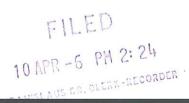
STANISLAUS COUNTYDEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C Modesto, California 95358



NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Jennifer Mercado

Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

Clearinghouse No.: 2010012019

Project Title: JND Thomas Co., Inc. Application for Permit to Operate a Food Processing By-product Use Site, to Reuse Aerated Pond Mud and Rinse Mud Food Processing By-Products

Applicant Information: JND Thomas Co., Inc., 22052 W. Everett Avenue, Riverdale, CA 93656, Dennis Thomas, President (559) 250-2666

Project Location: The two project land application sites are located on Ellenwood Road in Stanislaus County. The APN numbers for the project land application sites are: 015-003-004 and 015-081-048. The APN numbers for the ConAgra Foods facility, generator of the food processing by-products, located at 554 S. Yosemite Avenue, Oakdale are: 063-024-002, 063-024-008, 063-024-009, and 063-024-020. See the attached map.

Description of Project: Applicant has applied for a Stanislaus County Food Processing By-Product Use permit for land application of food processing by-products. This project includes the land-application of food processing by-product mud, consisting of tomato and bean plant material and soil rinsed from the produce, dredged from the ConAgra facility large aerated pond and by-product rinse mud generated from the rinsing of produce prior to processing to be utilized as soil amendments on active farmland and orchards. These activities would be performed and enforced under the Stanislaus County Ordinance, Chapter 9.88, for food processing by-product use. Subject land application parcels total approximately 1,056.7 acres. With required by-product application setbacks, subject land application parcels total approximately 802 usable acres for by-product application. Land application will typically occur during spring, summer, and fall months. Application of by-product materials would not exceed limits based on agronomic rates for the crops and trees that are planted.

Name of Agency Approving Project: Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors

Lead Agency Contact Person: Vicki Jones, Senior Resource Management Specialist Telephone: (209) 525-6710

This is to advise that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors on <u>April 6, 2010</u> has approved the above described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The **Negative Declaration** and record of project approval may be examined at: <u>Stanislaus County</u>

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- 3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.

Signature (Public Agency)

April 6, 2010

Signature (Lubilo Agency)

Date

Vicki Jones, Senior Resource Management Specialist

