



## **Cyclum NextGen Travel Centers and City of Tulare Announce Agreement to Develop 26-Acre Renewable Fuel Travel Center at Mefford Field**

**TULARE, CA** – December 19, 2024 – Cyclum NextGen Travel Centers, in partnership with Central Cal Truck Stops, LLC, is proud to announce an agreement with the City of Tulare to transform a 26-acre portion of Mefford Field into a state-of-the-art Renewable Energy Truck and Vehicle Charging Center. This landmark project marks a significant step toward sustainable transportation and economic development in the San Joaquin Valley, creating approximately 50 new jobs and aligning with California's renewable energy goals.

The Tulare City Council approved the partnership at its December 17 meeting. This innovative travel center will offer transitional and renewable fuels, including renewable diesel, ethanol-based gasoline, renewable compressed natural gas, hydrogen, and electric vehicle (EV) charging powered by green electricity. The facility is poised to serve both local residents and Highway 99 travelers, providing vital infrastructure for the state's growing zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) fleet.

The project is expected to generate significant economic benefits for the city, including an estimated \$2.6 million in gross tax revenue from fuel, food, beverages, and other services. Additional annual revenue of \$215,000 is projected from parking, truck washing, and service amenities, alongside \$288,000 in lease revenue.

“This partnership demonstrates our shared commitment to a cleaner, more sustainable future for transportation,” said **Cyclum CEO Brian Profitt**. “We are thrilled to work with the City of Tulare to bring our NextGen Travel Center vision to life. This project will provide critical renewable fueling options while contributing to the local economy and supporting California’s ambitious clean energy goals.”

As part of the agreement, the city will conduct environmental assessments and necessary property improvements, with up to \$750,000 allocated for remediation and demolition work if required. Cyclum will assume any additional costs. The city also committed to assisting with grant applications and other funding opportunities to support traffic and infrastructure improvements related to the project.

“Cyclum is proud to invest in Tulare and help position it as a leader in renewable energy infrastructure,” added **Cyclum COO Polly Flinn**. “This project is just the beginning of our commitment to bringing sustainable travel solutions to communities across the country.”

The Mefford Field Renewable Energy Travel Center is part of Cyclum’s larger initiative to develop 400 NextGen Travel Centers nationwide, with construction beginning on the West Coast in 2025.

For more information about Cyclum and its renewable energy projects, visit [www.gocyclum.net](http://www.gocyclum.net).

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