



**PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

July 8, 2016

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

PROJECT TITLE, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION

Project Title: Barnhart Ranch Project (N-1143814)

Project Location: 718 Barnhart Road in Ceres, California.

Description of Project: Barnhart Ranch is proposing to expand its existing egg laying hen ranch operation by constructing three (3) new cage free barns resulting in an increase in capacity of 1,098,000 hens. In addition, Barnhart Ranch will construct a 77,318 square foot processing facility with parking, a 17,000 square foot cold and dry storage building and a 3,200 square foot electrical building to support expansion of the egg laying hen ranch. Barnhart Ranch also plans to further expand its existing egg laying ranch by constructing two (2) more cage free barns resulting in an increase in the capacity of 732,000 hens.

AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STUDY AND DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

The Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration demonstrates that with mitigation the project will have a less than significant impact on the environment. The reasons to support such a finding are documented in the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the District. Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated 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 DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

Public Review Period: Begins: July 8, 2016 **Ends:** August 8, 2016

Any interested person may submit written comments on the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at the address above. 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 August 8, 2016**.