# Learn all about the **PROPOSED KAMM AVENUE** PROCESSING PLANT



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### What is the Kamm Avenue Processing Plant Project?

A family-owned growing and processing operation is proposing to construct and operate a pistachio processing facility on 315 acres of family-owned land on the south side of Kamm Avenue between Interstate 5 and State Route 33. Surrounded by open fields and pistachio orchards, the plant site is located in Cantua Creek just north of Three Rocks.

The family has been farming on the westside for more than 25 years. They have continually invested in sustainable farming and irrigation practices to ensure the growth of the business, employees, and the communities in which they operate.

The proposed Kamm Avenue Processing Plant will be a state-of-the-art facility using sustainable practices, benefiting local growers, and bringing needed jobs and economic activity to Fresno County. The plant has environmental advantages over other processing plants as it will incorporate the most current energy efficiency standards required by the California Green Building Code and will use the newest available equipment. The new facility will process pistachios marketed by Touchstone Pistachio Company.



### What BENEFITS will the Kamm Avenue Processing Plant Project Provide?

#### Valley Agriculture

- Current site has not been used to grow crops in recent years and will not displace any agricultural production.
- Processing crops in a local facility improves the quality and market value of the crop.
- Growers save time and money in transportation costs when using a local processing facility.
- Provide growers a choice of processing facilities, increasing competition and reducing costs.

#### **Economic Advantages**

- Construction and operation will create and keep jobs in Fresno County and the local community the providing means for community to recover from the pandemic recession.
- Will employ 60 full-time employees once fully operational.
- Will employ an additional 60 seasonal employees during the 6week harvest and approximately 100 jobs during construction.
- Local jobs will bring local spending and economic activity.

#### **Environmental Benefits**

- The plant will use a new water reduction system using 40% less water with approximately 80-90% reused for irrigation purposes.
- Plant operations will have no impact on groundwater and will use only surface water.
- Close proximity of the plant to local growers will save fuel and reduce vehicle emissions.
- With a sustainable design, operations will not create any new pollution in the community.





### What is the Project related Draft Environmental Impact Report?

- To ensure that the plant's potential impacts were considered as fully as possible, a full Environmental Impact Report has been prepared and is currently available for public and agency review.
- The 45-day review period began on February 17, 2021 and will end on April 4, 2021.
- The Draft Environmental Impact Report contains strategies that will ensure plant construction and operations will protect our community's water supplies, water quality, quiet neighborhoods, air quality, natural resources, and the surrounding transportation system.

Scan here for access to the Draft **Environmental** Impact Report at the Project webpage:



## Want to learn more about the Project?

Join our upcoming COMMUNITY FORUM\* to learn more about the Kamm Avenue Processing Plant and the Draft Environmental Impact Report.

> **Community Forum** Tuesday, March 23, 2021 6:00 - 7:00pm

Register in advance at

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 8JigDIWBTDKMTnxadG2p0w

Simultaneous Spanish Translation Services will be offered.

Conference Line for Spanish Interpretation Phone Number (978) 990-5000 Password: 118026, #(key sign)

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#### Official public comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report can be provided

- Via Email at info@KAPPproject.com
- Via the Project webpage at www.KAPPproject.com
- Via the Project Hotline at: (559) 272-4561

Via Mail at: Kamm Avenue Processing Plant, LLC Attention: Samantha Ens, Associate Project Manager 1306 W. Herndon Avenue, Suite 108 Fresno, CA 93711.

<sup>\*</sup>Due to current COVID-19 social distancing requirements, and in the interest of public health, the Project Team will hold the Community Forum virtually via Zoom.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Must be in attendance to win.