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Yolo County				
Name of Claimant: Tiffany Nolan for hers and J.R., a minor, and on behalf of the	Occupation of Claimant:			
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Business Address of Claimant:	City and State: Zip Code:	Business Telephone Number:		
c/o 895 Marlborough Ave., #200	•	(951) 686-4800		
	ch you desire notices or communications to be sent.	Claimant's Social Security No:		
895 Marlborough Ave., Suite 200, Riverside, CA 92507				
When did DAMAGE or INJURY occur? Date July 1, 2025 Time 6:00 p.m. Names of any county employees involved in INJURY or DAMAGE?				
If claim is for Equitable Indemnity, give date claimant See Attachment for officials/employees				
served with the complaint:				
Where did DAMAGE or INJURY occur? Describe fully, and locate on diagram on reverse side of this sheet. Where appropriate, give				
street names and address and measurements from landmarks:				
26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA (See Attachment and Exhibits)				
Describe in detail how the DAMAGE or INJURY occurred:				
See Attachment and Exhibits				
Why do you claim the county is responsible?				
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	Dennis E. Wagner, Esq.	December 22, 2025		
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ATTACHMENT TO GOVERNMENTAL CLAIM

I. THE EXPLOSION/DEATHS

This tragedy resulting in the deaths of 7 individuals and impacting the families of all concerned occurred July 1, 2025, at or around 6:00 pm on the property located on 26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627-2230. This was property owned by Sam and Tammy Machado and title was held by their Trust. The property is held in a trust known as the Machado Revocable Trust on behalf of Sam and Tammy Machado. This property is where an explosion occurred on the property which housed fireworks, explosives, ammunitions and guns.

The buildings on the property include a residence, explosive containers, open-sided access facilities and a warehouse. The premises housed fireworks and chemicals and stored these for sale and for use at fireworks shows. Fireworks were also assembled on the property. The explosion caused an 80acre fire in the area. Residents were evacuated, and with the presence of the hazardous materials on the property with the multiple locations of fireworks and the gun/ammunition business all hampered the emergency response of first responders. The property contained multiple Conex containers, buildings and structures. Seven people were killed. Jesus Manaces Ramos, Jhony Ramos, Joel Melendez Jr., Carlos Rodriguez, Angel Voller, Neil Li and Christopher Bocog. All seven individuals died due to "multiple blast and thermal injuries. The entire incident was preventable. The property was a public nuisance, violated county ordinances, state law, state regulations and was the result of negligence, failure to follow statutes, violations of mandatory duties imposed by statute and intentional acts of multiple parties, hereinafter including the Governmental entities herein which includes the State of California, Office of the State Fire Marshall, Yolo County, Esparto Fire Protection District an entity controlled by Yolo County and numerous other individual defendants. The property was allowed to violate state and county law and regulations because of the close relationship between the owners of the property and county officials. The property was the beneficiary of selective enforcement of laws and regulations which allowed the fireworks company and the property

owners to operate and create dangerous conditions without any oversight or enforcement of safety regulations.

The property contained fireworks and explosives, including those used at fireworks shows and those that are deemed safe and legal under California law. The fireworks on site were controlled and managed by Devastating Pyrotechnics, Inc., along with another company, Blackstar Fireworks Inc. Devastating was California LLC owned and controlled by Kenneth Chee, a convicted felon who had been denied a permit by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco & Firearms (ATF.) The permits granted by the State of California Office of the State Fire Marshall to Devastating Pyrotechnics for the import, display and use of fireworks were made despite the denial by ATF of allowing Chee to have an import permit. Chee simply used a straw person instead of his name to obtain his ATF license. The companies preyed upon Hispanics who comprised the work force, paying them in cash and avoiding all pretense of the standard employer/employee relationship. The materials were piled high to the top of the warehouse, fireworks stored in Conex boxes were improperly placed in violation of setback requirements. The employees assembled fireworks on site and manufacturing was not allowed. Dangerous chemicals were onsite and mixed both on and off-site all-in violation of state laws and regulations and county ordinances. All of this took place with knowledge of high ranking Yolo County employees who failed to take any steps to correct the problems and prevent the tragedy or inform state and federal authorities.

Blackstar Fireworks, Inc. was a Wyoming corporation which listed the same business address as that of the Machado premises at 26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627-2230. and the corporation was owned and controlled by Craig Cutwright who is believed to have lived on the property.

There was also an active gun business on the premises, Sams Gun Sales and owned and operated by Sam Machado and Tammy Machado. This business sold firearms and ammunition. Upon information and belief this was a California corporation that was registered with ATF and was doing business at the same 26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627-2230 address.

Residents surrounding the area were evacuated. Several high-profile fireworks show that were to be conducted by the businesses were canceled because of the explosion, including those in Lodi, Chico, Cloverdale, St. Helena, and the El Dorado County Fair's Family Blast as well as The Stockton 99 Speedway canceled an event because they had contracted with Devastating Pyrotechnics. Yolo County declared a local health emergency in response to this event.

A. The Property Location

The property at 26450 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627 was owned by Sam and Tammy Machado. Sam is a Lieutenant with the Yolo County Sheriff's Office. Tammy Machado was a legal secretary for the sheriff's department. Sam Machado was also a former Assistant Chief of the neighboring Madison Fire Protection District. The Machado property is in the Esparto Fire Protection District. (See Exhibits 1 and 2)

The property title is held in a Trust known as the Machado Revocable Trust. Reiko Matsumura is the sister and the owner of the property nearby (18080 County Road 86), and she also was a Yolo sheriff's deputy. (See Exhibit 3.) Tammy Machado and Reiko Matsumura's father, Jerry Matsumura, previously owned the Esparto property until his death in 2015, and had served as a local fire commissioner. Mr. Matsumura regularly blasted off fireworks over the years, sometimes producing full-length shows over the fields with industrial-grade fireworks.

Sam Machado also operated a gun store on the property called Sams Guns. Sams Gun Sales was located at 26450 Country Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627. **(See Exhibit 4.)** It is believed that both Devastating and Blackstar leased space at the site or had Machados as silent partners in the businesses.

Sam allowed Cutright to use his property and allowed other side vendors who were part of Blackstar and Devastating to store fireworks unpermitted on the property. These include Big Bully Fireworks, Uncle Sam Fireworks, Ba Boom Fireworks, Uncle Jack Fireworks, Riding Dirty Fireworks, For the Streets Fireworks and OOG or double G Fireworks which was a brand or label used. Machado was paid in cash for rent in allowing the storage to occur on site and it's unknown whether he had an ownership interest in any of the companies or the fireworks being stored. Claimant is informed and believes that the

connection between the Machados and Yolo County authorities protected them from inspections and code enforcement which is why these companies used the property to store their explosives without taking proper precautions.

It's believed that this illegal operation was allowed to operate due to Machado and his connections to the Yolo County Sheriff, Tom Lopez and that it was common knowledge that the businesses operated on his property. It is believed that this location may have been a clearing facility to hold fireworks for shipping to locations within California and its believed that the transportation of the fireworks to and from this location failed to comply with applicable statutes concerning precautions to be used and protocols to be followed for transportation. These connections intimidated or somehow prevented other Yolo County officials to perform their mandatory job duties which would have prevented this disaster.

B. Devastating Pyrotechnics

Devastation is owned by Kenneth Chee and started in 2013. The company address and mailing address is 477 Second Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118. Kenneth Chee built Devastating Pyrotechnics over several years, becoming a recognized name in the pyrotechnics industry despite being barred federally from holding or acquiring fireworks due to a felony conviction. Chee is an optician in San Francisco as of Feb 17, 2000. The earliest filing for the secretary of state is June of 2013 when Chee filed as an LLC for his company. (See Exhibit 5.)

According to a Devastating Proposal with the City of Pinole Chee's experience is as follows; 15 years' experience Product Selection. Devastating Pyrotechnics Fireworks Importer. Licensed ATF Explosives Importer & Manufacturer. Licensed Pyrotechnic Operator. Public Fireworks Displays. Western Pyrotechnics Association, NFPA (National Fire Protection Association.) (See Exhibit 6.)

The company has been an importer and manufacturer of display pyrotechnics and has contracted with local municipalities in Northern California for fireworks shows for about three decades. Chee was denied federal explosives license due to a 1998 felony conviction for assault with a firearm. Under federal law, individuals with such convictions are barred from holding explosives permits in fact, even if under indictment but not convicted

of a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year (the minimum threshold for a felony), it can disqualify someone from obtaining an explosives license.

Devastating was shipping fireworks from China to Reiko Matsumura (Machados sister in laws) house located on 18080 County Road 86 from 2015-2025. This house is down the road from the main property. (See Exhibit 7.) The company had both state and federal licenses for wholesale and display fireworks but was never licensed at the local level for storage of hazardous materials or for any aspect of its operation. Additionally, the site used for the Esparto warehouse was zoned for agricultural equipment storage, not fireworks or explosives. Claimant is informed and believes that due to the connection between the Machados/Matsumura with Yolo county officials including the sherifs the failure to obtain the permits was part of a plan to conceal the illegal and unsafe activities from creating a public record, save costs in safety precautions giving the company an economic advantage over their law abiding competitors, and with full knowledge that Yolo county would participate in protecting them by not enforcing the law and not reporting their activities to state or federal officials.

Chee obtained state licenses through California's Office of the State Fire Marshal. Chee held a valid active pyrotechnic operator basic commercial license that expires in 2026. Devastating had three valid License types:

- Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Public Display General
- Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Wholesaler
- Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Importer/Exporter

Chee was denied federal licensing but operated his business using licenses obtained for others associated with the company, such as Gary Chan Jr. The company had federal licensing in Chan's name for the company's storage containers. In August 2025, the California Office of the State Fire Marshal after the explosions revoked licenses for Devastating Pyrotechnics in connection with ongoing investigations.

In a 2023 proposal by Devastating Pyrotechnics to the city of Rio Vista, the company marketed itself as "one of the premier importers and manufacturers of display pyrotechnics in the Western US." (See Exhibit 8.)

Devastating Pyrotechnics was not licensed as a manufacturer in the state of California (See Exhibit 9.)

The employer violated all safety protocols for the operation of its business as determined by Cal-OSHA (report not yet received.) Also various employment statutes concerning payment of wages, including wage and hour violations, overtime laws violated without appropriate pay, failure to provide statutory breaks and lunches and appropriate documentation of payroll and all other operations as required under Labor code, 201, 226, 226(b), 226.3, 226.7, 510, 512, 1174, 1182.12, 1194, 1194.2 Title 8 Code of Regulations Section 11050, Industrial Welfare Commission Order No. 5-2001, Labor Code Section 558(a).

C. Blackstar Fireworks

This business was owned by Craig Cutright. The company is registered as a Wyoming profit corporation and was started by Cutright in 2023. The mailing address is 30 Gould St Ste R Sheridan WY 8280. Cutright was operating on the property owned by Sam Machado. The address of the incorporator Cutwright is 26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627-2230, or the Machado address. **(See Exhibit 10.)** Cutwright had a place to stay at the Esparto address, and the property had a gate which separated the fireworks of Blackstone and his other vendors from the storage of the fireworks of Devastating and its other vendors.

Cutright was a volunteer firefighter for the Esparto Fire Protection District. The Esparto Fire Protection District is primarily staffed with volunteer firefighters supplemented with reserve and full-time career firefighters. Cutright rented a house on the Machados' property where he lived since 2022.

According to the 2019 Pinole fireworks proposal by Devastating Pyro, Cutwright is listed as a Senior Show Producer /Choreography with over 15 years' experience Digital systems choreography. Cutwright did hold a valid pyrotechnic operator basic commercial license. (See Exhibit 6.)

Blackstar Fireworks Licenses from the State Fire Marshall included Public Display – General, wholesaler/importer, exporter. Craig Cutright had an active fireworks pyrotechnic operator license.

On July 15, The Office of the State Fire Marshal announced that they had revoked the pyrotechnics licenses of Kenneth Chee and Craig Cutright – two people whose companies, Devastating Pyrotechnics Inc. and Blackstar Fireworks violated California's laws regarding fireworks, including not reporting lost fireworks and possessing fireworks without a local fire permit.

The employer violated all safety protocols for the operation of its business as determined by Cal-OSHA (report not yet received.) There was no safety equipment, no training, no sprinklers or adequate fire suppression, no protective clothing, no masks, improper ventilation of buildings, no signage, improper storage of explosives and chemicals, and was a disaster ready to happen. All of this would have been immediately known to any code enforcement inspector had any conducted their inspections of the location.

Also various employment statutes concerning payment of wages, including wage and hour violations, overtime laws violated without appropriate pay, failure to provide statutory breaks and lunches and appropriate documentation of payroll and all other operations as required under Labor code, 201, 226, 226(b), 226.3, 226.7, 510, 512, 1174, 1182.12, 1194, 1194.2 Title 8 Code of Regulations Section 11050, Industrial Welfare Commission Order No. 5-2001, Labor Code Section 558(a.)

It's believed that this illegal operation was allowed to operate due to Cutright, in addition to Machado and his connections to the Yolo County Sheriff, Tom Lopez. Machado and Lopez had served together for the Madison Fire Protection District and was aware of the fireworks on the property and the illegal nature of the operation but failed to act due to his relationship with Machado and others. Cutright was a volunteer fire fighter with Esparto Fire Protection District and was friends with the fire chief, Curtis Lawrence, and that it was common knowledge that the businesses operated on the Machado property. Further, its believed that Lawrence was actively involved in advising Cutright and that this relationship affected Cutright from performing his mandatory duties under Yolo County ordinances and state law which led to this tragedy occurring. These connections created the appearance of intimidation or officials were in fact intimidated or somehow prevented by other Yolo County officials from performing their mandatory job duties which would have prevented this disaster, including the failures of the Lawrence the

fire chief which shows ratification of his intentional and negligent misconduct as the Department Head of the Esparto Fire Protection District.

D. Yolo County

2021

The Machado property is zoned for Agricultural Intensive use. (See Exhibit 11.) A permit for a building application for a structure to be built on the property was dated November 17, 2021, and signed by Sam Machado. (See Exhibit 12.) As part of the application, Sam Machado signed an Owners Agreement to Limit Agricultural Operations under penalty of perjury asserting that the building would only be used for an agricultural building. The description provided by Machado to the County of Yolo is that the building would be used for agricultural equipment storage. (See Exhibit 12.) Table 8-2.3-4(d) provides that explosives handling is not allowed in the Agricultural Intensive Designated Area where the property was located (See Exhibit 12.) The application presented by Machado was intentionally false.

Section 8-2.302 (a) defines an Agricultural Intensive zone in pertinent part:

...The purpose of the zone is to promote those uses, while preventing the encroachment of nonagricultural uses. Uses ...are primarily limited to intensive agricultural production and other activities compatible with agricultural uses. This includes allowing agriculturally related support uses, excluding incompatible uses, and protecting the viability of the family farm....

Prior to the building permit application in August 2021, there were conversations going on between Building Officials for the County of Yolo and Matt Soderer as the owners' representative for the Machados. The building that was proposed for Machado was told to county officials that it was going to be for the drying preparation of almonds. The proposed building was also estimated to be 10,000,15,000 or up to 20,000 sq ft. This elicited a response from the County that such large structures would need sprinklers. In response, Matt Soderer indicated that the owner stated it would be used for storing farm equipment, drying almonds for two months annually, no one working as a paid worker would be inside the building for any length of time and there would be no processing, packaging maintenance facilities work being performed in the

building. In response, Scott Doolittle for the County of Yolo Building Department indicated that AG Exempt building would most likely be a storage building for almonds harvested on site before shipping to an area to be dried, or to store the equipment as he indicated he would have a hard time imagining a farmer running a processing operation without employees. (See Exhibit 13.)

It was at or about this same time frame when Scott Doolittle is told about Craig Cutwright who indicated he wanted to store fireworks in a location within the County. The area he was looking at was approximately 40 acres at the end of County Road 23 for storage of fireworks. Cutwright references speaking to Curtis Lawrence for Esparto Fire for feedback and who supposedly had given his approval to Cutwright. Scott Doolittle responds that there was no exception in the code for fireworks. (See Exhibit 14.)

