



Notice of Determination

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From: San Joaquin Valley Unified Lead Agency (If different from sender)
Air Pollution Control District

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2010022066

Project Title: Proposed Amendments Rule 2301 (Emission Reduction Credit Banking)

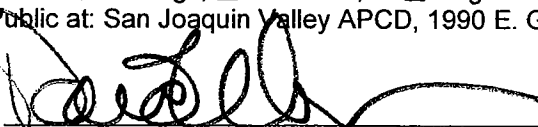
Project Location: This project is an amendment to existing District Rule 2301 (Emission Reduction Credit Banking), which applies to all transactions involving the storage, transfer, or use of emission reduction credits of affected pollutants within the boundaries of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.

Project Description: This rulemaking project consists of adopting amendments to District Rule 2301 (Emission Reduction Credit Banking) to allow voluntary banking of greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions. The draft amendments would provide a regulatory mechanism for sources to preserve voluntarily GHG emission reductions; provide a regulatory mechanism for the surrender of said GHG emission reductions to offset or mitigate proposed GHG emission increases; and would establish eligibility standards and administrative practices to assure that banked reductions are surplus of required reductions and are voluntary. The draft amendments neither impose conditions requiring installation of pollution control equipment nor require facilities to bank GHG emission reductions. The draft amendments do not define eligible uses of GHG reductions that are banked under this rule.

This is to advise that the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, acting as a Lead Agency approved the above described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the District's Findings, Final EIR, or Negative Declaration, and record of project approval, is available to the General Public at: San Joaquin Valley APCD, 1990 E. Gettysburg Street, Fresno, CA

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Director of Permit Services

Date: 1/20/12