

**NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DECISION
FOR THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF
AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District solicits public comment on the proposed issuance of Authority To Construct to Plains Exploration & Production Company for its heavy oil facility located within the heavy oil western stationary source in Kern County, California. The facility is proposing to lower the NOx emissions limit for ten steam generators to comply with the requirements of District Rule 4320. Additionally, for five of the steam generators that are dual-fueled, the facility is proposing to lower SOx emissions by 95% by weight, also for Rule 4320 compliance.

The analysis of the regulatory basis for these proposed actions, Project #S-1094140, is available for public inspection at http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm and the District office at the address below. Written comments on the proposed initial permit must be submitted within 30 days of the publication date of this notice to **DAVID WARNER, DIRECTOR OF PERMIT SERVICES, SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT, 1990 E. GETTYSBURG AVE, FRESNO, CA 93726-0244.**