2022

A building permit was issued January 25, 2022, to Matt Soderer for FC Steel Structures, the builder for the property which listed Tammy Machado as the owner. **(See Exhibit 15.)** On January 3, 2022, Lia Kollen from Environmental Health Division of the County of Yolo sent an email concerning the building permit BP-2021-1028 for an agricultural storage facility structure and indicated that it was approved. **(See Exhibit 16.)** The building was now 4500 sq. ft.

On or about August 26, 2022, an Environmental Health Land Use Review Survey was submitted by Matt Soderer for the building that had been approved and constructed. The owner was listed as Sam Machado and the email to use for communications was pigsguns@gmail.com. This completed survey stated it would not be used for any handling or storage of any hazardous materials. It further stated that it would not generate any hazardous waste and lastly there would not be any hazardous materials storage containers on the property. This was certified by Matt Soderer and done falsely and with the intent to avoid further inspections and fees that were associated with hazardous materials including the filing of a business plan to Environmental Health. (See Exhibit 17.)

Another building permit application was done in and around May 6, 2022, by Matt Soderer for electrical for the building constructed on the property. The electrical contractor was Kevin Foster Construction. **(See**

Exhibit 18.) In and around early June 2022, the County of Yolo was placed on notice of issues concerning the subject property. The electrical meter inspection for the building did not pass inspection. The inspectors A. Espinoza and J. Little noted that the 200-amp meter exceeded the permitted use in an AG Exempt Zone. Scott Doolittle, the Chief Building Official for the County of Yolo had stated that having a 200-amp meter in an AG Exempt location was a red flag that the proposed use of the building was inconsistent with the AG Exempt building restrictions that had been approved. (See Exhibit 19.) Scott Doolittle in an email to Leslie Lindo, his Department Head for Department of Community Services dated June 2, 2022, stated that he was heading out to a site for a meter release and that he had a tip the site was being used to run a pyrotechnics business. Sheriff's deputies potentially including deputies that they worked with were supposedly involved. The business is using an AG Exempt building plus 25 Conex boxes for the operation. Doolittle states he was going to meet Angelina for the inspection and gather information and verify the reports and that he would tread lightly and then discuss how to proceed. (See Exhibit 20.) It is believed that Machado, being a Lieutenant with the Sheriff's Department, provided him with protection and its believed that the Sheriff Tom Lopez was fully aware of the illegal business operation on the Machado property and was part of the county coverup.

The memo from Doolittle sparked interest as an email chain starts and as of June 3, 2022, it includes the Director of Community Services, Leslie Lindbo and Moustumi Hasan, Supervising Hazardous Materials Specialist. Reference is made by Hasan as to requirements needed for compliance including a HMBP (Hazardous Material Business Plan) and other requirements depending on what the facility is doing. Doolittle indicates that he has spoken to Fire Chief Lawrence with the Esparto Fire Protection District and that the containers are grouped appropriately and states they appear to meet fire separation requirements but that he would need to verify. Doolittle confirms the fire chief states that the business is licensed through ATF and also references the outdoor repackaging and processing of materials for compliance with ATF. (See Exhibit 21.)

The Esparto Fire Chief Lawrence stated that the department knew they had fireworks stored on the property even though there was no permit. The county said that certain conditional uses may have been permitted, but

explosives handling was explicitly prohibited in agricultural zones. (See Exhibit 11.)

Site visits, but not inspections, had been conducted at the warehouse in the past and because of that Esparto firefighters were aware of the presence of fireworks, according to Esparto Fire Chief Lawrence. He also said that he never conducted a formal safety inspection or issued a local fire permit for the property.

The Esparto Fire Chief stated that the department knew they had fireworks stored there even though they did not have a permit. The county said that certain conditional uses may have been permitted, but explosives handling was explicitly prohibited in agricultural zones. This means they were in violation of zoning regulations. (See Exhibit 11.)

Site visits, but not inspections, had been conducted at the warehouse in the past as Esparto firefighters were aware of the presence of fireworks, according to Esparto Fire Chief Lawrence. Lawrence also said that he never conducted a formal safety inspection or issued a local permit for the property.

In 2023 the Machado property received a Certificate of Occupancy from Yolo County for the property describing installation of a new metal building on the property that was for commercial storage. The certificate certified that the portion of the structure was inspected for compliance with CA building codes and Yolo County requirements regulating building construction and occupancy. (See Exhibit 21.)

The Building Division staff of Yolo did not return to the site or take other actions relating to the building or the fireworks at the site after mid-2022 as no records have been provided. At no time did the County receive any applications or issue any permits, licenses, or other approvals authorizing fireworks storage, handling, or other activities on the property despite their knowledge of the dangerous condition of the property which was not allowed to be present. The building was presented to Yolo County under false representations of being used for almond storage or AG storage farming supplies and the County knew in mid-2022 that the use proposed was false and failed to take actions to enforce their own building and safety codes.

Yolo county was on notice in 2021 of irregularities regarding the Machado business that came to light and were on notice in 2022 of the building code violations for the structure that was placed on the property. Yolo County violated its mandatory duty to enforce the building code as it concerns the structure that was built by Machado which placed the County of Yolo on notice. Health & Safety Code Section 17961.

The county was aware that the original plans for an almond drying facility were false as it learned the operation was instead a hazardous fireworks storage and manufacturing facility. The property was not zoned for this use, and the use was specifically prohibited. There were no conditional use permits or any actions to allow the business to exist. The County violated its own mandatory duty as it concerns enforcement of its building codes to ensure the dangerous condition that existed was rectified. The County knew but failed to act and to enforce its own mandatory provisions which would have resulted in the business not being in operation and the dangerous nuisance that it was with the hazardous materials on site would not have resulted in the tragic deaths.

E. Esparto Fire Protection District

The Machado property is located within Esparto Fire Protection District. The Fire Chief for the District at the time was Curtis Lawrece. The Esparto Fire Protection District was formed in March of 1931 by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors to provide fire protection, emergency medical services, and mutual aid services. The Esparto Fire Protection District is governed by a board of five Fire Commissioners that are appointed by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. The subject area is covered by the district. (**See Exhibit 22.**) Craig Cutright was a volunteer firefighter from 2023-2025 and still shows on the district website as a firefighter. (See Exhibit 23.) On February 1, 2021, Craig Cutright was a show producer for Devastating Pyrotechnics. He emailed Fire Chief Lawrence about expanding the operations on real property for storage and handling of 1.3 and 1.4 fireworks (See Exhibit 24.) Under United States laws, all fireworks are classified between 1.1G and 1.4G, with the vast majority falling under the 1.3G or 1.4G rating. This refers to their specific Hazard Division within Class 1 Explosives, Compatibility group G. Fireworks that are classified as 1.3G are professional display fireworks, while those that are classified as 1.4G are consumer fireworks. (See Exhibit 25.) Cutwright

decides to join the Fire Department for the District in 2023 which coincides with his business launch and his storage of fireworks on the property for a period. Cutwright upon information and belief was also residing somewhere on the Machado property. Since the Fire District he joined coincided with the area where the fireworks were located it was in his interest to maintain a friendly relationship with Chief Lawrence. Chief Lawrence and Craig were in communication over texts from April 2023 to July 4, 2025, when Curtis Cutright resigned from the Fire Protection District as a volunteer firefighter. (See Exhibit 26.)

The fire district was aware through its Fire Chief of the unlawful, illegal fireworks operation at the Machado property from at least 2021. The failure to ensure compliance with required storage regulations promulgated by ATF and Cal Fire, failure to provide a HWMB plan, the failure of allowing an authorized illegal business to operate in a moderate fire zone without any compliance as to safety regulations promulgated by the State.

II. LIABILITY OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND OFFICIALS

A. <u>Yolo County Defendants</u>

The property owned by the Machado Trust (associated with Yolo County Sheriff's Lt. Sam Machado and his wife) in Esparto, Yolo County, was the site of a fireworks storage facility operated by Devastating Pyrotechnics and Blackstar Fireworks. The county was aware of potential fireworks storage as early as mid-2022 but failed to enforce regulations, allowing unpermitted operations to continue until the disaster. These violations primarily stem from the county's failure to enforce zoning, permitting, and hazardous materials rules despite red flags.

Yolo County's zoning and code enforcement framework prohibits non-agricultural hazardous uses without explicit approvals. The property was zoned "Agricultural Intensive" (A-N district), which explicitly bans commercial storage of fireworks or explosives. The county's Community Development Agency and Building Division had a duty to inspect, investigate tips, and halt violations, but records show they took no enforcement action after 2022 when they were placed on notice of a dangerous and illegal use of the property.

Yolo County requires Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) for non-agricultural uses. Yolo County Zoning Code (Title 8), Section 8-2.17 (E)(7); Also, Title 8, Section 8-2.501 et seq.: Agricultural zones (e.g., A-N) permit only farming-related activities like almond processing/storage. Non-agricultural commercial warehousing or hazardous materials storage requires a CUP from the Planning Commission and potential zoning amendment by the Board of Supervisors. Per Yolo County Zoning and Section 65905 of the Government Code, both require a public hearing to be held on the application for a CUP and here no CUP hearings were ever held, and no CUP was ever issued to allow for the storage of fireworks in this area..

County staff knew of fireworks storage in 2022 (via tip during building permit review for an "agricultural equipment" structure related to an electrical panel) but failed to take any action; failed to require a CUP application, failed to inspect further, or deny the permit based on the tip and later inspection. The records listed the building for a use for "almonds," yet fireworks operations expanded unchecked. Emails from Chief Building Official Scott Doolittle (2022) noted "pyrotechnics business" involvement by sheriff's deputies and ATF-licensed containers but performed no follow-up visits or took action to abate an obvious nuisance. This led to unpermitted storage of display-grade fireworks in shipping containers, contributing to the explosion.

Yolo County Fire Code requires local permits for storage/handling of hazardous materials/explosives >500 lbs. The Fire Chief must approve sites and conduct inspections which are mandatory. No exemptions for state-licensed operations without local approval. No local fire permit was issued despite awareness of the operations. Esparto Fire Chief Curtis Lawrence confirmed knowledge of "explosives" on-site in 2021 emails but did not enforce any permit or safety plan or perform the type of inspection mandated by the Fire Code. The violations of the Fireworks provisions of the code extend to both display fireworks and sane and safe fireworks as both were stored on site and the County violated the entirety of its Fireworks ordinances as set forth in Article 4 Fireworks.

The State Fire Marshal revoked state licenses post-explosion, citing violations including possession of explosives without local permits. Yolo County admitted no approvals were granted yet the operations were allowed to exist despite the obviously known violations.

Yolo County Environmental Health Division under Ordinance Title 7: Businesses storing greater than 500 lbs. of hazardous materials (e.g., pyrotechnics) must submit a Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) for emergency response planning. Annual inspections are mandatory. The purpose of the HMBP and reporting process is to satisfy the community right to know requirements and allow emergency responders to plan for a hazardous materials related incident. No HMBP was filed or reviewed for the site, despite fireworks known to be on site and exceeding thresholds. Yolo County hazmat failed to flag it during 2022 and the building review once it learned of the hazardous explosive materials.

Yolo County Code Enforcement Policy (Title 1): Requires prompt investigation of tips/complaints about zoning/fire code breaches, with escalation to citations or shutdowns if unpermitted. When a violation is determined to exist, the "Enforcement Officer must take steps to gain compliance". The enforcement officer must issue a courtesy notice, then notice of violation hearing notice, and then issue an administrative citation. Yolo Code Enforcement Policy Sections 1-5.04-5.09.

After the 2022 tip, staff visited once (observing containers), then ceased all actions in following up with the violations noted. Instead, approval of a permit for the building was provided despite the violations of its codes where it was noted that the property was not being used for an agriculture purpose. No reports or complaints were followed up, despite internal emails labelling it the "pyro site." Post incident it was determined that "no enforcement actions" despite the mandatory duties imposed by the County and its officials. Yolo County failed its statutory duties which includes but is not limited to the following:

- This certification for the building failed to meet the requirements of the County of Yolo:
- There was no hazardous materials plan (HMBP.) submitted as required.
- There was no conditional use permit to allow the activity of fireworks handling.
- There was no inspection for compliance with fire codes.

- There was no signage or compliance with any California laws or regulations regarding storage of explosives.
- There was no safety equipment or safety protocols for hazardous materials.
- The building was falsely represented as to its use, and the County was aware in 2022 that it was not being used for its stated purpose, and it was an illegal operation.
- The County knew the premises were dangerous and constituted a public nuisance.
- The premises were not authorized for hazardous materials in its AG Exempt designated area.
- The County failed to enforce the ordinances for building safety, fireworks storage and permitting and for allowing a dangerous condition of property to exist.
- The County failed to act upon a dangerous condition of property constituting a nuisance.
- The County Fire Marshall failed to perform his duties of inspections and permitting for the property.

These lapses allowed the facility to operate illegally for years, with the county processing a 2022 permit under false pretenses as the facility was never used for almonds (agricultural use only).

State law mandates local jurisdictions like Yolo County to oversee fireworks storage as the "authority having jurisdiction" (AHJ). While the two companies held state licenses, local enforcement was required for site-specific compliance. The county's inaction violated duties to integrate state standards into local oversight.

Under California Health & Safety Code Section 12588, "The licensee or permittee shall permit the chief of the issuing authority, or his authorized representatives, as qualified in Section 12721, to enter and inspect any building or other premises subject to the control of or used by the licensee or permittee for any purposes related to fireworks at any time for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this part. Yolo County violated permitting and

inspection of explosive storage sites under Health & Safety Code §12500 et seq. (Fireworks Law) and California Fire Code §5601 (adopted statewide). Pursuant to this, local AHJs must issue permits for storage/handling of dangerous fireworks (e.g., display-grade) and inspect annually for compliance with NFPA 495 (explosives storage). No storage can be done without local approval, even with state pyrotechnic licenses. Yolo County issued no permits and skipped inspections, despite state law requiring AHJs to "determine frequency" of checks (minimum annual). Esparto Fire District (under county oversight) knew of operations but did not coordinate enforcement. There was "no local permit" as required. The explosion revealed improper storage (e.g., fireworks in an illegally approved building, not just ATF magazines which were improperly positioned pursuant to regulations for separation.

Yolo County violated Health & Safety Code §25501 et seq. (Hazardous Materials Release Response Plans) and Title 19 CCR §1100 (Explosives Regulations). This requires local CUPAs (Certified Unified Program Agency) to mandate HMBPs and ensure storage meets distance/separation rules (e.g., magazines 2,000+ ft apart). Yolo County, as the CUPA, failed to require/enforce HMBP or verify ATF-compliant separation (storage was too close, per maps). There was no reporting of imports/losses, violating integrated state-county duties.

Yolo County violated Health & Safety Code §12671 (Local Bans) and Fire Code §5604. This requires local governments must ban storage in incompatible zones (e.g., agriculture) unless state-preempted and enforce via AHJ oversight. The allowed storage in AG-zoned areas without a zoning variance, ignoring state mandate for local alignment as the tip in 2022, and later confirmation by county officials should have triggered a shutdown.

B. State of California and the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM)

Cal Fire, is responsible for issuing and enforcing pyrotechnic licenses, investigating fireworks incidents, and ensuring compliance with California's Health and Safety Code (HSC) Sections 12500–12728, which govern fireworks importation, storage, sales, and public displays. Local fire agencies handle permitting and inspections for hazardous materials, while federal oversight (e.g., ATF) covers explosives storage standards.

OSFM's core duties include licensing pyrotechnic operators, conducting criminal investigations, enforcing state laws, and coordinating with local/federal agencies. While the agency acted post-incident (e.g., rapid license suspensions and forming a Public Safety Fireworks Enforcement Task Force in July 2025 to review regulations), questions have arisen about pre-explosion oversight. These include failures of mandatory responsibilities under HSC § 12510 (enforcement authority) and California Fire Code § 105 (inspection mandates). The State Fire Code provides enforcement mandates to the Fire Marshal and to the respective counterparts in local agencies which were violated despite actual knowledge of the violations.

OSFM relies on local fire agencies (e.g., Esparto Fire Protection District) for hazardous materials inspections, with no state-mandated frequency for explosives sites per the Fire Code. However, OSFM can intervene if violations are reported.

