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### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIR) REVIEW PERIOD IS FROM APRIL 25, 2013 THRU JUNE 13, 2013

The County of Imperial, as the Lead Agency, hereby issues a Notice of Availability for the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the California Ethanol and Power Imperial Valley 1, LLC Project.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed Sugarcane and Sweet Sorghum-to-Ethanol, Electricity and Bio-Methane Facility (proposed project) includes two components: 1) a sugarcane and sweet sorghum-to-ethanol, electricity and bio-methane facility; and, 2) 41,000 acres of sugarcane supplemented by 33,000 acres of sweet sorghum. Both crops will be grown in the Imperial Valley.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project site is approximately 4.5 miles south-southeast of the City of Brawley and approximately 5 miles north-northeast of the City of Imperial. The project site is located on the north side of Keystone Road approximately 0.5 miles west of State Route (SR) 111 on a single parcel (APN 040-240-007-000) approximately 158.2 acres in size.

**DESIGNATED AREA PLAN:** The proposed 158.2-acre ethanol, electricity and bio-methane facility project site consists of one parcel that is currently zoned A-2-G – (General Agriculture, Geothermal Overlay Zone) and has a Specific Plan Area (SPA) designation on the Imperial County General Plan Land Use Map. The site is adjacent to the northern boundary of Mesquite Lake Specific Plan.

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Project Approvals:

- Water Supply Assessment (WSA)
- Zone Change (ZC 12-0003)
- Specific Plan Amendment (SP 12-0002)
- Conditional Use Permit (CUP 12-0015)
- Variance (V12-0011)
- Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)
- Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
- Approval of CEQA Findings pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091
- Development Agreement/Public Benefit Agreement
- Title 22
- Private Sewage Disposal Permit
- Site Plan

This Environmental Impact Report (EIR) provides an analysis of the potential environmental effects associated with the approval of the California Ethanol and Power Project located in Imperial County.

The EIR analysis focuses on potential impacts arising from development of the proposed project. The EIR adopts this approach in order to provide a credible worst-case scenario of the impacts resulting from project implementation. Where appropriate, some impacts are analyzed under future conditions, which assume buildout of reasonably foreseeable projects in the area. Other issues that are site-specific in nature are evaluated against baseline conditions.

This Notice of Availability is being advertised and distributed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and to request public input regarding the preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report. The review period for this DEIR is **April 25, 2013 thru June 13, 2013. Please reply by June 13, 2013 at 5:00pm.**

**A copy of this DEIR is available on the Imperial County Website at [www.icpds.com](http://www.icpds.com) the local libraries and at the Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department office.**

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