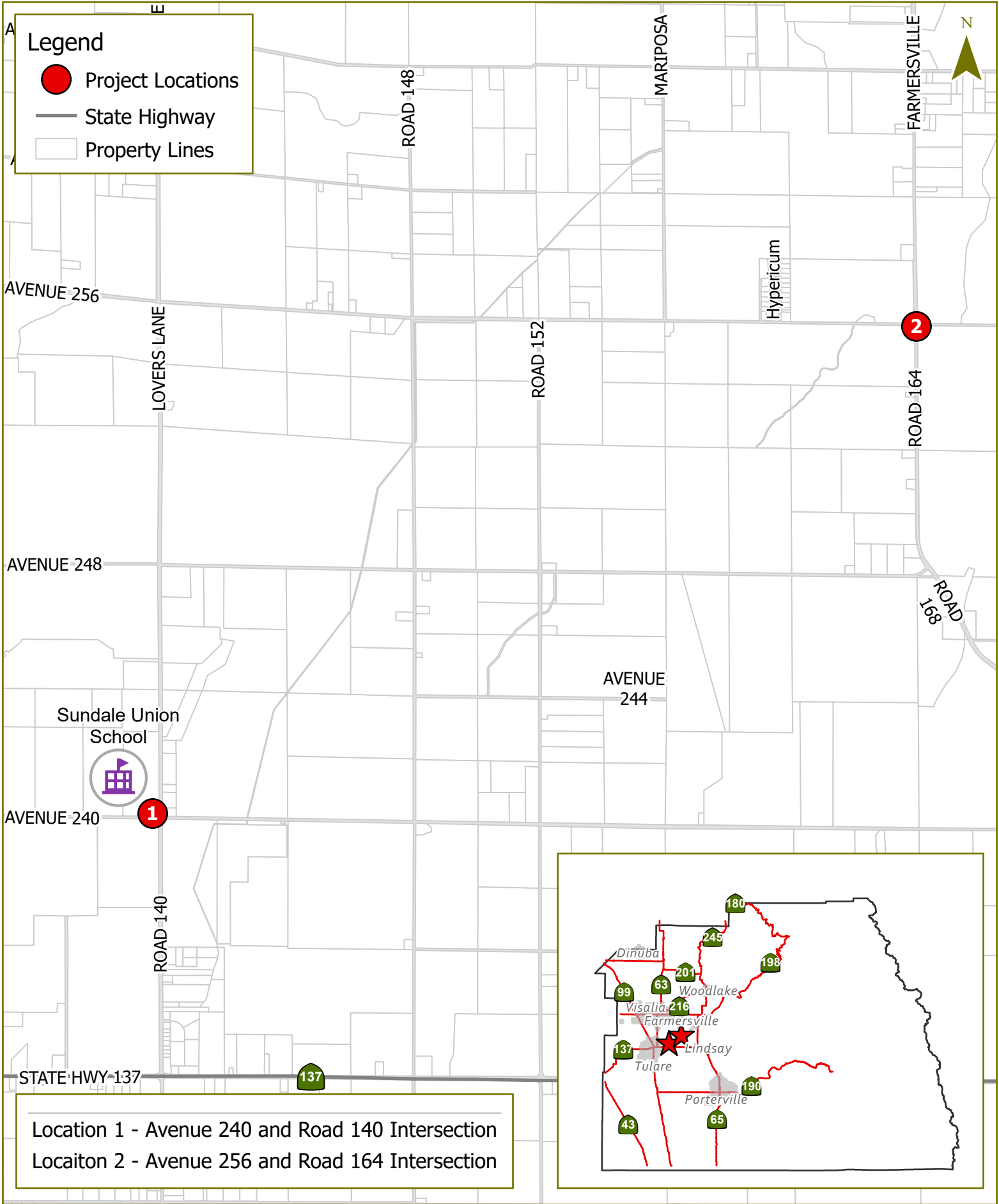


Attachment A - Vicinity Map



Attachment C
Notice of Exemption

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Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

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221 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93291

Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency
5961 South Mooney Blvd.
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Attn: hguerra@tularecounty.ca.gov

Applicant(s): Tulare County Public Works
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Project Title: Overhead Flashing Beacons Safety Project

Project Location - Specific: Location 1- Avenue 240 and Road 140

Location 2- Avenue 256 and Road 164

Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Location 1- S. 3/T. 20S/R. 25E, Location 2- S. 30/ T. 19S/R. 26E

Project Location - City: Location 1- Tulare, CA, Location 2- Visalia, CA **Project Location - County:** Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of improvements at the intersections of Avenue 240 and Road 140 (Location 1) & Avenue 256 and Road 164 (Location 2). The purpose of the proposed project is to improve the safety of the intersections by increasing the visibility for these rural all-way stop-controlled intersections. No additional right-of-way will be acquired and no construction work outside the existing right-of-way will occur. Construction activities will include shoulder excavation, overhead beacon installation, and signing/stripping. This project will provide a public benefit by improving safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for the general population in the region and motorists using these facilities. Construction is anticipated to begin in Summer of 2022.

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));
- ☐ Common Sense Rule: CEQA guidelines 15061 (b)(3)
- X **Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities (c)**
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons why project is exempt: This action is consistent with Class 1 Section 15301, Existing Structures (c), as activities associated with the project will include replacement of existing facilities with negligible or no expansion of capacity. Also, consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Number 300 Section 111. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS Class 1: Existing Facilities (c). As such, Sections 15301 and 15300.4 are applicable and appropriate for this project

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Tulare, Resource Management Agency

Project Planner/Representative: Reed Schenke, Director

Area Code/Telephone: 559-624-7142

Signature: _____
Hector Guerra

Date: _____ Title: Chief Environmental Planner

Signature: _____
Reed Schenke, P.E.

Date: _____ Title: Environmental Assessment Officer
Director

X Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

<i>Dated filed at Tulare County Clerk's Office</i>