Both companies held OSFM licenses (for import, public displays, and bulk sales) despite red flags, such as Chee's alleged use of a "loophole" to obtain federal ATF permits while skirting local rules by using a straw person to avoid his ATF problem. OSFM did not flag Cutright's local ties or Chee's import discrepancies.

Under Health & Safety Code § 12590, OSFM must verify applicant compliance. This was not performed by Fire Marshall. Health & Safety Code § 12728 requires OSFM to "cooperate" with locals, potentially violating public safety mandates.

The State Fire Marshall had knowledge before the incident of irregularities with the license of Chee based upon a raid in southern California. On May 21, 2025, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Office of the State Fire Marshal (CAL FIRE-OSFM) conducted a major raid in Commerce, California seizing over 100,000 pounds of illegal fireworks. The operation was a joint effort involving federal authorities from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Task Force, as well as support from the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

The May 21, 2025, raid in Commerce, California, targeted illegal fireworks stored in a warehouse leased by Johnny Chek, who operated a fireworks import business. However, the seized fireworks (over 100,000

pounds, with some reports citing up to 500,000 pounds) primarily belonged to Devastating Pyrotechnics LLC, owned by Kenneth Chee. The illegal stockpile in Commerce was stored there at Chek's facility, and investigators were informed of Chee's involvement and Chee's license was provided to the State Fire Marshall during the raid.

Despite a May 2025 Southern California raid uncovering illegal fireworks linked to Devastating Pyrotechnics, no follow-up inspection occurred at the Esparto site before July. Fire Marshal Daniel Berlant acknowledged "complexities" like local conflicts (e.g., Cutright's volunteer role in the Fire District and Machado's ownership of the premises as a lieutenant in the Sheriff's Dept), which led to recusal of Yolo County agencies.

OSFM's failure to audit high-risk licensees breaches its duty to "enforce" under Health & Safety Section 12510, especially given known prior violations. For the May seizure, Kara Garrett, Cal Fire deputy state fire marshal stated, "This is definitely one of the largest seizures that California has seen of fireworks". Investigators say the fireworks were stored illegally. "That's a lot of risk just in a smaller condensed area so one false move, it could just set the whole thing off," Garrett said. "It's very dangerous." "Fireworks are illegal in parts of California due to the significant risk they pose, as they cause severe injuries and millions of dollars in property damage each year," Cal Fire further stated, "Large grass crops and dry vegetation increase the threat of devastating fires throughout all of California."

III. CLAIMANTS/DAMAGES

Tiffany Nolan-Rodriguez individually, and as Guardian ad litem for P.N. and J.N.R. and on behalf of the Estate of Carlos Javier Rodriguez Mora (Hereinafter, collectively referred to as "PLAINTIFFS") have sustained general damages in excess of \$10,000,000 each; and have incurred and will incur expenses in excess of \$5,000,000.00, and other future losses in amounts that are as yet unknown and to be determined.

The amount of this claim exceeds \$10,000,000.00 for each PLAINTIFF, and is within the Superior Court, unlimited civil jurisdiction. (Govt. Code §910(f)).

On or about July 1, 2025, Carlos Javier Rodriguez Mora was killed from a massive explosion that occurred at or near 26454 County Road 23, Esparto, CA 95627. He and the workers were exploited as Hispanics on the basis of race by the fireworks entities as indicated above in that they were paid in cash and no protocols existed as to safety, equipment, or even their pay as they were paid in cash and never advised as to any rights to which they were entitled as employees.

IV. CAUSES OF ACTION

Negligence, premises liability, negligent supervision, training and/or retention, public nuisance, strict liability, survival action, negligent infliction of emotional distress, intentional infliction of emotional distress, unfair business practices, government tort liability under statute, all claims against governmental agencies and individuals and a survival action.

V. STATE AGENCIES OR EMPLOYEES AGAINST WHOM THIS CLAIM IS FILED

State of California; Office of the State Fire Marshal; Yolo County; Yolo County Sheriff's Office; Esparto Fire Protection District; Craig Cutright, individually, and as an agent of the Esparto Fire Protection District; Curtis Lawrence, individually, and as an agent of the Esparto Fire Protection District; Sam Machado, individually, as an agent of the Yolo County Sheriff Office, and as an agent of Blackstar Fireworks, a Wyoming Corporation; Tammy Machado, individually, as an agent of the Yolo County Sheriff Office, and as an agent of Blackstar Fireworks, a Wyoming Corporation; Tom Lopez, individually, and as an agent of the Yolo County Sheriff Office; Daniel Berlant, individually, and as an agent of the Office of the State Fire Marshall; Leslie Lindbo, individually, and as an agent of the County of Yolo; Moustumi Hasan, individually, and as an agent of the County of Yolo; Scott Doolittle, individually, and as an agent of the County of Yolo; and Devastating Pyrotechnics Inc. a California Corporation; Devastating Pyrotechnics LLC, a California Limited Liability Company; Kenneth Chee, individually, as an agent of Devastating Pyrotechnics Inc., a California Corporation, and as an agent of Devastating Pyrotechnics LLC, California Limited Liability Company; Gary Chan, Jr as an agent of Devastating Pyrotechnics Inc., a California Corporation, and as an agent of Devastating

Pyrotechnics LLC, California Limited Liability Company; Blackstar Fireworks, a Wyoming Corporation, The Trustee(s) of the Machado Revocable Trust; Sams Gun Sales, an entity- form unknown; Reiko Matsumara, an individual, and as agent of the County of Yolo, DOES, 1-200. (Hereinafter, collectively referred to as "DEFENDANTS").

VI. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The claimants note that they were denied the opportunity to inspect the property immediately after the fire because law enforcement personnel had closed off the area. As a result, the claimants could not identify or categorize objects and materials on the property, including residues from various explosives or chemicals that may have been present.

Furthermore, this denial included the opportunity to photograph or document the remains on site for review by experts in hazardous materials and chemicals. As of the time this claim is being filed, the claimants have not received any investigative reports, including those from the State Fire Marshal responsible for the investigation, as well as reports from Cal OSHA, ATF, the District Attorney, or any other law enforcement agency related to the explosion.

This information is unavailable at the time of filing the claim, which compromises the claimants' ability to identify any potential violations of mandatory duties on the part of the governmental entities being sued. This includes possible negligence in the exercise of their ministerial duties. Therefore, the claimants should not be prejudiced concerning any future pleadings in this case, including any complaints filed against governmental entities based on subsequently gathered evidence of additional statutory violations that could not have been reasonably known at the time the claim was initially filed.

Claimants reserve their rights to supplement and add claims based upon such materials and/or evidence later discovery based upon the inability of claimants to gather the materials and information in a timely fashion. Given that the various governmental agencies and personnel involved in the investigations are the same as named in this governmental tort claim provides a necessary basis for any late discovered evidence as it would be in the interests of the governmental entities to prevent the claimant from accessing the information in a timely fashion. To the extent that the evidence was not

preserved by agents of parties who claimants have alleged to be liable for this incident, claimants also reserve the rights to assert that the evidence related to those claims were intentionally spoiled to deny claimants the opportunity to pursue and prove their claims.

VII. APPLICABLE STATUTUES

Yolo County Ordinances

Public Nuisance

§ 10-10.502

§ 10-5.1211

§ 10-6.205

§ 6-19.450

§ 12-04.13

§ 6-12.16

§ 6-22.305

Property Maintenance

§ 7-3.00

§ 7-3.01

§ 7-3.02

§ 7-3.03

§ 8-2.226

§ 8-2.227

Fireworks Ordinances

Chapter 2

§ 9-3.524

Article 4

§ 4-2.413

- § 4-2.409
- § 4-2.201
- § 4-2.403
- § 4-2.109
- § 4-2.502
- § 4-2.402
- § 4-2-102
- § 4-2.414
- § 4-2.504
- § 4-2.103
- § 4-2.110
- § 4-2.106
- § 4-2.412
- § 4-2.408
- § 4-2.605
- § 4-2.301
- § 4-2.401
- § 4-2.603
- § 4-2.407
- § 4-2.601
- § 4-2.411
- § 4-2.410

Regulation Ordinances

- § 8-2.703
- § 8-2.306

Agriculture Ordinances

§ 10-10.201

Chapter 6, Article 1, §§ 10-6.101-10-6.216

Intent Code

§ 1-5.01

§ 1-5.03

§ 1-5.04

Zoning Code

§ 8-2.217(e)(7)

§ 8-2.501 et seq.

Environmental Health

Title 7

Enforcement Policy

§§ 1-5.04-5.09

California Codes

California Labor Codes

§ 201

§ 226

§ 226(b)

§ 226.3

§ 226.7

§ 510

§ 512

§ 558(a)

§ 1174

§ 1182.12

§ 1194

§ 1194.2

Title 8 Code of Regulations § 11050

Industrial Welfare Commission Order No. 5-2001

California Government Codes

§ 815

§ 815.2

§ 815.4

§ 815.6

§ 822.2

§ 835

§ 840.2

§ 65905

Title 19, CCR § 1100 et seq.

§ 989 et seq.

California Fire Codes (CAL FIRE)

Cal. Fire Code, § 5601

Cal. Fire Code § 5604

Cal. Fire Code, Title 32

Chapter 56, et. Seq.

Cal. Code Regs. Title 19 § 981.1

Cal. Code Regs. Title 19 § 989.2

Cal. Code Regs. Title 19 § 990.2

Health and Safety Codes

Health and Safety Code § 17961

Health and Safety Code §§ 25500-22549.28

Health and Safety Code § 25507

Health and Safety Code § 25534(a)

Health and Safety Code § 25514

Health and Safety Code § 25514.1

Health and Safety Code § 12558 et seq.

Health and Safety Code § 12721

Health and Safety Code § 12500 et seq.

Health and Safety Code § 25501

Health and Safety Code § 12671

Health and Safety Code §§ 12500-12728

Health and Safety Code § 12510

Health and Safety Code § 12590

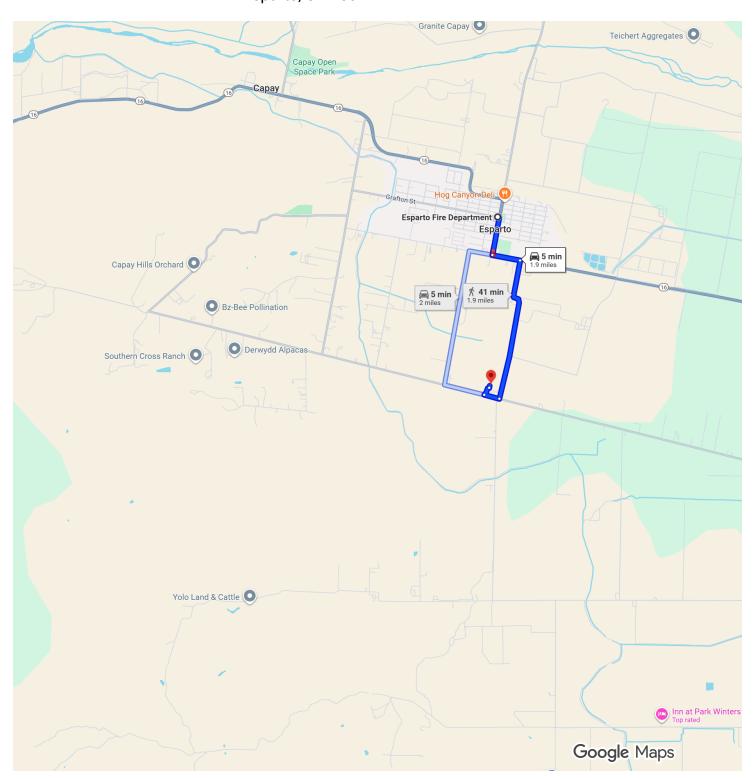
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Esparto Fire Protection District Boundary and Sphere of Influence COUNTY ROAD **Dunnigan Fire Protection District** COUNTY ROAD 63 Fork Oat Creek **Sutter Count Capay Valley Fire Protection District** COUNTY ROAD 14 **Fire Protection District** COUNTY ROAD 15B Station No. 21 Station No. 25 (Tribal) COUNTY ROAD 1 Cal Fire Station **Esparto Fire Protection District** Cache Creek Station No. 19 Station No. 17 Fork Willow Slough COUNTY ROAD 24 Fire Station Fire Protection District Boundary South Fork Cotton Sphere of Influence Parcel Lines OUNTY ROAD 26 Roads **Madison Fire Protection District** Miles Map created by Neuvert GIS Services, LLC 7/10/2015 updated 1/4/2016 version 3. Data sources: County of Yolo; Esri **Winters Fire Protection District**



Esparto Fire Department to 26450 Co Rd 23, Esparto, CA 95627



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1 OF 1 RECORD(S)

Assessment Record For YOLO County

Estimated Roll Certification Date: 07/01/2024

Owner Information

Original Name: MATSUMURA REV TRUST

Standardized Name: MATSUMURA

Ownership Rights: REVOCABLE TRUST

Original Address:: PO BOX 440

ESPARTO, CA 95627

Standardized Address: PO BOX 440

ESPARTO, CA 95627-0440

YOLO COUNTY

Property Information

Original Property Address: 18080 COUNTY ROAD 86A

ESPARTO, CA 95627

Standardized Property Address: 18080 COUNTY ROAD 86A

ESPARTO, CA 95627-2122

YOLO COUNTY

Land Use: ORCHARD (FRUIT; NUT)

County: YOLO

Data Source: B

Legal Information

Assessor's Parcel Number: 049-170-071-000

Brief Description: *PCL D COC 2019-22896

Assessment Information

Assessment Year: 2024

Assessed Land Value: \$66,222 Assessed Improvement Value: \$455,269

Total Assessed Value: \$521,491

Land Use: ORCHARD (FRUIT; NUT)

Zoning: A-P

Tax Information

Tax Rate Code: 63-017

Tax Exemption(s): AGRICULTURAL

Property Characteristics

Acres: 19.490 AC

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Overview

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FFL Overview

License Number:

9-68-113-01-6H-04179

License Name:

MACHADO, SAM

Business Name:

SAMS GUN SALES

Expires:

August 1, 2026

Address:

26450 CR 23

ESPARTO, CA 95627

Mailing Address:

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Phone:
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FFL Definition

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District:

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FIPS Code:

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Type:

01 - Dealer in Firearms Other Than destructive device (Includes Gunsmiths)

Expires:

August 1, 2026

Sequence Number:

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- A \$70 filing fee.
- A separate, non-refundable \$15 service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form or document.

Important! LLCs in California may have to pay a minimum \$800 yearly tax to the California Franchise Tax Board. For more information, go to https://www.flb.ca.gov.

LLCs may not provide "professional services," as defined by California Corporations Code sections 13401(a) and 13401.3.

Note: Before submitting the completed form, you should consult with a private attorney for advice about your specific business needs.

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Proposal for:

City of Pinole Pinole, California July 4th, 2019



July 4th 2019
Pinole, CA
Pyrotechnic Bid Summary

Display Elements / Shell Count

July 4th, 2019 "Balanced" (\$15,000)

Summary shell count and proximate product totals are listed for review. In addition, custom multi break shells and effects may be used to enhance the audience experience. The display incorporates breaking shells from the world's top manufacturers imported by Devastating Pyrotechnics of San Francisco, (including Shenma, Panda and Yung Feng) along with Japanese, Italian style aerial shells and we are proud to support those made in the US.

To ensure the customer is provided the most amazing display possible, we will Include in this bid, the choreography and wireless transmission of music if client so desires.

Shell Size /Effect / Device	Display Shell/Shot Count	Total Qty	
Body		557	
3" Shells	313		
4" Shells	144		
5" Shells	60		
6" Shells	40		
Multi Shot Bombardments		1,200	
300 Shot Multi-Color and Effect Bombardments	600		
600 Shot Multi-Color and Effect Bombardments	600		
Finale		380	
2.5" Shells (Chained Finale)	120		
3" Shells (Chained Finale)	180		
4" Shells (Chained Finale)	70		
5" Shells (Chained Finale)	10		

Total Shell Count / Run Time / Price	Shell Total
Shell Total*	2,137
Finale Shell Subtotal	380
Finale Run Time	2 min
Total Show Run Time	20 min

Total Display Price	\$15,000
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^{*}As an operating standard and value added feature, Devastating Pyro displays are loaded with additional product (above listed shell count) to exceed expectations, ensuring over 100% compliance with contract shell count.

