



## San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

October 4, 2005

**Project Title:** Draft Rule 4694 (Wine Fermentation and Storage Tanks)

**Project Location:** All land within the boundaries of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, including the entire counties and all the cities of Fresno, Kings, Madera, Merced, Tulare, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and the San Joaquin Valley portion of Kern County

**Description of Project:**

The San Joaquin Valley Air Basin (SJVAB) is classified as an extreme ozone nonattainment area and a serious PM10 nonattainment area for the health-based air quality standards established by the federal Clean Air Act. The SJVAB is also classified as severe nonattainment for the California ozone standard and nonattainment for the California PM10 standard.

This rulemaking project is part of the District's ozone and particulate matter attainment strategies. As such, this project will seek to obtain as much emission reduction from the source category as is expeditiously practicable, technologically feasible, and economically reasonable, as determined by the District's Governing Board. The rulemaking project is also intended to satisfy the state and federal requirements identified above.

The purpose of the rule is to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) from the fermentation and bulk storage of wine, or achieve equivalent emission reductions from alternative emission sources. The rule would apply to all wineries operating in the District. Wineries producing less than 10 tons VOC emissions from wine fermentation would be exempt from the rule's emissions control requirements. Affected wineries would have to reduce their baseline VOC emissions from wine fermentation by 35%. District staff estimates that a 35% reduction in baseline emissions would equate to annual emission reductions of 224 to 262 tons, for a daily reduction of 0.61 to 0.76 tons per day.

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**Public Review Period:** Begins October 4 Ends November 2, 2005

**Public Hearing:** A public hearing will be held to consider this action on December 15, 2005, 9:00 a.m. at the District Headquarters Office.

***Anyone interested in this matter is invited to comment on the document by written response on or before November 1, 2005***