exempt: As defined under the above referenced Section, the proposed project is considered an in-fill project. The project location is within the City limits on a parcel less than 5-acres in size, and is surrounded by urban uses. The site can be served by all required utilities and public services, and the project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species. No significant effects resulting from traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality will result from the construction of the building. The project is consistent with the City of Merced General Plan and Zoning regulations.

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures). This exemption provides for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes water main, sewage, electrical, gas, and other utility extensions (State CEQA Guidelines Class 3 15303(d)). The proposed construction of wireless telecommunication facilities can be considered a utility extension.

Lead Agency: City of Merced

Contact Person: Jessie Lee **Area Code/Telephone:** (209) 385-6858

Signature:  _____ **Date:** June 13, 2024

Title: Development Services Technician II

Signed by Lead Agency Date Received for Filing at OPR: n/a
(If applicable)

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