Summary Plot Maps / Launch Site

City of Pinole WWTP, Pinole CA



Once Devastating Pyro's bid is accepted, Devastating Pyro will lay out an exact plot map of the shoot location/launch site, boundaries, etc.

Plot Map I. Safety Zone (setbacks) – 420+ feet

References / Endorsements

City of San Jose, Ca-4th of July Robert Vonderworth 408-802-8640 San Jose Council Member Johnny Khamis San Francisco Chinese New Year Pyrotechnics Beverly Lee (415) 391-8828 San Francisco-Vietnamese Tet Festival Pyrotechnics San Francisco- Mayor Ed Lee's Private Inauguration Party Redwood City July 4 Fireworks Celebration Keith Kadera (650) 255-2393 Six Flags Entertainment Corp - Director Scott Sterner 661-255-4858 Bay 101 Casino Fireworks – June Richardson (408) 437-5506 Hayfork Speedway July 4 Fireworks Celebration-Bill Foster (530) 739-8659 City of Redondo Beach Marina – Craig Stanton 310-374-3841 x-202 Lucky Bear Casino Hoopa Valley Fireworks Norvin Hostler (530) 625-5198 Western Pyrotechnic Association Public Display – Lake Havasu, AZ Redwood City Annual Hometown Holiday Christmas Fireworks Johnson Steak House- New Year Eve Fireworks Extravaganza Woodlawn Memorial Park Daytime Fireworks City of Marysville's Annual Weekend Bok Kai Festival and Parade Woodlawn Memorial Park Fireworks - Betty Su (650) 755-1727

Contact Info / Experience / Personnel

Devastating Pyro Inc.

PO BOX 782 Pinole, Ca. 94564

WEBSITE: www.DevastatingPyro.com

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Kenny Chee - 15 years' experience Product Selection. Devastating Pyrotechnics Fireworks Importer. Licensed ATF Explosives Importer & Manufacturer. Licensed Pyrotechnic Operator. Public Fireworks Displays. Western Pyrotechnics Association, NFPA

Craig Cutright – Senior Show Producer /Choreography over 15 years' experience Digital systems choreography. MLB, Santa Cruz. Western Pyrotechnics Association. Finale Fireworks/Pyro-mate/Cobra. Licensed Operator

Jack Lee- Site Storage and Product Security

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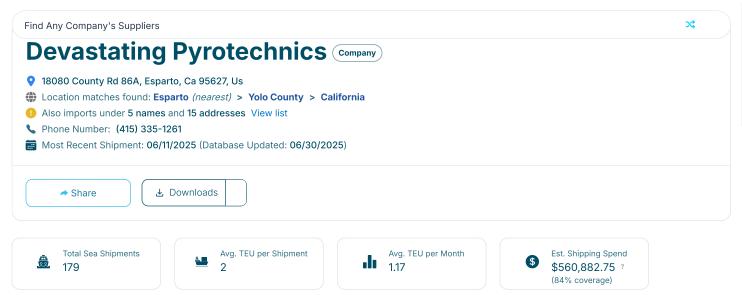
We at Devastating Pyro would like to thank you for looking at our proposal. Our passion started as a spark, and as we ignite the thrill and excitement of an amazing show, the more we want to expand. We want all of California to experience a top quality show with all of the latest product and equipment. We hope to let Pinole experience our passion!

Exhibit "7"





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Devastating Pyrotechnics's Total Sea Shipments Over Time (png) (ipeg) (svg)

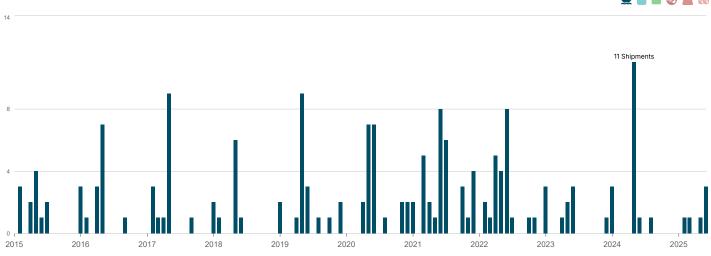
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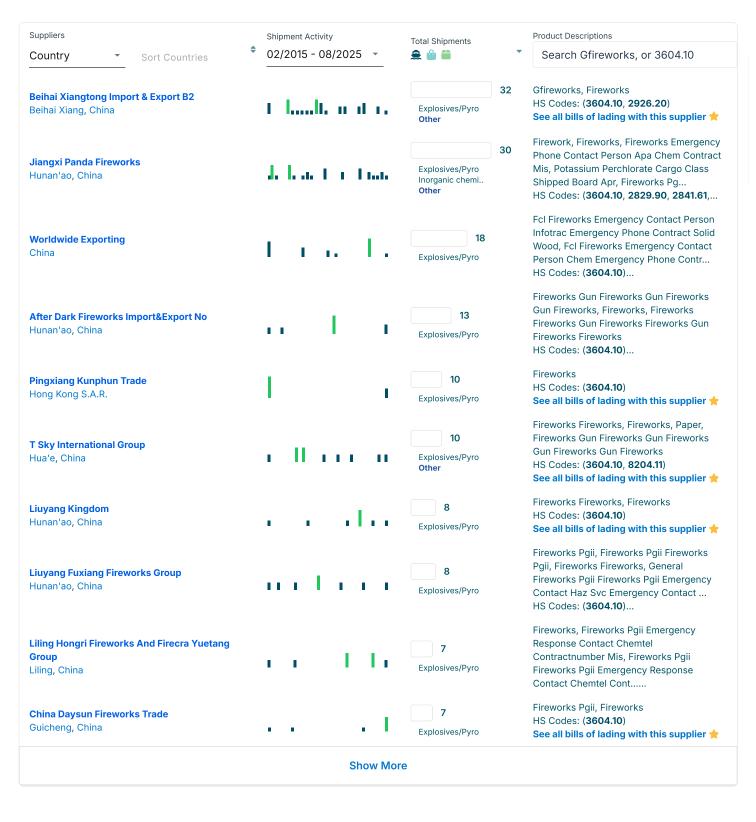
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How is this free?

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Devastating Pyrotechnics's Annual Importing Frequency (png) (jpeg) (svg)

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Asia

99.4%

Country China Hong Kong India **Shipments**150
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Europe

0.6%

Country **Shipments** Norway

Devastating Pyrotechnics's Most Recent Sea Shipments

Unlock the full shipment list in Power Query

Date	\$	Bill of Lading 🚖	\$	Suppliers Country	\$	Weight 💠	No. of Containers	Description Search for	Est. Freight Cost ? 💠
06/11/2025	5	ALONWLUS31457 (free) н COSU6418642980 м		Pingxiang Kunphun Trade Co Ltd Da'an Xiang, China		18,440 kg	1	Fireworks	Asia → US Pacific \$ 2,515
06/07/202	5	ALONWLUS30901 H SMLMSHGD5A350500 M		Pingxiang Kunphun Trade Co Ltd Da'an Xiang, China		17,801 kg	1	Fireworks	Asia → US Pacific \$ 2,521

Date	‡	Bill of Lading 🚖	\$	Suppliers	+	Weight \$	No. of Containers	Description	Est. Freight Cost ? \$
06/07/2025		ALONWLUS30902 H SMLMSHGD5A349600 M		Pingxiang Kunphun Trade Co Ltd Da'an Xiang, China		18,882 kg	1	Fireworks	Asia → US Pacific \$ 2,521
05/02/2025	i	ALONWLUS29841 H COSU6413795850 M		Beihai Xiangtong Import & Export Tr Beihai Xiang, China		19,243 kg	1	Fireworks	Asia → US Pacific \$ 2,905
03/30/2025	5	ALONWLUS27733 H COSU6409758450 M		Beihai Xiangtong Import & Export Tr Beihai Xiang, China		18,558 kg	1	Fireworks	Asia → US Pacific \$ 3,484
		ALONWLUS26320 H		Beihai Xiangtong Import		10 010			Acia - 119 Dacific

Other Addresses, Names And Contact Information Used By Devastating Pyrotechnics

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Captured Company Contact Info 2 Notify Party Contact Info Other addresses 15 Other names 5 Other websites 0

The most recent contact info is: XXXXXXX025, --- found on 14/05/2019 in the BOL MAEU581770608



Tags

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ImportYeti API

Sample Request

Use ImportYeti API to build applications or integrate with your existing infrastracture.

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Exhibit "8"





Proposal for:

City of Rio Vista

130th Anniversary Celebration
Rio Vista, California
December 30th, 2023



Pyrotechnic Bid Summary by Devastating Pyrotechnics, Inc.



October 27, 2023

Krystine Ball
City of Rio Vista
1 Main Street
Rio Vista, CA 94571

Subject: Request for proposal fireworks display

Thank you for providing Devastating Pyrotechnics with the opportunity to design a display package for the upcoming City of Rio Vista's 130th Anniversary on December 30th, 2023.

I have designed an exciting display for your consideration. The below program is our initial proposal given the selected shoot site, and the ample setbacks it provides (up to 5-inch shells). The proposed show is consistent with your spectator viewing area and shoot location. We also invite an audit of all product, equipment and crew on the day of the shoot. We guarantee you will get every item listed in our proposal.

Devastating Pyrotechnics will provide all equipment and labor, acquire all permissions and security mandated by authorities having jurisdiction, reserve all transportation required, Workman's Compensation in addition to liability insurance for your fireworks display. I have attached to this proposal a copy of our sample insurance certificate. Devastating Pyrotechnics carries a \$ 5 Million dollars per incident clause to cover the Fireworks Display along with \$1 Million dollars of workers comp liability.

We have taken into consideration the complexities of producing a display at the selected location. All product proposed was selected with your location in mind keeping safety of spectators at the forefront. The proposed display package will contain multi-shot barrage devices that fire continuous sequential effects throughout the duration of the display. This will certainly keep the sky filled for the duration of the display. The finale will leave your spectators in awe.

As the General Manager of the one of California's premier and only local/minority owned (San Francisco) firework companies I can assure you we have done our best to provide you with a quote that will deliver those special memories that your loved ones will have for years to come.

I welcome any questions you may have and I thank you for considering our company to be part of your very special Engagement celebration.

Sincerely,

Neil Li General Manager, Devastating Pyrotechnics, Inc (415)793-5332 neil@devastatingpyro.com



Experience & Qualifications

Devastating Pyrotechnics is one of the premier importers and manufacturers of display pyrotechnics in the Western US. We are also the largest importer and distributor of high-quality Chinese Celebration Firecrackers used in professional displays and parades around the US and the globe.

The corporate headquarters and main operations are based in San Francisco, CA. All product is imported directly or manufactured locally keeping costs at a minimum, allowing us to pass those savings on to our customers.

Devastating Pyrotechnics currently employs 3 full-time individuals and maintain dozens of licensed and trained pyrotechnicians. All staff and technicians working on your display will be fully trained, federally approved, Devastating Pyrotechnics employees.

All display technicians have attended Devastating Pyrotechnics' extensive training program and have met all of the rigorous safety requirements, which exceed state and federal requirements. All technicians have passed State and Federal background checks. We offer a number of different training courses with extensive classroom and hands-on training to our crews.

Apprentice Technicians always work alongside experienced technicians (mentors) to gain hands on, supervised experience.

Devastating Pyrotechnics Fireworks is proud to be the only local pyrotechnic display company in Northern California. We must prove our quality and customer satisfaction to every client, on every show, every time. Our goal is to outperform the "Big Display Companies" with every show, no matter how large or small. We are the underdog, and enjoy that position and, most importantly, have a perfect safety record.



Devastating Pyrotechnics Organizational Chart:

Kenny Chee – Owner/ CEO with 20 years' experience Product Manufacturing, Selection and Import. Devastating Pyrotechnics Fireworks is a Licensed ATF and CalFire Importer & Manufacturer of display pyrotechnics. Member of Western Pyrotechnics Association, NFA, PGI (PGI Certified Operator), NFPA Educated and Trained, and California (CalFire) Licensed Operator.

Jack Lee – Operations Manager overseeing Site Storage and Product Safety and Security. Member of Western Pyrotechnics Association, NFA, PGI (PGI Certified Operator), NFPA Educated and Trained, and California (CalFire) Licensed Operator.



Devastating Pyrotechnics Safety:

All Devastating Pyrotechnic technicians undergo annual safety training and licensing.

Devastating Pyrotechnic technicians are governed by strict safety protocols that mandate proper safety protocols be followed, including the use of required safety equipment and clothing.

Devastating Pyrotechnics selects shoot sites and product based on NFPA 1123 requirements, as well as California Title 19 requirements. These protocols reduce any risk to spectators and crew should a catastrophic incident occur.

All product is selected with safety, site location and customer requirements in mind. Product is selected to minimize fallout and reduce fire danger to spectators, property and equipment. Steps are taken to minimize any residual debris associated with the display.

Site safety and security is a top priority. No persons other than Devastating Pyrotechnics crew and the AHJ are to be permitted in the shoot site or the fallout zone.

Devastating Pyrotechnics crews, as a group, review the company emergency action plan prior to the start of every work day.

All fireworks are transported by California Licensed Haz-Mat drivers in secure, locked and placarded trucks in accordance to Federal DOT and California state regulations.

Devastating Pyrotechnics does not contract out hazmat transportation. Devastating Pyrotechnics is a DOT, CHP and California Registered Hazmat Trucking Company.



Scope & Detailed Work Plan

Operations:

Devastating Pyrotechnics will furnish a complete time line and emergency list of contacts to all parties involved.

Devastating Pyrotechnics understands the need to minimize impact on ALL adjacent facilities.

Devastating Pyrotechnics maintains a "good neighbor policy" and can help interface with the local community to prepare for the event.

Devastating Pyrotechnics will work to minimize residual debris while maximizing the visibility from all areas of the shoot site.

Scope of work and plan:

Devastating Pyrotechnics suggests using the proposed shoot site. Safe set back distance for the fallout area are consistent with Devastating Pyrotechnics use of NFPA 1123 setbacks (70+ feet per inch in diameter).

The following is a list of the product proposed by Devastating Pyrotechnics to be used in the Engagement Party display.

The largest diameter of multi-shot(cakes) product to be used will be 3" diameter. The largest aerial firework shell to be used will be 5" diameter.

See Exhibit 1 Titled "Site Plan" for more information on launching areas, safety perimeter, and fall-out zones.



Main Body

- 3 Inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Select Shells 110
- 4 Inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Premium Shells 65
- 5 inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Premium Shells 30

Total Shells 205

Grand Finale

- 2. 5 Inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Premium Finale Shells 40
- 3 Inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Premium Finale Shells 60
- 4 Inch Devastating Pyrotechnics Assorted Premium Finale Shells 15

Total Finale Shells 115

Total Display Shells 320

Single-Shot Devices

60 Shots

Total Single Shot Devices 60

Multi-Shot Devices (Bombardments)

1,397 Shots

Total Multi Device Shots 1,397

Total Single Shot, Multi Shots and Display Shells 1,777

Devastating Pyrotechnics shall include a minimum crew of 4, including lead operator:

To Be Determined - Lead Operator and California (CalFire) licensed operator.

Devastating Pyrotechnics will interface directly with the local AHJ for all necessary permits, inspections, equipment and product.

Devastating Pyrotechnics will be following established company protocols, industry guidelines (NFPA 1123) as well as state and federal guidelines for safety.



Devastating Pyrotechnics team will work with the AHJ to mitigate any fire danger. Team members are trained in the use of fire suppression technics including the use of approved and certified extinguishers, shovels, brooms and other fire suppression tools.

Devastating Pyrotechnics crew will hose down surfaces or remove debris likely to pose a fire hazard. Lead operator will maintain constant contact with all team members as well as the local AHJ.

Devastating Pyrotechnics team will utilize all excess crew members as "spotters" for the display, looking for falling or burning debris both inside and outside the launch site.

