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Project Title: ROEDING REGIONAL PARK FACILITY MASTER PLAN AND FRESNO CHAFEE ZOO FACIL
Project Applicant Name: CITY OF FRESNO Phone Number: (559) 621-8046
Project Applicant Address: 2600 FRESNO STREET, FRESNO, CA 93721
Project Applicant: LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION	\$	0.00
ENVIR. IMPACT REPORT	\$	2839.25
ADMINISTRATION FEE	\$	50.00
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Signature and title of person receiving payment: 

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Notice of Determination

To: _____ Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
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From: City of Fresno
Development and Resources Management
Department
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno, CA 93721

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By *Richard M. Lopez*
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Roeding Regional Park Facility Master Plan and Fresno Chaffee Zoo Facility Master Plan

Project Title

State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to Clearinghouse)	Lead Agency Contact Person	Area Code/Telephone/Extension
2008031002	Kevin Fabino	559 621 8046

City of Fresno, Fresno County, California – The Roeding Regional Park Facility Master Plan and Fresno Chaffee Zoo Facility Master Plan Project is located between State Route 99 and Golden State Boulevard and bounded by West Olive Avenue to the north and West Belmont Avenue to the south, in the southwest portion of the City of Fresno.

Project Location (include county)

Project Description: The City of Fresno's Roeding Regional Park is located generally between State Route 99 and Golden State Boulevard in the southwest portion of the City of Fresno, Fresno County, California. The 148-acre park is bounded by West Olive Avenue on the north; West Belmont Avenue on the south; Golden State Boulevard and Union Pacific Rail line on the east; and State Route 99 on the west. An area encompassing approximately 8.3 acres of commercial, office, and residential development and public streets south of West Olive Avenue, between SR 99 and North West Avenue, is not within Roeding Regional Park.

The Fresno Chaffee Zoo is in the south-central portion of Roeding Regional Park, Rotary Playland is in the southwest corner, and Rotary Storyland is along the west boundary. The proposed zoo expansion area encompasses 21 acres generally east of the existing zoo, and the proposed Rotary Storyland and Playland expansion area encompasses approximately 2 acres adjacent to the existing boundaries of Rotary Storyland and Playland grounds.

The 148-acre Roeding Regional Park consists of three components: the portion devoted to active and passive recreation areas and the PARCS maintenance yard (123 acres), the Fresno Chaffee Zoo (18 acres), and the Rotary Storyland and Playland facilities (7 acres). The planned expansion of the zoo (by 21 acres) and Storyland and Playland (by 2 acres) would reduce the amount of land for active and passive recreation uses, a decrease from 123 acres currently to 100 acres. These 100 acres would include public recreation/open space (76 acres), parking (9 acres), multiple purpose paths (6 acres), public access roads (5 acres), a non-public access road (2 acres) and a new PARCS maintenance facility (2 acres). Some of the roads and parking included in the active and passive recreation area of Roeding Regional Park would also serve the Fresno Chaffee Zoo and Rotary Storyland and Playland facilities.

The Fresno Chaffee Zoo would expand from 18 acres to 39 acres. The 39 acres would include exhibits (including habitat) (20 acres), landscaping/open space (10 acres), multiple purpose paths (5 acres), buildings (3 acres), non public access roads (1 acre). The Fresno Chaffee Zoo would gain 3 of the 21

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additional acres from the PARCS Maintenance Facility, which is presently located adjacent to the northwest boundary of the Chaffee Zoo. The remaining 18 acres will result from the Chaffee Zoo's expansion into an area located in the southeast corner of Roeding Regional Park (the "Expansion Area"). The Expansion Area is presently developed for park use and provides recreational opportunities for the public. The Expansion Area currently includes several groves of trees, roadways, parking spaces, paved walking paths, grasslands, a picnic grove, a horseshoe pit, and water features.

As a result of federal grants accepted pursuant to the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and to comply with Section 6(f)(3) of Public Law 88-578 for the proposed project, the Department of Interior, National Park Service (NPS) through the California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) may require the City to complete an administrative approval process.

The total area encompassed by Rotary Playland and Storyland would expand from 7 acres to 9 acres. The 9 acres would encompass the existing Rotary Playland and Storyland and small expansion areas adjacent to the boundaries of each facility. Lake Washington and the adjacent public picnic area are considered public recreation open space, although those areas presently abut the Fresno Chaffee Zoo, and Rotary Playland and Storyland.

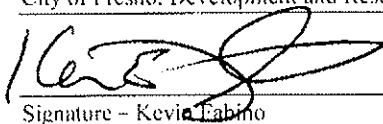
The implementation of the proposed project will require two discretionary approvals by the City of Fresno. These discretionary approvals are as follows: approval of Conditional Use Permit Application No. C-08-186 for the uses proposed in the Fresno Chaffee Zoo Facility Master Plan and the Roeding Regional Park Facility Master Plan, and approval of a conditional use permit application for the proposed Storm Drain Facility. Other subsequent approvals may be required if so decided by the approving agency. These subsequent approvals could include; improvement plans, grading permits, building permits, and landscape plans.

This is to advise that the City of Fresno has approved the above described project on June 30, 2011 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- Lead Agency Responsible Agency
1. The project will will not have a significant effect on the environment.
 2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA
 3. Mitigation measures were were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
 4. A statement of Overriding Considerations was was not adopted for this project.
 5. Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15091.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at:

City of Fresno, Development and Resources Management Department, 2600 Fresno Street, California, 93721


Signature - Kevin Tabino

July 1, 2011
Date

Planning Manager
Title

Date received for filing at OPR:

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