

PUBLIC NOTICE

Central Valley Financing Authority LM6000 Fleet Upgrade Project Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration

A draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/Mitigated NegDec) have been prepared for the Central Valley Financing Authority's (CVFA) proposed LM6000 Fleet Upgrade Project (Project), located at the Carson Cogeneration Plant (Carson Cogen). These documents have been prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CVFA is the CEQA lead agency.

In the Project, CVFA proposes to upgrade one of its existing natural gas turbines in order to increase output by 7.9 megawatts (MW) while reducing the carbon footprint on a per MW-hour basis. The Project will reduce nitrogen oxide emissions, a precursor to ozone. The upgrade also improves the Carson Ice-Gen's efficiency, resulting in lower consumption of natural gas per MW-hour.

The draft IS/Mitigated NegDec complies with the requirements of CEQA pursuant to section 21080 of the California Public Resources Code, to evaluate the environmental impacts associated with the Project. This IS/MND focuses primarily on the overall air quality benefits and water use, along with 15 other CEQA areas of study. The draft IS/Mitigated NegDec concludes that the Project will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, and an Environmental Impact Report is not required. All potential impacts have been determined to be less than significant.

Written comments on the IS/Mitigated NegDec will be accepted during the 30-day public comment period from June 5, 2008 through July 7, 2008. Written comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on July 7, 2008, to:

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The Initial Study/Mitigated NegDec is available for review on SMUD's web page at [www.smud.ca.gov](#) and hard copies may be reviewed at the following locations:

- Elk Grove Library, 8962 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove 95624
- Sacramento Central Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento 95814
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District Office, 6201 "S" Street, Sacramento (916) 732-5838
- State Clearinghouse, 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

CVFA invites members of the public to attend a public meeting regarding the draft Initial Study/Mitigated NegDec. The public meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at:

**Laguna Town Hall
3020 Renwick Avenue
Elk Grove, CA 95758**

The CVFA Commissioners will consider adoption of the Final IS NegDec for the Project at two meetings at which the public may make verbal comments. The Commission will take no approval action at the Integrated Resources and Customer Service Committee meeting.

**Both public meetings will be held at
SMUD Headquarters Building
6201 S Street Sacramento, CA. 95817**

CVFA Integrated Resources and Customer
Service Committee Meeting
August 6, 2008; 4:30 p.m. Rm.: HCC

CVFA Commission Meeting
August 7, 2008; 6:00 p.m., Rm.: Auditorium

Accommodations are available for disabled individuals. If you need a hearing assistance device or other aid, or have other questions, please call Kevin Hudson at (916) 732-7101.

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