Devastating Pyrotechnics will perform a thorough walk around of the site and perimeters immediately following the shoot identifying any live product or hot spots. Once area is determined to be free of hazards the site will be rested for 15 minutes before communicating "all clear" to the local AHJ. Upon receiving an "all clear" from the lead operator and local AHJ, the crew will commence breakdown and cleanup of the shoot site.



Event Budget

Devastating Pyrotechnics will commit to the event budget of \$20,000.

Devastating Pyrotechnics is confident in our ability to exceed expectations on delivery, set up and firing for the proposed budget.

Devastating Pyrotechnics implements specific protocols when determining display budgets using a method that is repeated several hundred times a year.

Devastating Pyrotechnics maintains a year-round lease agreement with Ryder putting thousands of trucks at our disposal at a moment notice. We are also a fully licensed, bonded and insured Hazmat trucking company. We never contract out Hazmat transportation to other companies or contractors.

Devastating Pyrotechnics is one of the largest fireworks importers into the Western United Sates. We are also a fully licensed manufacturer. We run a lean operation and maintain minimal overhead allowing us to provide the most competitive pricing in the industry. We are able to assure our customer they are getting premium service with exceptional value. We ALWAYS encourage our customers to audit their shoot sites to insure they are getting everything they paid for.



Shoot Site

275 N. Front Street Rio Vista, CA 94571

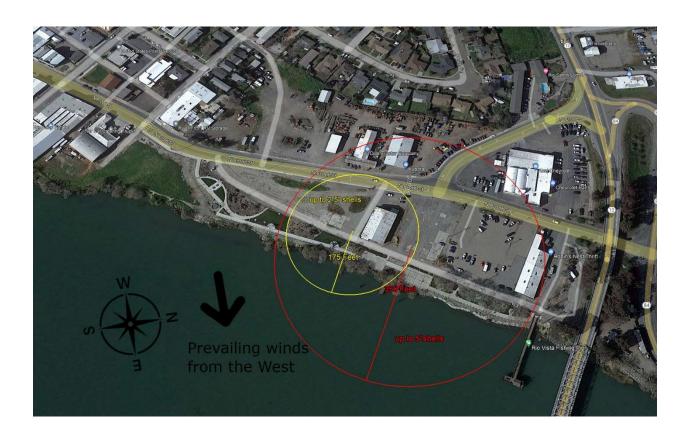
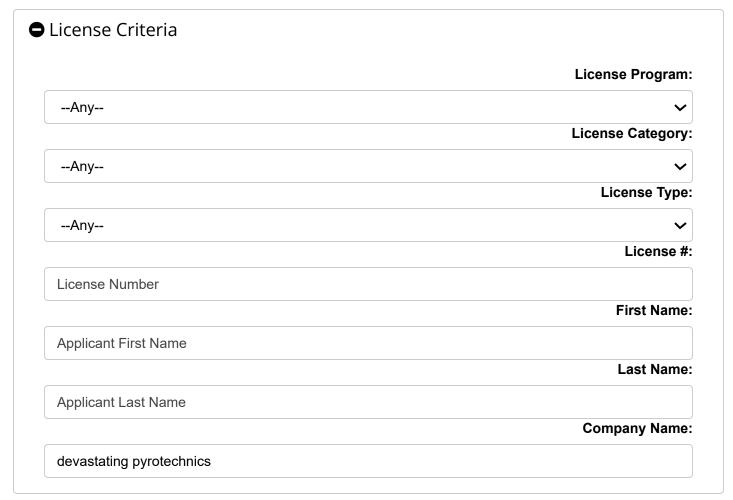


Exhibit "9"

Office of the State Fire Marshal



Submit Reset

License Type	License Number	First Name	Last Name	Company Name	Product Name	Company Mailing Address	Company Physical Address	Expiration Date
Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Importer/Exporter	I/E-1388	KENNETH	CHEE	DEVASTATING PYROTECHNICS INC	N/A	477 Second Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118	477 Second Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118	6/30/2026
Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Wholesaler	W-1428	KENNETH	CHEE	DEVASTATING PYROTECHNICS, INC	N/A	477 Second Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118	477 Second Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118	6/30/2026
Fireworks and Explosives, Fireworks License, Public Display - General	GPD- 1337	KENNETH	CHEE	DEVASTATING PYROTECHNICS INC	N/A	477 SECOND AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94118	477 SECOND AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94118	6/30/2026

Exhibit "10"

STATE OF WYOMING * SECRETARY OF STATE **BUSINESS DIVISION**

Herschler Bldg East, Ste.100 & 101, Cheyenne, WY 82002-0020 Phone: 307-777-7311 · Website: https://sos.wyo.gov · Email: business@wyo.gov

Filing Information



Please note that this form CANNOT be submitted in place of your Annual Report.

Name	BlackStar Fireworks								
Filing ID	2023-001240491								
Туре	Profit Corporation			Status	Active				
General Infor	mation								
Old Name Fictitious Name Sub Type Formed in Term of Duration	Wyoming Perpetual			Sub Status Standing - Tax Standing - RA Standing - Other Filing Date Delayed Effective Date Inactive Date	Current Good Good Good 03/20/2023 2:54 PM				
Share Information	on								
Common Shares Par Value	1,000 0.0001	Preferred Sha Par Value	ares 0.00		Additional Stock N				
Principal Addres	ss		Mailing Address						
30 N Gould St Ste Sheridan, WY 82			30 N Gould St Ste R Sheridan, WY 82801						
Registered Ager	nt Address								
Registered Agents Inc 30 N Gould St Ste R Sheridan, WY 82801									
Parties									
Туре	Name / Organization / A	ddress							
Incorporator	Craig A. Cutright 26454	County Road	23, Esparto	o CA 95627					
Notes									
Date	Recorded By	Note							

Filing Information



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Name BlackStar Fireworks

Filing ID 2023-001240491

Type Profit Corporation Status Active

Most Recent Annual Report Information

Type Original AR Year 2025

License Tax \$60.00 AR Exempt N AR ID 11923429

AR Date 7/17/2025 11:15 AM

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Officers / Directors

Type Name / Organization / Address

President / Director Craig Cutright 30 N Gould St Ste R, Sheridan, WY 82801 USA

Principal Address Mailing Address

30 N Gould St Ste R
Sheridan, WY 82801
30 N Gould St Ste R
Sheridan, WY 82801
Sheridan, WY 82801

Annual Report History

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 Status
 Date
 Year
 Tax

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 Original
 03/20/2024
 2024
 \$60.00

 11923429
 Original
 07/17/2025
 2025
 \$60.00

Amendment History

ID Description Date

2025-005928449 Reinstatement - Tax 07/17/2025

Filing Status Changed From: Inactive - Administratively Dissolved (Tax) To: Active

2025-005783368 Dissolution / Revocation - Tax 05/09/2025

Filing Status Changed From: Active To: Inactive - Administratively Dissolved (Tax)

Inactive Date Changed From: No Value To: 05/09/2025

2025-005634310 Delinquency Notice - Tax 03/02/2025

2024-005003789 RA Information Change 06/10/2024

2024-004636802 Delinquency Notice - Tax 03/02/2024

2023-004095243 Address Update 03/30/2023

Principal Address 1 Changed From: 30 N Gould St Ste 28633 To: 30 N Gould St Ste R

See Filing ID Initial Filing 03/20/2023

Exhibit "11"

YOLO COUNTY ZONING CODE Title 8 LAND DEVELOPMENT

CHAPTER 2: ZONING REGULATIONS

Article 3: Agricultural Zones

Sec. 8-2.301 Purpose

The purpose of the Agricultural Zones shall be to provide for land uses that support and enhance agriculture as the predominant land use in the unincorporated area of the County. Such uses shall be compatible with agriculture, and may include uses that support open space, natural resource management, outdoor recreation, and enjoyment of scenic beauty.

Sec. 8-2.302 Agricultural Zones

Agricultural land is separated into five zoning districts, with specific Use Types, minimum lot area, and other requirements, as described below.

(a) Agricultural Intensive (A-N) Zone

The Agricultural Intensive (A-N) Zone is applied to preserve lands best suited for intensive agricultural uses typically dependent on higher quality soils, water availability, and relatively flat topography. The purpose of the zone is to promote those uses, while preventing the encroachment of nonagricultural uses. Uses in the A-N Zone are primarily limited to intensive agricultural production and other activities compatible with agricultural uses. This includes allowing agriculturally-related support uses, excluding incompatible uses, and protecting the viability of the family farm. Minimum lot size for newly created parcels⁽¹⁾ in the A-N Zone is 40 acres for irrigated parcels primarily planted in permanent crops, such as orchards or vineyards; 80 acres for irrigated parcels that are cultivated; 160 acres for parcels that are generally uncultivated and/or not irrigated.

(b) Agricultural Extensive (A-X) Zone

The Agricultural Extensive (A-X) Zone is applied to protect and preserve lands that are typically less dependent on high soil quality and available water for irrigation. Such lands require considerably larger parcel sizes to allow extensive agricultural activities such as livestock and ranching operations, and dry land farming. These lands may also be used for open space functions that are often connected with foothill and wetlands locations, such as grazing and pasture land, and wildlife habitat and recreational areas. Minimum lot size for newly created parcels in the A-X Zone is 160 acres for dry land farming and 320 acres for rangeland.

⁽¹⁾ Minimum parcel size requirements apply to the creation of new parcels, and do not affect the status of any previously existing legal parcel regardless of acreage.

Exhibit "12"

Form # CH - 021

COUNTY OF YOLO



Department of Community Services

Building Inspection Division
292 W. Beamer Street Woodland, CA 95695 (530) 666-8775 Fax (530) 666-8156
www.yolocounty.org

Permit Exempt Agricultural Building Application					
Application Date: Project Address: 26	Assessor's Parcel Numbe	r: 049-170-030 Fire District: City: Esparto Zip: 95627			
APPLICANT N	lame: Matt Soderer	Phone: Cell: Same			
Address: Conne	ecticut Drive City: Red	wood City State: CA Zip: 94061			
Email: matts@heata	andcontrol.com	***			
OWNER		DESIGN PROFESSIONAL			
Name: Sam Mach	ado	Company Name: A&A Engineering			
Address: 26450 Cou	inty Road 23	Name: CA Reg. # <u>C73389</u>			
City: Espardo 2ip: 95627	State: CA	Address: 5911 Renaissance Place, Suite B			
Zip: 95627	Phone:	City: Toledo State: OH			
	JNS@GMAIL.COM	Zip: 43623 Phone: (419) 292-0955			
CONTRACTOR	Name: Diego Cabrera Phor	License#: 0000003528			
Company Name:	FC Steel Structures	Email: Diego@fcsteel.com			
Address: 200	Olive StreetCity:	Maxwell State: CA Zip: 95955			
PROJECT INFO	Metal Agricultural Building C	Construction Valuation: \$ \$176,000			
Permit For: Ag exempt: 4,500 sq. ft. Type of materials: Metal structure, siding, roof					
Description of work and use of building: Agricultural equipment storage					
Are you adding a driveway or access that is connecting to a county road or right of way? (yes/ no) No Area to be disturbed by grading? Less than an acre or More than an acre – requires a State Permit No Will any soil be imported or exported from the site? (yes/ no) No					
The following must be completed in order to submit / review: Permit Exempt Agricultural Building Application, Owners Agreement to Limit Agricultural Operations form signed by the owner, site plan, Environmental Health Land Use Survey, and the Construction and Demolition Debris Diversion Plan (or a letter from Manufacturer, indicating there will not be waste generated). Note: Upon submitting and paying fees, a Fire District form will be provided and will require sign off from the					
designated Fire District.					
Applicant Signature: Date: 11/27/2021					
OFFICE USE:					
Flood Zone: Panel Number: Conditions:					
Flood Zone:	Panel Number:				
Planning Approval	Zoning: General P	lan: Zoning Conformity: yes / no			
	Zoning: General P				



YOLO COUNTY

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Owners Agreement to Limit Agricultural Operations

- 1. I/We/My Company (hereafter, I) SAM Macuae am the applicant for a building permit exemption. By my act of submitting this application, I understand and agree that if approved, the proposed structure, can and will only be used as an Agricultural Building, and only in conformance with Yolo County Code Section 7-1.03. Any violation of the conditions under which a permit exemption has been granted shall void the exemption. I hereby acknowledge receipt of Yolo County Code Section 7-1.03.
- 2. I further agree that if a building permit exemption is granted, I agree to build or cause to be built in accordance with the standards of Title 7 of the Yolo County Code, which concern building regulations, and all applicable laws of Yolo County, the State of California, and any federal laws that may apply.
- I understand that if 90 days after receipt of a written notice from the Yolo County Planning Commission issued after notice to me and an opportunity for hearing, that I have not cured a violation of the exemption, I must remove the building, or I must start a full fee building permit application, plan check, site review and inspection process conducted by the Yolo County Department of Planning and Public Works, or Yolo County may sue to cure the public nuisance.
- 4. I further understand and agree that, if it is necessary to enforce this Agreement by a lawsuit, then the County shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs reasonably incurred.
- I also understand and hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action, or proceeding against the County or its agents, officers, or employees, arising from performance or nonperformance of my obligations under this agreement.
- 6. The terms of this agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties and their heirs, legal representatives, transferees, and assigns.

I declare under penalty of perjury according to the laws of the State of California, that I understand all of the foregoing requirements, and that all information provided by me is true and correct.

APN: 049-170-030	h	11/27/2021
	Signature (Owner)	/ Date

1 Agricultural Building is a structure designed and constructed to house farm implements, hey, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated, or packaged, nor shall it be a place used by the public

Thank you for reaching out. You are certainly welcome to visit our public counter during the week anytime between 8:00 AM until noon. Appointments are required anytime between 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM. Masks are currently required.

Since your project would only require a building permit and not a Planning entitlement or permit, our Permit Techs will be able to assist you at the counter. They will also call up an available Planner to assist with setbacks, etc.

The property in question is zoned for agricultural uses, and accessory buildings that serve the agricultural use of the property (such as the almond orchard) are allowed by-right with a building permit. Setbacks in the A-N Zone require 30 feet in the front (from CR 23), 20 feet on the sides (including from CR 86A), and 25 feet in the rear. It looks like the building envelope for the property is in the southeast corner and accessed off CR 23, correct? So, I'm assuming the building will be placed somewhere within the existing building envelope. If the building needs to be within a setback, a Planner can assist you at the counter.

You can access a building permit application here:

https://www.yolocounty.org/government/general-government-departments/community-services/building-inspection-services/online-forms

Please let me know when you expect to visit our public counter and I will let a Planner know. Thanks!

