

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

October 23, 2007

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

**PROJECT TITLE, LOCATION, AND DESCRIPTION**

**Project Title:** Darling International Inc. – Turlock Expansion of Animal Rendering Operations

**Project Location:** The Project will be located at the existing animal rendering facility at 11946 Carpenter Road, Crows Landing, California. The site is located within Stanislaus County and is bounded by Carpenter Road to the west and Harding Road to the south. The site is approximately nine (9) miles west of the City of Turlock (APN 058-022-005).

**Description of Project:** Darling has submitted three (3) Authority to Construct (ATC) applications to the District to (i) replace the existing animal by-product cooker and supporting equipment, (ii) add a new boiler, (iii) cease the use of the hatchery waste process, (iv) discontinue blood meal production operations, (v) discontinue feather meal production operations and incorporate the existing feather meal processing equipment into the raw material cooking process to produce only meat and bone meal, (vi) upgrade the raw material receiving and grinding handling system, and (vii) upgrade the finished feather meal and blood meal product storage and loadout systems to handle only meat and bone meal. Collectively these modifications constitute the Darling International Inc. – Turlock Expansion of Animal Rendering Operations Project.

**AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STUDY AND PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:**

The Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is based upon a finding that the project may have significant impacts on air quality, but these impacts can be mitigated to a less-than-significant impact. The reasons to support such a finding 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](http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm)

**COMMENTS ON INITIAL STUDY AND PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:**

**Public Review Period: Begins:** October 23, 2007 **Ends:** November 26, 2007

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 Negative Declaration for the project. To be considered, comments must be received by **5:00 pm on November 26, 2007.**