

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

July 21, 2008

Notice is hereby given that the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (District) proposes to issue an Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration for the following project:

PROJECT TITLE, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION

Project Title: Rule 4306 Amendments and Proposed Rule 4320

Project Location: All counties within the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin (SJVAB), including: Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tulare.

Description of Project: The project is to adopt amendments to Rule 4306 (Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters – Phase 3) and adopt proposed Rule 4320 (Advanced Emission Reduction Options For Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters Greater Than 5.0 MMBtu/hr). The project will seek to reduce oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), oxides of sulfur (SO_x) and particulate matter (PM) emissions from this source category. This project is part of the District's 2007 8-hour ozone and 2008 PM_{2.5} attainment strategies. To satisfy the attainment goals of the ozone and PM plans, this project will seek to obtain as much NO_x, SO_x, and PM emission reductions as is expeditiously practicable, technologically feasible, and economically reasonable, as determined by the District's Governing Board. The control technologies that would likely be installed to achieve the draft NO_x limits is an Ultra Low NO_x burner (ULNB) system with or without flue gas recirculation, or selective catalytic reduction (SCR), or nonselective catalytic reduction (SNCR). The draft SO_x limit can be met through the exclusive use of PUC-quality natural gas, commercial propane, butane, or liquefied petroleum gas, or a combination of such gases, limiting fuel sulfur content, or add-on pollution control equipment. Add-on control could be a wet or dry scrubber. The draft PM limit can be met through compliance with the SO_x limit requirements or add-on controls. For add-on PM emission controls, filters or electrostatic precipitators are used.

AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STUDY AND PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

The Proposed Negative Declaration is based upon a finding that the project will not have significant impacts on the environment or human health. The reasons to support such a finding are documented in the Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration prepared by the District. Copies of the Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration and all documents referenced therein may be reviewed at the following location:

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 NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

Public Review Period: Begins: July 24, 2008 **Ends:** August 13, 2008

Any interested person may submit written comments on the Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration. Written comments will be reviewed by the District in considering the adoption of a Final Negative Declaration for the project. To be considered, comments must be received by **5:00 pm on August 13, 2008**.