Stephanie

Stephanie Cormier
Principal Planner
Yolo County Department of Community Services
292 W. Beamer Street
Woodland, CA 95695
(530) 666-8041
www.yolocounty.org

From: Matt Soderer [mailto:MattS@HeatandControl.com]

Sent: Friday, August 6, 2021 1:36 PM

To: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie.Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Subject: Metal Building Project (Esparto)

Good Afternoon Stephanie

I live in the bay area and have been hired to project manage constructing a metal building for and almond orchard property owner just outside of Esparto

Building Site Address – 26450 County Rd 23, Esparto CA 95627

Property Parcel - 049-170-030

Having not dealt with your planning office previously, I was planning to personally visit your office next week just to discuss briefly my project and note the order sequence of what you'll need from me in order to permit the project and meet your expectations and the expectations of my property owner. Figuring it's worth the trip to get things

Table 8-2.304(d) Allowed Land Uses and Permit Requirements for Agricultural Industrial, Resource Extraction, and Utilities

A = Allowed use, subject to zoning clearance*	Land Use Permit Required by Zone				Specific Use		
SP = Site Plan Review UP(m) = Minor Use Permit required UP(M) = Major Use Permit required N = Use Not Allowed	A-N	A-X	A-C	A-I	A-R	Requirements o Performance Standards	
GRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL, RESOURCE	EXTRACT	ION, AND	UTILITI	ES USES	S		
Industrial Uses							
Alcohol and biomass fuel production	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N		
Agricultural chemical, fertilizer sales, storage	UP(m)	UP(m)	UP(M)	SP	N		
Agricultural support services, small	SP	SP	UP(m)	Α	N	See definition	
Agricultural support services, large	UP(m)	UP(m)	Ň	Α	N	See definition	
Agricultural and seed research facilities	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N	See Sec, 8-2.306(q)	
Large industrial canneries	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N		
Regional processing facilities	SP/UP(m)	SP/UP(m)	N	SP	N	See Sec. 8-2,306(r)	
Cannabis distribution, manufacturing,	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	See Article 14	
processing, testing/lab ⁽¹⁾							
Very large wine, brewery, and olive oil	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N		
processing facilities (over 100,000 sq ft)		` `		LID/ma)	N		
Commercial composting, green waste facility	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	UP(m)			
Construction yards	N	N	N	N	N		
Crop dusting facility	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N		
Airports and heliports, private	UP(m)	UP(m)	UP(M)	SP	N		
Airports and heliports, public	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	UP(m)	N		
Explosives handling	N	N	N	UP(m)	N		
Sewage treatment plants and disposal areas	N	N	N	UP(m)	N		
Slaughterhouses	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	UP(m)	N		
Resource Extraction							
Oil and gas well drilling operations	SP	SP	N	SP	N	See Sec. 8-2,306(s)	
Surface mining	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	SP	N	See Sec. 8-2,306(t) and Title 10	
Utilities							
Electrical distribution, transmission substations; communication equipment buildings; public utility service yards	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	SP	N	See Secs.8-2,1009 and 1106 (Major Use Permit required for facilities over 200kV)	
Small solar energy system, onsite use only	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α		
Small wind energy system for onsite use	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP		
Medium-sized solar facility, where less than 2.5 acres of habitat/farmland are disturbed	SP	SP	N	SP	N	See Sec.8-2.306(u)	
Medium-sized solar facility, 2.5 acres or more of habitat/farmland disturbed	UP(m)	UP(m)	N	UP(m)	N	233 233 2.333(d)	
Large and very large solar and wind energy facilities	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	UP(M)	N		
Co-generation facilities	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	See Sec. 8-2.306(v)	
Wireless communication facilities	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	UP(M)	N	See Sec. 8-2.306(w)	
Vehicle charging station	A	Α	A	A	N	See definition in Sec. 8-14.102	

Exhibit "13"

 From:
 Scott Doolittle

 To:
 Matt Soderer

 Cc:
 Stephanie Cormier

Subject: RE: Metal Building Project (Esparto)

Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021 2:29:00 PM

Thank you, Matt. I am fairly booked tomorrow, but if you want to schedule something for next week I can probably make that work on Mon, Thurs, or Fri

Looking at the concept you sent, there are a few approaches we categories this can fit into based on the needs for the building.

- Goup U Agricultural Buildings: A structure designed and constructed to house farm
 implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure <u>shall</u>
 not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment where agricultural products are
 processed, treated or packaged, nor shall it be a place used by the public.
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Thank you,

Scott Doolittle, P.E.

Interim Chief Building Official

530-666-8609

From: Matt Soderer < MattS@HeatandControl.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 10:39 AM

To: Scott Doolittle <Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>

Cc: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie. Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Subject: RE: Metal Building Project (Esparto)

Hi Scott

Primary purpose of this building will be to dry and prep almonds for shipment. This farmland was converted to an almond orchard about 4 or 5 years ago and they're for the first time seeing full harvest. Currently they've set up to dry the almonds outside to get through this harvest. Secondly they have a couple of tired metal buildings on the property where they store their farming equipment. These building are reaching the end of their life showing lot's of rust, leaks etc. They plan to move their farming equipment and store it in the new building or under the overhand at least when it becomes available. The property owner has alluded to removing the old buildings to expand orchard acreage once he has the space in the new building. I've attached an aerial layout of what the owner would like to have and where on the property. He's also waiting to hear project cost and may reduce the building size to 15K or even 10K sq ft. if the cost is more than expected.

I'm currently waiting to get cost estimates from Cranston Steel Structures comparing a 10K, 15K and 20K square foot steel building installation. I plan to complete the application for a Permit Exempt Agricultural Building shortly when we get the cost estimates from Cranston Steel Structures which we expect to receive sometime this week. Based on cost of the three options, the property owner will then be determining building size.

At this point waiting for additional cost data, I would ask for your thoughts on my applying for permit exempt agricultural building permit and advise if I'm not seeing some critical criteria required.

Sincerely

Matt Soderer

From: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie.Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 2:32 PM

To: Scott Doolittle < Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>; Matt Soderer < MattS@HeatandControl.com>

Subject: RE: Metal Building Project (Esparto)

Thank you, Scott!

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Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 2:29 PM

To: Matt Soderer < MattS@HeatandControl.com>

Cc: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie.Cormier@volocounty.org >

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From: To: Scott Doolittle Matt Soderer

Cc:

Stephanie Cormier

Subject: Date: RE: Metal Building Project (Esparto) Tuesday, August 31, 2021 8:08:00 AM

Hello Matt,

How will the nuts be dried? I assume there will be bins with warmed air circulated to facilitate drying. That is processing. Such a use over 12,000 square feet requires sprinklers by the CA Building Code.

An example of ag exempt would be more like a storage building storing almonds harvested from the same site before shipping to a location to be dried. Or storage of the equipment used for harvesting. Typically when a 20,000 square foot building is constructed for drying nuts, it is a fairly large operation with quite a few employees. I'm having a hard time imagining a farmer running that processing operation without employees.

Sincerely,

Scott Doolittle, P.E.

Chief Building Official

530-666-8609

From: Matt Soderer < MattS@HeatandControl.com>

Sent: Monday, August 30, 2021 3:32 PM

To: Scott Doolittle <Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>

Cc: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie. Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Subject: RE: Metal Building Project (Esparto)

Good Afternoon Scott

Thanks so much for the detailed information you provided below.

After visiting your plan check desk Friday 8/21 I gained an understanding of what my client might be required to submit in order to construct a metal storage building on their property. Verifying at your plan desk, the property is clear of any 100 yr. flood zone making it qualified to be considered a permit exempt agricultural building. After I reviewed the criteria to apply for exempt status, it would be in the best interest of my client to apply and proceed with the building we plan to build under a permit exempt agricultural status.

We're currently working with Cranston Steel Structure in Woodland to get this project off the ground. Due to conditions from Covid, supply chain for steel building prefab materials is stressed and we're looking at a long lead time to get material delivered and the project under construction. We would like to get the building ordered to be manufactured and do the best we can to drive the project to completion meeting my clients expectations. After speaking with the property owner these are the facts regarding the use of the building he wants me to oversee constructed.

- 1. No human habitation
- 2. No public access
- 3. Used for storing farm equipment
- 4. Used for drying almonds (short period 2 months annually)
- 5. No one working as a paid worker inside the building for any length of time.
- 6. There will be no processing, packaging, maintenance facilities work being performed in this building.

Exhibit "14"

From: To: Scott Doolittle
Stephanie Cormier
RE: Firework Storage

Subject: Date:

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 9:54:00 AM

Since the exception is not in our code, I would see it more as a policy that applies to ag or similar purposes and not applicable to hazardous materials. Fireworks specifically require a permit under the Fire Code. We enforce the WUI building requirements that would apply due to it being a moderate SRA, but those requirements will be easily met by the high-hazard requirements intended to prevent accidental ignition of the fireworks.

This is an H-1 High Hazard Occupancy and has some very specific regulations. Depending on the quantities, they can have fairly large setback requirements. It will require some careful plan review, but it sounds like they are prepared to take the necessary precautions. The building permit application will have to be accompanied by a report meeting these requirements: https://up.codes/viewer/california/ibc-2018/chapter/4/special-detailed-requirements-based-on-occupancy-and-use#414.1.3

Scott Doolittle, P.E.

Chief Building Official

530-666-8609

From: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie. Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Sent: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 9:40 AM

To: Scott Doolittle <Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>

Subject: FW: Firework Storage

Hi Scott,

I've been working with Craig Cutwright who is seeking a place to store fireworks under the provisions of the ATF and Esparto Fire District. Apparently he has been working with Curtis, Fire Chief, in the past and is now seeking a more permanent location for storage. He is interested in APNs: 049-200-020 and -021, which are in a moderate fire hazard SRA. He would first build his home, then bring in connex boxes which are spaced out according to ATF regs, etc. I am considering a Rural Home Occupation/Business License and would require a Minor Site Plan Review.

However, before I respond I wanted to get your take on the SRA issue – would Cal Fire have to weigh in, even though Curtis (allegedly) gave his blessing? Do you see any red flags? I believe we've landed on not requiring permits for connex boxes that are used solely for storage, but not sure about the fireworks issue.

Thanks!
Stephanie

From: Craig A. Cutright [mailto:cutright@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 8:05 AM

From: To: <u>Craig A. Cutright</u> <u>Stephanie Cormier</u> Re: Firework Storage

Subject: Date:

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 8:05:21 AM

Hi Stephanie,

My plan is to permanently relocate to Yolo County. I have been looking for property to purchase for this purpose since November of 2020. Yes, I would build immediately on the property and would be a full time resident. ATF requires us to monitor product regularly, so it requires my presence before I would move anything on-site. I submitted the same site I provided to you to the Esparto Fire to get their feedback. Curtis Lawrence, who is the current Fire Chief, has no issues with the presence of product at that location, and feels it is totally defensible in a wildfire situation.

Thanks

Craig

On Friday, August 27, 2021, 02:19:00 PM PDT, Stephanie Cormier <stephanie.cormier@yolocounty.org> wrote:

Hi Craig,

A couple of questions! What kind of oversight does the Esparto Fire District have, i.e., requirements/restrictions?

Would you build the home first before bringing in the connex boxes?

Thanks,

Stephanie

From: Craig A. Cutright [mailto:cutright@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, August 27, 2021 12:16 PM

To: Stephanie Cormier < Stephanie.Cormier@yolocounty.org>

Subject: Firework Storage

Hi Stephanie,

Thanks for taking the time to speak with me yesterday. I have attached a basic overview of my intended use for the storage of fireworks for my business. This map is from 2 parcels that I have been looking at as a potential purchase. It's 40 acres, combined, at the end of County Rd 23. The small blocks represent

the connex containers I use to store fireworks. They are all 8'x40' and I usually paint a light tan or green, depending on the surrounding foliage. I would build a home on site, likely no more than 1200-1600 sq ft, and would build a workshop adjacent, likely 10K sq ft or less. I would like to plant a vineyard on the 9 acre lot that is highlighted. My wine making would be hobby only and would not be an additional business on the property. The remaining acreage would be open land and I would maintain the existing grazing lease that is currently in place.

Let me know if you think a Ag Occ would work for this.	
Thanks	
Best regards	
Craig	

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Exhibit "15"

PERMIT BUILDING INSPECTION DIVISION

COU	NIT OF TOLO			
PROJECT INFORMATION PROJECT LOCATION (Site Address) PARCEL NUMBER 049	9170030	ISSUED DATE	UMBER BP2	2021-1028 EXPIRATION DATE
26450-54 CR 23		01/25/2022	EC	
ESPARTO CA 95627 FLOODZONE X		OCCUPANCY:		
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PROPERTY OWNER (Name) MACHADO TAMMY PHONE N	V/352 2- =	. Ag thom	pr for ag equipmer	nt storage
ADDRESS P O BOX 440	_ 10		CONTRACTO	R
CITY STATE ESPARTO CA	ZIP 95627	NAME FC Steel Structures	PHO	NE NUMBER (i) 755-1494
ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER LIC. NO. PHONE NU	IMBER	CSLB NO	CLASS	EXPIRES
APPLICANT (Name) Matt Soderer		PHONE NUMBER		
ADDRESS	OF		125,000	
Connecticut Drive	CITY Redwood	City	STATE	ZIP
	Redwood	City	CA	94061
TOTAL VALUATION \$176,000.00 TO	TAL FEES		\$97	4.62
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CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE:	DATE: 01/25/20	022		
WORKERS' COM	IPENSATION DECL	APATION		
Agent Prione No. I certify that, in the performance of the work for which this permit is issued, I s laws of California, and agree that, if I should become subject to the workers' compe	Policy NoName of Agent:			
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	125/2022 LDER DECLAR	ATION		
I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that I am exempt from the Contractors' Sta applicable item(s) Section 7031.5, Business and Professions Code: Any city or county that requires a permit to construct, alter, improve, demolish, or restatement that he or she is licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Contractors' S Professions Code) or that he or she is exempt from licensure and the basis for the applicant to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).): () I, as owner of the property, or my employees with wages as their sole compensasale (Section 7044, Business and Professions Code: The Contractors' State Licensor improves the property, provided that the improvements are not intended or offere Owner-Builder will have the burden of proving that it was not built or improved for the	the License Law for the spair any structure, prior tate License Law (Charalleged exemption. Any ation, will do (_) all of or e Law does not apply to do for sale. If, however, se purpose of sale.).	reason(s) indicated below by r to its issuance, also require; pter 9 (commencing with Sec violation of Section 7031.5 b r (_) portions of the work, and o an owner of property who, t the building or improvement	s the applicant for to tion 7000) of Divisi by any applicant for if the structure is no through employees' is sold within one y	the permit to file a signed on 3 of the Business and a permit subjects the it intended or offered for or personal effort, builds ear of completion, the
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By my signature below I acknowledge that, except for my personal residence in whithis permit, I cannot legally sell a structure that I have built as an owner-builder if it happlicable law, Section 7044 of the Business and Professions Code, is available upo				
Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Agent	Date:	01/25/2022		
DECLARATION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION LENDING AGENCY I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that there is a construction lending agency for the performance of the work for which this permit is issued (Section 8172, Civil Code). Lender's Name Branch Designation Lender's Address By my signature below, I certify to each of the following: I am the property owner or authorized to act on the property owner's behalf. I have read this application and the information I have provided is correct. I agree to comply with all applicable city and county ordinances and state laws relating to building construction. I authorize representatives of this city or county to enter the	State Laws relating representatives of inspection purpose the County and of the Board of Supellam the owner or permits and/or co	er perjury, I have read this rect. I agree to comply wing to building construction of this County to enter uposes. I agree to pay all appromply with all conditions dervisors, Planning Commit have full knowledge and instruct improvements at fundament of work has not contact.	th all City and Cit, and hereby author the above-mer ropriate fees and of approval of the ission and/or the consent of the other stated iob ad	ounty Ordinances and thorize ntioned property for d charges required by e project imposed by County staff and that owner to obtain dress. Permits expire
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Signature of applicant/agent

Date: 01/25/2022

Signature of Property Owner or Authorized Agent Date: 01/25/2022

Exhibit "16"

 From:
 Lia Kollen

 To:
 Matt Soderer

 Cc:
 pigsguns@gmail.com

Subject: YCEH approval of BP2021-1028 issuance (26450-54 CR 23, Esparto FA11286/SR20810)

Date: Monday, January 3, 2022 12:09:00 PM
Attachments: 90-031 Irrigation well installation permit.pdf

Good afternoon,

Yolo County Environmental Health (YCEH) Division has received the following information for building permit BP2021-1028. The building permit is for a proposed 4,500 sq ft ag-exempt structure for agricultural storage at 26450-54 CR 23, Esparto (APN 049-170-030). It is our understanding that as an ag-exempt structure, the proposed building will not have any restroom facilities nor potable water (e.g. handwashing sinks, kitchen sinks).

 A photograph of a wood cover for the septic tank verifying the tank location shown in the building permit site plan.

With this information, YCEH approves of BP2021-1028 issuance. However, we would like to note that if the wood cover is the tank lid, it is considered unsafe and should be replaced with a secure lid (e.g. concrete or steel fitted to the septic tank). We would recommend seeking assistance from a licensed septic contractor for installing a secure septic tank lid.

As part of the parcel and record review, an irrigation well installation permit was found to be on file for this parcel. A copy is attached for reference.

<u>Please be aware that this YCEH approval does not necessarily mean that the building permit is ready for issuance, as there could be additional departmental or divisional reviews required.</u>
<u>Contact the Building Division for permit status.</u>

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Lia Kollen

Environmental Health Specialist III Yolo County Environmental Health Division 292 West Beamer Street Woodland, CA 95695

Mainline: 530-666-8646

Fax: 530-669-1448

Email: lia.kollen@volocounty.org

Main office email: ehealth@yolocounty.org

Our public counter hours are 8am-12pm Monday through Friday. You may see EH staff by appointment only 1-4pm Monday through Friday.

