

Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District

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Daniel Alcayaga, Planning Manager
Town of Apple Valley
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Project: Apple Valley - Village Specific Plan

Dear Mr. Alcayaga:

The Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (District) has received a request for comments on the Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Apple Valley Village. The planning area includes 651± acres north and south of the State Highway 18 corridor generally between Navajo Road and Central Road. The planning area is in the east central portion of Apple Valley in southwestern San Bernardino County.

We have reviewed the project and, based on the information available to us at this time, the District agrees with the findings of the Draft EIR. However, the District notes that the DEIR references MDAQMD Rule 403.2, which has been rescinded. The provisions of that Rule have consolidated into District Rule 403 – *Fugitive Dust Control*. Dust control for the Village Specific Plan will be assessed at the project level, and any individual projects over 5 acres will be required to submit a Dust Control Plan (DCP) to the District. Additionally, the District would like to note that any land use changes that have the potential to increase emissions as a result of this plan should also be assessed for potential impacts on air quality.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this planning document. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (760) 245-1661, extension 6726, or Bertrand Gaschot at extension 4020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alan J. De Salvio".

Alan J. De Salvio

Deputy Director – Mojave Desert Operations

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