

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

April 14, 2010

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

PROJECT TITLE, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION

Project Title: Recommendations on Agricultural Burning

Project Location: This rule applies to open burning conducted within the boundaries of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District with the exception of prescribed burning and hazard reduction burning as defined in Rule 4106 (Prescribed Burning and Hazard Reduction Burning).

Description of Project: The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District has prepared draft *Recommendations on Agricultural Burning* Report (Report) for consideration by the District's Governing Board. The purpose of the Report is to identify economically feasible alternatives to open burning of various agricultural materials and to meet its legal obligation under the California Health & Safety Code (CH&SC). The Report is intended to satisfy the requirements from the CH&SC Section 41855.6, by presenting the District's recommended determinations for specified crops and materials, particularly those that don't have an economically feasible alternative to open burning.

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: April 14, 2010 **Ends:** May 14, 2010

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 May 14, 2010.**