Exhibit "17"



COUNTY OF YOLO COUNTY

Department of Community Services *Environmental Health Division*

292 W. Beamer Street, Woodland CA 95695 Phone: (530) 666-8646 Fax: (530) 669-1448

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH LAND USE REVIEW SURVEY

A building or business license application may require a review from Yolo County Environmental Health (YCEH) to ensure the compliance with County, State and Federal laws and regulations. Please complete this survey and answer questions pertaining to each YCEH unit and submit it as part of your complete application.

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City: Esparto	Zip code: 95627			
If yes, name of business:	J.P. Farms			
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Email: PIGSGUNS@	GMAIL.COM			
City: Esparto	Zip code: 95627			
orage building structur	e installed on a concrete			
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ng water source? 🛛 Yes 🗓 N	No.			
r treatment system (i.e. septic	: system)? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
3. Will your building or facility generate waste tires onsite? Yes No				
4. Will your building or facility haul 10 or more waste tires at one time? Yes No Replication of the state of the stat				
 Will your building or facility conduct solid waste related operations including chipping, grinding and composting? ☐ Yes ☐ No 				
6. Are there unused septic tanks and/or wells on this site? ☐ Yes ☐ No				
serve, vend, or otherwise pro	ovide food for human consumption at			
the retail level? 🗌 Yes 🗹 No ("Retail" means the storing, preparing, serving, manufacturing, packaging, transporting, salvaging, or otherwise				
handling food (any edible substance incl. beverage and ice) for dispensing or sale directly to the consumer or indirectly through a delivery service.)				
2. Will your building or facility have a public pool/spa? (A public pool/spa includes but is not limited to pools/spas located a hotels, motels, apartments, schools, health clubs etc.) ☐ Yes ☑ No				
3. Will your building or facility be used for tattooing, body piercing or permanent cosmetics? ☐ Yes ☑ No				
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erials waste (i.e. used oil)?	Type II No			
	City: Esparto If yes, name of business: Comparity: PIGSGUNS@ City: Esparto Prage building structure Treatment system (i.e. septions at one time? Yes Noved operations including chipped the? Yes Noved			

** Please turn over to complete and sign form **

If you answered "yes" to Hazardous Materials questions #1 through #3, please complete questions 1-10 below. Otherwise, you can skip the following questions:

1.	Will your commercial facility handle any hazardous materials in quantities greater than 500 pounds, 55 gallons or 200 cubic feet of compressed gas? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
2.	Will your commercial facility repair or maintain motor vehicles or motorized equipment? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your facility handle any of the following?					
	Motor oil Antifreeze	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ No	Gasoline Hydraulic Oil	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ No	Grease Diesel	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ No
4.	Will your comm	nercial facility have an ab	oove ground storage tank	(AST?) Yes No		
5.	Will your commercial facility sell motor vehicle fuel? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your commercial facility have an underground storage tank (UST?) ☐ Yes ☐ No					
6.	. Will your commercial facility engage in welding operations? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your commercial facility handle more than one cylinder of acetylene, oxygen, shielding or other welding gases? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
6.	. Will your commercial facility operate forklifts? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your facility store more than one extra cylinder of propane? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
7.	Will your commercial facility store batteries with 55 gallons or more of acid? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
8.	. Will your commercial facility engage in photography? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your commercial facility generate photographic waste fluid? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
9.	. Will your commercial facility engage in x-ray processing? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, will your commercial facility generate x-ray processing waste fluid? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
10.	wood waste?	∏Yes ∏No	untreated wood wastes, a way which would allow			
	If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions under hazardous materials unit, you may be required by State law to submit a Hazardous Materials Business Plan to YCEH. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in fines of up to \$2,000.00 per day. As of January 1, 2013, business plans must be filed by going to the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) website (http://cers.calepa.ca.gov), creating an account, entering required hazardous materials information, and submitting the information for approval by YCEH. For assistance with CERS submittal, please call our office at (530) 666-8646 and ask to speak with a hazmat specialist.					
l h	ereby certify	that the information	in this document is t	rue and correct to the	e best of n	ıy knowledge.
	Signature:	Matthew Sode	rer	Date:	8/26/202	2
	Print Name:	Matt Soderer		Title:	Project I	Manager

Exhibit "18"



COUNTY OF YOLO

Form # GH - 002

Department of Community Services Building Inspection Division 292 W. Beamer Street Woodland, CA 95695

(530) 666-8775, fax (530) 666-8156 <u>www.yolocounty.org</u>

Building Permit Application					
Application Date: 5/5/2022 Assessor's Parcel Number: 049-170-030 Fire District: Esparto Project Address: 26454 County Road 23 City: Esparto Zip: 95627					
	Name: Matt Soderer	Phone: Cell: Cell:			
Address:		City State: CA Zip: 94061			
Email: matts@hea	atandcontrol.com Main Contac	t: Applicant Owner/Tenant Contractor Arch/Eng.			
OWNER	Representative (Owner's written approval required)	PROFESSIONAL			
Name: Sam Mach	ado	Company Name: None			
Address: 26454 0	County Road 23	Name: CA Reg. #			
City: Esparto	State: CA	Address:			
Zip: 95627	Phone:	City: State:			
Email: PIGSGUN		Zip: Phone:			
		Email:			
CONTRACTO	R Name: Kevin Foster Phone	License#: 936857			
Company Name	Kevin Foster Construction	Email: kfosterconstruction@yahoo.com			
Address:	City:	State: Zip:			
Yolo County Bu	siness License #				
PROJECT INFO	O Type: Residential Commercial/ Industrial	Remodel/Addition			
Permit For: □ Building □ Electrical □ Plumbing □ Mechanical □ Re-roof □ PV/ Solar □ Water Heater □ Patio Cover/ Deck □ Swimming Pool/Spa □ MH/ Commercial Coach □ Ag Building □ Co-location □ Other					
Description of V	Vork: Electrician to Install electrical panel to recieve s	service and new meter from PG&E. Install into metal building			
panel one circuit of	110V electrical outlets (8) and one circuit for LED overh	ead lights (5).			
Proposed Use: A	gricultural equipment storage Ex	xisting Use: Agricultural equipment storage			
_	aluation Cost (labor and material): \$5,82				
Occupancy Group(s): None Square Footage: 4,500 Sq Ft Type of Construction: Metal Building					
Area to be disturbed by grading: Less than an acre / Or more than an acre (requires a State Permit)					
Will any soil be imported Or exported from the site □ Yes □ No					
Applicant Signa	ture:	Date: <u>5/6/22</u>			
OFFICE USE:					
Planning		Zoning Conformity: yes / no			
	Zono File	Inclusionary Housing Fees, ves / no			
Approval Zone File: Inclusionary Housing Fees: yes / no Minimum Setbacks: FY SY RY Conditions: yes / no					
Water Efficient Landscape Ord.: yes / no Notes:					
F) 10	Planner Signature:	Date:			
	Panel Number: Soils:	Fire Severity:			

Exhibit "19"

From: Matt Soderer

To: Scott Doolittle; Stephanie Cormier

Subject: Builiding Permit BP2021-1028 AG Exempt Structure

Date: Monday, June 6, 2022 11:40:15 AM

Attachments: NOC.pdf

Electrical Serving Ag Exempt Structures.pdf

Hello Scott and Stephanie

My client who owns the property at 26450 Co. Rd. 23 understands the guidelines required to construct an AG Exempt building on his property and he agreed to the terms and conditions signing the declaration that was required. He instructed me to make certain all aspects of the building are done to meet the building codes so should he wish to change the use of the building later, he'd have to option to provide more engineering details, pay additional review and inspection fees to get the building fully permitted.

Acknowledging the electrical service limitations for an AG Exempt building, I still set up my electrician to install a service panel sized so should we change building use and get fully permitted, the panel would be sized properly and not need to be replaced. Same with the service line from PG&E let's do it once and not twice. What I thought was good logical intent has now backfired and our panel won't be accepted due to it exceeding the AG Exempt limitations.

I thought I'd be OK with the oversized panel if the installed circuits meet the AG exempt criteria for electrical. Client has now tasked me with finding out and reporting back to him what would be required of us at this point to just take a sharp turn in the road and apply for full permitting. He does not want me to undo the electrical work that's done but would rather get it permitted and move on.

- 1. What steps would I be required to complete to fully permit the new building?
- 2. What would I budget (roughly) for additional permitting and inspection fees?
- 3. With the building basically completed, what kind of timeline might we be facing to get fully permitted once I provide you the information you require.

I will follow up with you Scott, or whomever you suggest with a phone call but thought I'd provide you with our current intent first in written form so we're on the same page.

Sincerely

Matthew Soderer

From: Angelina Espinoza < Angelina. Espinoza@yolocounty.org>

Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 9:50 AM

To: Matt Soderer < MattS@HeatandControl.com>

Subject: BP2022-0477 Electrical Permit

External STOP, LOOK, and THINK!

Good morning Sam. The electric meter release inspection for the Ag Exempt Structure yesterday did not pass. Please see the attached correction notice and Policy and Procedure for Electric Serving Ag exempt Structures. Please let know if you have any further questions. Please call the office when you are ready to reschedule.

Cc: Angelica Yepez < Angelica. Yepez@yolocounty.org>

Subject: Electrical Service Permits

Hello,

When reviewing an application for an electrical service, it is important to understand where they are trying to supply power. While most services are not a big deal because they are serving an ag well or an existing permitted structure, it is important to be vigilant for cases like this one. Always determine what will be served. If it is not serving a permitted structure or well, then ask an experienced tech, inspector, or me if the location is eligible for a service before issuing the permit.

This electrical service application for BP2022-0477 is proposing to provide a 200 amp service to an ag exempt structure. Ag exempt structures are only allowed a very limited power supply and this is our first indicator that the use in the building is not consistent with an ag exempt structure. It is a red flag that should be raised as soon as possible.

Thanks,

Scott Doolittle, P.E.

Chief Building Official

530-666-8609



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Exhibit "20"

From: Leslie Lindbo
To: Scott Doolittle

Subject: Re: BP2022-0510 on APN 049-325-007 **Date:** Thursday, June 2, 2022 8:52:54 AM

Oh my!! Keep me posted!

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From: Scott Doolittle <Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>

Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 7:55:45 AM

To: Leslie Lindbo < Leslie.Lindbo@yolocounty.org> **Subject:** BP2022-0510 on APN 049-325-007

I just want to give you an alert that I will be heading out to a site for a meter release this afternoon. Why is this news? I received a tip that the site is being used to run a pyrotechnics business. Sheriff deputies, potentially including deputies that we work with, are reported to be involved in the business. They are using an ag exempt building plus 25 Conex boxes for the operation. I am going to meet Angelina out there for the meter release inspection to gather more information and verify the reports, but I will tread lightly today. Then we can discuss how to proceed.

Scott Doolittle, P.E.

Chief Building Official

530-666-8609

Exhibit "21"

From: <u>Moushumi Hasan</u>

To: Scott Doolittle; Dawne Koranda
Cc: Angelina Espinoza; Stephanie Cormier

Subject: RE: Pyrotechnics Business

Date: Friday, June 3, 2022 3:02:00 PM

Hi all,

Thanks for the email. If the facility is handling new or waste fireworks at or above reportable quantities, then they need to submit a Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) via the CERS website. Yolo County Environmental Health Hazmat Unit staff will then review and either approve the plan or ask for more information. If the facility qualifies as a HMBP or CUPA facility, it will be added to our database and inspected at least once every three years. They will also get an annual invoice. They will need to review and certify their HMBP annually.

Here is the condition the Land Use Unit uses for business license applications and building permits:

Prior to handling hazardous materials in quantities equal to or greater than 55-gallons for liquids, 500-pounds for solids, or 200-cubic feet for compressed gases, a Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) must be completed and submitted to Yolo County Environmental Health (YCEH). Starting January 1, 2013, this must be done by going to the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) web site (http://cers.calepa.ca.gov/), creating an account, entering required facility information, hazardous materials inventory, and emergency response and training plans, and submitting the information for approval by Yolo County Environmental Health. For assistance with CERS, please visit our web site at https://www.yolocounty.org/government/general-government- departments/community-services/environmental-health-division/hazardous-materialsprograms/california-environmental-reporting-system-cers or call YCEH at (530) 666-8646 and ask to speak to a Hazmat Specialist. If a facility only generates below-reportable quantities of hazardous waste, it is not required to submit a HMBP in CERS, but the facility will be regulated by our Hazardous Materials (CUPA) program. Please contact our office and ask to speak to a Hazmat Specialist. The reporting thresholds for certain gases are higher, and that for extremely hazardous materials or radiological materials are lower. Please call our office and ask to speak to a Hazmat Specialist.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Moushumi

Moushumi Hasan, REHS
Supervising Hazmat Specialist
Environmental Health Division/ HazMat Unit
Yolo County Department of Community Services
292 W. Beamer Street
Woodland, CA 95695

From: Scott Doolittle

To: Moushumi Hasan; Dawne Koranda

Cc: Angelina Espinoza; Stephanie Cormier; Leslie Lindbo

Subject: Re: Pyrotechnics Business

Pate: Friday, June 3, 2022 7:34:35 PM

As an update, I was able to talk to the fire chief, Curtis Lawrence, and he confirmed that the pyrotechnic business is licensed through the federal ATF. We will still be reaching out to get local regulations, but I expect cooperation from the pyro business.

Curtis also said the 25 grouped containers are "safe and sane" fireworks and act as a distribution center, whereas the other smaller groups of containers are the ones that contain the more dangerous materials and they appear to meet fire separation requirements, but I need to verify.

Any operations involving repackaging or processing the materials is done outdoors to simplify the regulations they need to meet for their ATF license.

Scott Doolittle Chief Building Official 530-666-8609

From: Moushumi Hasan < Moushumi. Hasan@yolocounty.org>

Sent: Friday, June 3, 2022 3:02:42 PM

To: Scott Doolittle <Scott.Doolittle@yolocounty.org>; Dawne Koranda

<Dawne.Koranda@yolocounty.org>

Cc: Angelina Espinoza < Angelina. Espinoza @yolocounty.org>; Stephanie Cormier

<Stephanie.Cormier@yolocounty.org>
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As your local fire agency, the Esparto Fire Protection District is committed to protecting lives, property, and our beautiful rural landscape from the growing threat of wildfires. With hotter, drier conditions becoming more common, it's more important than ever for our community to be prepared. That means creating and maintaining defensible space around your home, using fire-resistant landscaping, and having an evacuation plan in place before a fire starts.

We're here to help. Whether it's through public education or emergency response, our team is dedicated to working with residents to keep Esparto safe.

The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (https://www.fire.ca.gov/prepare) maintain a great lirairy of resources on fire safety.

