



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research                      San Joaquin County Clerk  
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**FROM:** San Joaquin County Public Works Department  
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Stockton, California 95205  
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**PROJECT:      NORTH COUNTY SANITARY LANDFILL AND RECYCLING CENTER SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT REVISION PROJECT, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**

The San Joaquin County Department of Public Works (County) has prepared an environmental evaluation document (Initial Study) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) based on the finding that there is no substantial evidence that the action as proposed will have a significant effect on the environment, with mitigation measures incorporated. The reasons to support this finding are documented in the Initial Study.

**PROJECT LOCATION**

The Project site includes portions of the San Joaquin North County Sanitary Landfill and Recycling Center located at 17720 East Harney Lane (Assessor’s Parcel Number 065-12-004), situated east of the City of Lodi in San Joaquin County. The Project site encompasses approximately 321 acres, 185 of which is used for the disposal of various types of non-hazardous solid waste. The Project site is bounded by undeveloped agricultural land on all sides, with some scattered structures, including residences, within a mile of the Project site.

**PROPOSED PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The landfill currently operates under a Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP) issued by the San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department. The Project consists of a proposed revision to the existing SWFP to increase the maximum allowed daily refuse disposal and the number of daily incoming refuse vehicles from 1,200 tons per day and 850 vehicles per day to 4,000 tons and 1,200 vehicles per day. This increase would involve a change in refuse truck routing; approximately 50 transfer trucks that currently go to the Foothill Landfill would be re-routed to the North County Landfill. The projected annual intake would increase from 250,000 tons in 2024 to 660,000 tons in 2026, then increase 3 percent annually thereafter. The current operating hours of the landfill would also be altered from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily to 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Up to six new employees would be needed for the increase in waste disposal and truck trip-related activity. No new construction is proposed as part of the Project, and the landfill’s capacity would not change. Thus, because of the permit modifications without expanding current capacity of the landfill, the projected closure date of the landfill would



move from 2048 to 2043. The rate of additional cell and module construction on the Project site would increase to accommodate the amount of waste accepted. Existing temporary and permanent waste cover methods would remain unchanged, and the truck haul routes would remain the same.

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The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed at the following locations:

- San Joaquin County Department of Public Works,  
1810 East Hazelton Avenue, Stockton, California 95205  
(Copies are available for a fee at this location.)
- San Joaquin County Department of Public Works website: <http://www.sjgov.org/pubworks/>

This Notice of Intent is being sent to applicable local public agencies as well as organizations and individuals of local interest. **Written comments on this document may be submitted during the 30-day public review period, which begins April 1, 2025, and must be received by the San Joaquin County Public Works Department no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2025.** Contact Mark Houghton at (209) 468-3066 or [mhoughton@sjgov.org](mailto:mhoughton@sjgov.org) to submit comments or questions.