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#### SUBJECT:

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21152 of the Public Resources Code

### PROJECT TITLE:

**Environmental Assessment for Conditional Use Permit Application No. P18-01457** 

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SCH No. 2019011001 City of Fresno
Development

City of Fresno 559-621-8172 Development & Resource Management Department

Ralph Kachadourian, Supervising Planner

PROJECT LOCATION: 2912 South Cedar Avenue, Fresno, CA, Fresno County APN: 487-140-59

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Conditional Use Permit Application No. P18-01457 was submitted by Comprehensive Planning Associates, Inc., on behalf of Kochergen Farms Composting, Inc., pertaining to a 10.09-acre property located at 2912 South Cedar Avenue (APN 487-140-59). The subject site is designated in the General Plan as Employment - Heavy Industrial and zoned IH, Heavy Industrial.

On February 28, 2017, Green Valley Recycling was granted approval of a development permit application (D-16-117) to establish and operate a green and wood waste chip and grind facility on this former feed mill site with a maximum capacity of 500 tons per day. The current proposal under this conditional use permit application is to modify Green Valley's approved recycling operations into a material sort facility/transfer station. This modification is due to changes in State law requiring Green Valley to accept and process residential food waste into their green waste collection containers/devices. This change results in the need for Green Valley to modify its recycling operations approved under D-16-117, with a design capacity at ultimate build out of 2,500 ton per day.

Green Valley Recycling is one of two sites approved by the City of Fresno to accept curbside picked up green waste. The facility also accepts green waste from other jurisdictions including private haulers. Materials that will not be acceptable are; hazardous type wastes; medical wastes; asbestos

materials, ash and sludge. The proposed operations will continue to process recyclable materials, construction/demolition materials (C&D) and green and wood waste as previously approved. Materials will also be transferred to an approved land fill; transferred to an existing approved (offsite) composting facility; shipped to a cogeneration plant or sold to recyclers. The facility will be open to the general public, municipal haulers, and contract haulers. Materials will be accepted to the maximum capacity of the facility. The proposed facility will provide added transfer and recycling capacity and opportunities to the residents and communities of Fresno County and the City of Fresno.

This is to advise and certify that the City of Fresno, the Lead Agency, approved the environmental finding and assessment prepared for the above-described project on November 26, 2018. The following determinations have been made regarding this project:

1. The project ([ ] will [ X ] will not) have a significant effect on the environment.

[ ] An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 [ X ] A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

3. Mitigation measures ([ X ] were [ ] were not) made a condition of the approval of the project.

4. A statement of Overriding Considerations ([ ] was [ X ] was not) adopted for this project.

5. Findings ([] were [X] were not) made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The above-described environmental assessment, together with the full initial study, comments and responses and record of project approval, is available to the general public at the City of Fresno Development and Resource Management Department, 2600 Fresno Street, Room 3043, Fresno, California 93721-3604.

Ralph Kachadourian

Ralph Kachadourian, Supervising Planner City of Fresno Development Services Division March 21, 2019 Date

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