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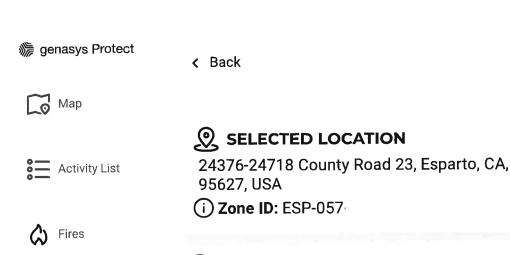
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As a **resident**, **property owner**, **or stakeholder in Yolo County**, it is critical to review these updates because they can directly impact:

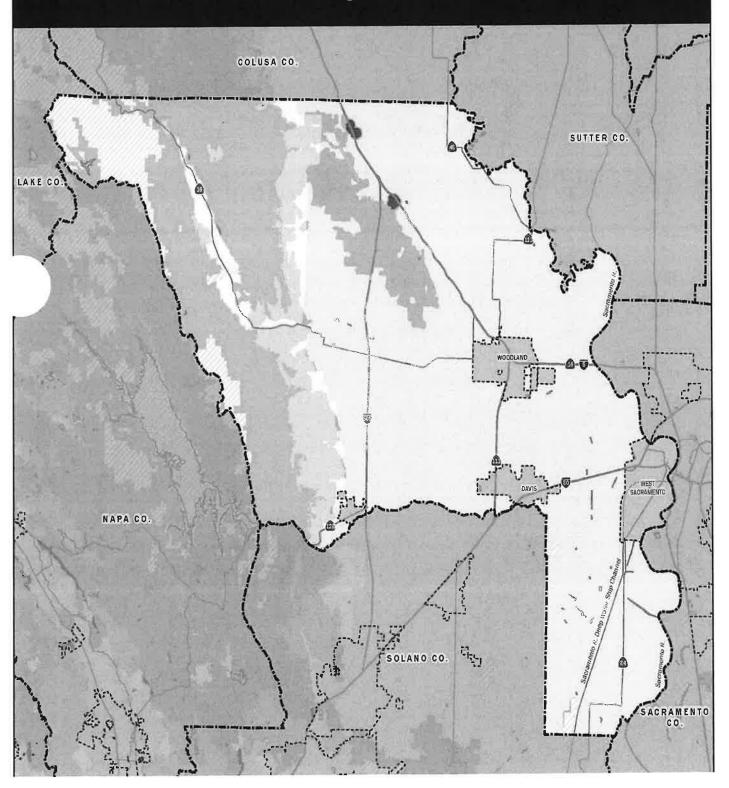
- Building Codes & Development Regulations New hazard designations may influence construction standards, defensible space requirements, and land use planning.
- Home Insurance Rates & Availability Insurance providers use FHSZ maps to assess wildfire risk, which may affect your policy rates or coverage eligibility.
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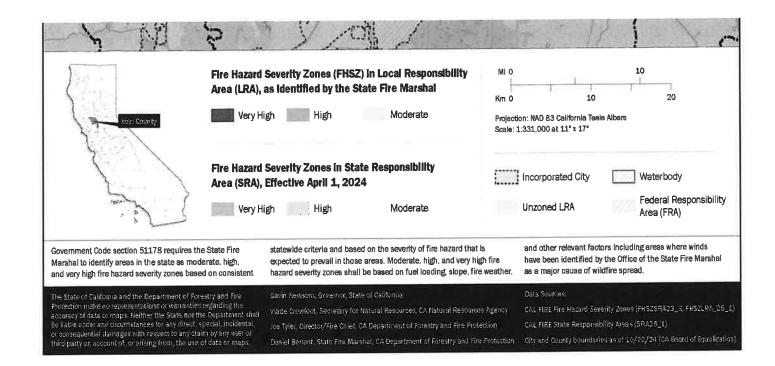


Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones

As Identified by the State Fire Marshal

February 24, 2025







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Fire Hazard Severity Zone Viewer

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<u>Yolo County Local Responsibility Area (LRA)</u> (/home/showpublisheddocument/84060/638785982684900000) – PDF

<u>California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection Public Meetings (https://calfire-umbo5.azurewebsites.net/business/meeting-agendas-and-annual-schedules/)</u>

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A Message from Yolo County

Our hearts are with the families and loved ones of those lost in the Oakdale Fire incident near Esparto. The tragic events of July 1 have deeply affected our entire community. We extend our deepest sympathies to all those impacted.

Yolo County is fully cooperating with the ongoing multi-agency investigation and remains committed to ensuring the integrity of that process. We understand the public's need for timely and accurate information, and we will continue to provide regular updates as new information becomes available to ensure transparency.

This page is designed to answer questions we've received and to outline the County's role in the response, what actions have been taken, and what lies ahead.

On August 28, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors has provided an update on the Oakdale Fire incident, reaffirming their commitment to public safety, transparency, and accountability while the investigation continues. Read the Statement (https://www.yolocounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/85585/638920176642600000).

On August 11, Yolo County's Public Health Officer declared a Local Health Emergency for properties impacted by the incident. Read the <u>declaration</u> (https://www.yolocounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/85435/638905098735670000).

On August 8, we thank the Attorney General for responding to our request. We remain committed to being transparent in this investigation, maintaining public trust, and seeking accountability. We will continue to monitor and stay in communication as the investigation progresses. Read the https://www.yolocounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/85441/638905188711270000).

O ly 18, the Board of Supervisors requested the Department of Justice take the in gation lead alongside CAL FIRE. Read the <u>request letter</u> (https://www.yolocounty.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/85222/63888449356050000).

What happened on July 1 near Esparto
Who is managing the investigation and response?
How is Yolo County involved in the response?
Do the Yolo County Sheriff or District Attorney report to the County Board of Supervisors?
What is the current status of the fire site? Are there ongoing hazards?
Are there evacuation orders still in place?
Is it safe to continue agricultural operations near the site?
What happens if contamination is found?
What is the difference between the Local Health Emergency and the Local Emergency declared by the Board of Supervisors?
What is the purpose of the environmental review?
What types of environmental testing are being performed?

Were there fatalities?
What information is there for farmers and residents near the fire site?
Who should families contact for updates?
What is the status of the investigation?
Was the fireworks facility legally allowed to operate at that site?
How does permitting for a fireworks facility typically work?
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Exhibit "24"

Curtis

From:

cutright@devastatingpyro.com

Sent:

Monday, February 1, 2021 3:09 PM

To:

Curtis

Subject: Attachments: **Expanding Operations**

Final Recorded Map.pdf

Hi Curtis,

Hope you are doing well. I wanted to touch base with you as Devastating Pyro is expanding its operations and is looking to buy additional property in the area for storage and handling of both 1.3 and 1.4 fireworks. As is our current practice, we adhere to NFPA 1123 and to ATF regulations for the storage and handling of all pyrotechnic devices. We are looking to acquire a 9.3 acre parcel, plus an adjoining 31 acres. I have attached a plot map of the parcels located on County Rd 23 at County Road 83A. I'm assuming this is within your jurisdiction? I wanted to get your feedback on this location before we start any formal discussions with the property owners about a purchase or long term lease. Let me know if you have time for a quick chat and I can set something up.

Thanks

Best regards

Craig

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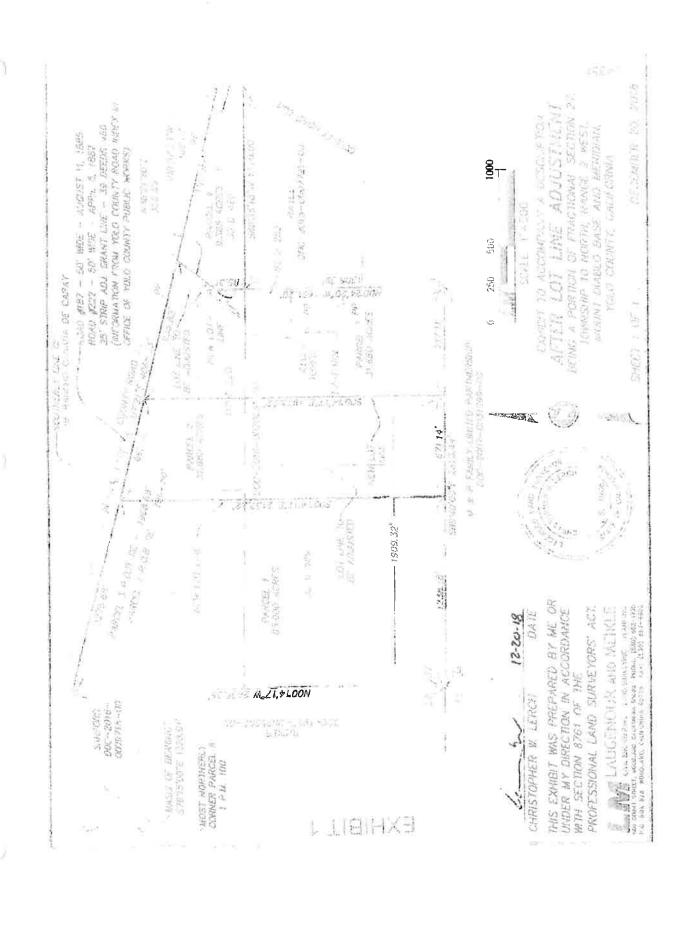


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the 1.3G or 1.4G rating. This refers to their specific Hazard Division within Class 1 Explosives, Compatibility group G. Fireworks that are classified as 1.3G are professional display fireworks, while those that are classified as 1.4G are Under United States laws, all fireworks are classified between 1.1G and 1.4G, with the vast majority falling under consumer fireworks. Here is what you should know.

1.3G - Display Fireworks

explosive materials that consumer fireworks can contain. They are designed for professional fireworks technicians Class 1.3G display fireworks are not for sale to the general public, as they exceed the maximum amount of who have undergone specialized training and carry up to date <u>licenses</u>

fireworks used in professional shows put on by theme parks, cities, and other large organizations for the benefit of There are stringent restrictions regarding the sale, possession, storage, and use of display fireworks. These are the numerous patrons. They are not legal or safe for members of the public to possess or use.

1.4G - Consumer Fireworks

To receive a rating of 1.4G, fireworks may contain no more than 50 mg of flash powder (ground effects) or 130 mg of flash powder (aerial effects). In addition, there are specific restrictions on the chemicals that may be used to create consumer fireworks, and some chemicals are specifically prohibited due to their volatility

Because they are less volatile than display fireworks, the importation, distribution, and storage of 1.4G fireworks are not regulated at the federal level. However, anyone manufacturing consumer fireworks in the United States must obtain a federal license to do so.



county, or city. In fact, only a handful of states have no fireworks law stricter than federal law. Some states and Note that 1.4G is a federal designation. It does not guarantee that a particular effect is legal in any given state, municipalities ban all consumer fireworks regardless of type.

responsibility falls on you to find out whether the fireworks you want to purchase and use are legal in the place Any fireworks that are labeled 1.3G are definitely illegal, as are M-80s and similar items. However, the you plan to hold your show. Always research the relevant laws before making your selection.

Safety

Even if a particular fireworks effect is labeled 1.4G and is legal to use in your area, it might not be safe to use in the launch point and the audience, use safe handling techniques, and ensure that there is a clear path from the launch area you have designated. It is vital to search for hazards, create a perimeter with enough space between the point to the place in the sky where the effect will explode. If you have any doubts about your ability to safely launch a particular effect, err on the side of caution and leave that effect out of your show.

At Dynamite Fireworks, we don't only sell top-quality, name-brand fireworks. We also provide the information you need to know to use them responsibly, legally, and safely. If you have any questions or concerns, give us a call at (219) 937-4090. We look forward to becoming your one-stop shop for all your fireworks needs!



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Text Message • SMS Apr 10, 2023 at 9:28 AM

Good morning, I have set up a case for you to do your preemployment physical at woodland occupational health located on the corner of Gibson and Cottonwood across from the hospital Please give them a call at 5306682660. You will provide them with your name and date of birth, letting them know it is for esparto Fire district. You can schedule whatever time they have available that works for you. Also, if you have time over the next few days, please stop by the station so we can get you set up on a few trainings. Let me know if you have any questions. Thank You Curtis Lawrence

Apr 10, 2023 at 10:30 AM

Will call them now.

Can swing by shortly, need to get Ma settled

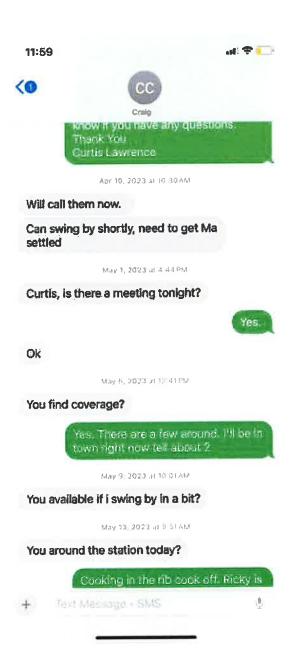
May 1, 2023 at 4:44 PM

Curtis, is there a meeting tonight?

Yes.

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You around the station today?

Cooking in the rib cook off. Ricky is around

Had a request for a small show tonight at Historic Oakdale Ranch, just 3 cakes for Brent Stevenes father who is having a reunion celebration for all the vets he served with

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But ribs are more important 🥶

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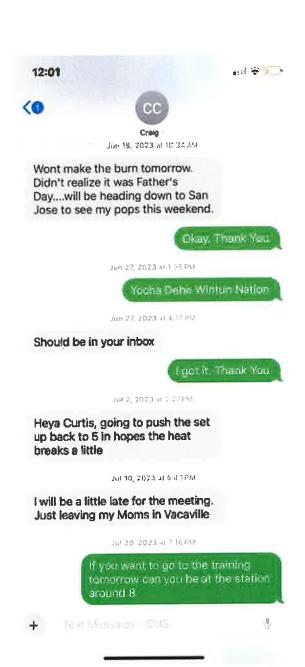
Where is the rib cookoff?

At the station

Ok, will swing by shortly

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Aug 14, 2023 at 3:02 PM

I can cover tomorrow

Perfect. Thank You



Aug 15, 2023 at 8:09 AM

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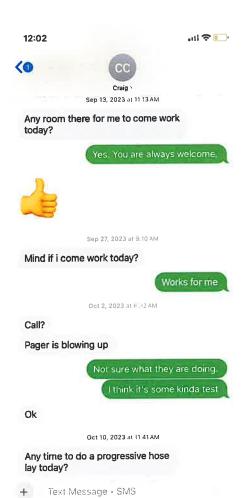
Aug 29, 2023 at 10:40 AM

How you doing on staffing today? Was thinking of heading over and getting some work done.

Have no one with me today

It would be helpful if you came down.

On my way









Oct 10, 2023 at 11:41 AM

Any time to do a progressive hose lay today?

Any time to do a progressive hose lay today?

Can probably do something around

Ok, will come by and do some work....whever you have time





SOUTH, SHEET BRIDE

You rang boss?

Calling to let you snow that Becky tested positive for Covid this evening. Not sure what contact you had with her.

Im coming down with something....will test in the morning



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Negative for covid

Did Ricky test?

I have something...but fairly mild. Will test again tomorrow

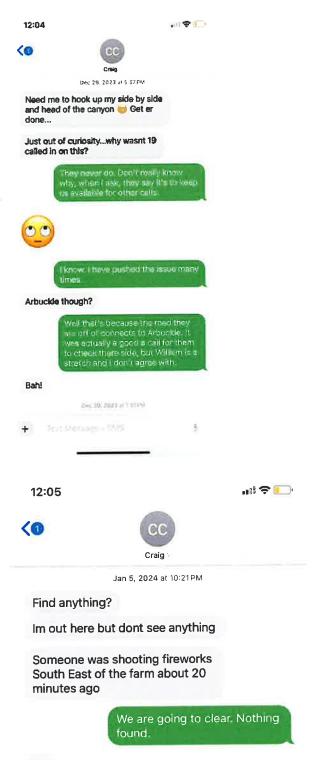
That's good. I have not asked him. They are throwing up and think it's that flu

No throwing up here....hope it stays that way.

Yeah me too

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Just checking in boss man

Thu, Jul 2 at 11 43 AM

Heya Curtis, I'm at the station, was hoping to see you. I wanted to convey to you that I have decided to resign from the station. I think it is best for everyone if I am not associated. It has been a pleasure and honor to work with all of you. You have all become my friends and family. Hoping this is all resolved in the near future and we can get back to doing the things that I love. Good luck with everything you do. I think you are going to do big things in your future.

Craig, we need to have a face to face conversation before you make that decision. I'll head your way soon please stay there. Thank

Erz, 210 4 51 10 53 451

I'm back at the station for a bit

Frt. Jul 4 at 8 17714

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2	STATE OF CALIFORNIA)				
3	COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss:				
4	I, the undersigned, declare:				
5 6	I am employed in the County of Riverside, State of California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action; my business address is 895 Marlborough Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside, California 92507.				
7 8	On the date written below, I served the document named below on the parties indicated below, in the following manner:				
9	DOCUMENT: CLAIM FOR DAMAGES (including Attachment and Exhibits 1- 26)				
10	PARTIES SERVED:				
11	(By Personal Service) I am familiar with this office's practice for the personal service of documents. I caused said document(s) to be delivered by hand to the offices of the addressee.				
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13 14	625 Court Street, Rm. 204 Woodland, CA 95695				
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17	(STATE) I dealers under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California United				
18	(STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, Unite State of America that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.				
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