

PREFACE

This document constitutes the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District's (SJVUAPCD) Extreme Ozone Attainment Demonstration Plan. The Draft EIR was circulated for a 30-day public review and comment period on August 6, 2004. The comment period ended on September 7, 2004. A shortened Clearinghouse review period was granted in accordance with CEQA Guidelines §15105 because the proposed project was not of statewide, areawide or regional environmental significance, the SJVUAPCD requested a shortened review period in writing, and the responsible and trustee agencies were contacted and agreed to the shortened review period. The shortened review period was granted due to the severe time constraints that the SJVUAPCD is operating under to comply with federal Clean Air Act requirements. No comment letters were received during the public comment period. Minor modifications have been made to the Draft EIR to be consistent with changes made in the Extreme Ozone Attainment Demonstration Plan and to finalize the document. None of the modifications alter any conclusions reached in the Draft EIR, nor provide new information of substantial importance relative to the draft document that would require recirculation of the Draft EIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15088.5. Therefore, this document is now a Final EIR. Additions to the text of the EIR are denoted using italics. Text that has been eliminated is shown using ~~strike-outs~~.