

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
INITIAL STUDY AND PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

May 23, 2008

Notice is hereby given that the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (District) proposes to issue a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the following project:

Project Title: Nations Petroleum (California) LLC. Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate Eleven New Steam Generators

Project Location: The facility's location is within the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin (SJVAB) in Kern County. The permitted locations within the perimeter of the existing Nations Petroleum (California) LLC facility for the steam generators are as follows:

S-4073-65 thru '-71: NW ¼ of Section 2, T26S, R20E

S-4073-72 thru '-75: NE ¼ of Section 11, T26S, R20E

Description of Project: The San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (District) has received an Authority to Construct (ATC) application from Nations Petroleum (California) LLC to modify an existing Thermally Enhanced Oil Recovery (TEOR) operation such that the vapors collected from the well heading casing vent can be incinerated in District permitted steam generators, and installation of eleven steam generators to assist the TEOR operation.

An Initial Study was prepared, which identified impact on air quality as the project's only potential significant environmental effect. The District's engineering evaluation of the project determined that compliance with District rules and permit conditions would reduce and/or mitigate the project's potential impact to less than significant. The reasons to support such findings are documented in the Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the District. Copies of the Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced therein may be reviewed at the following locations:

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District:

San Joaquin Valley APCD
Central Region Office
1990 E. Gettysburg Ave.
Fresno, CA 93726

On the web at: http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm

COMMENTS ON INITIAL STUDY AND PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

Public Review Period: Begins: May 23, 2008 **Ends:** June 23, 2008

Any interested person may submit written comments on the Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. Written comments will be reviewed by the District in considering the adoption of a Final Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project. To be considered, comments must be received by **5:00 pm on June 23, 2008.**