

TRI VALLEY CORP  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A**  
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**TRI-VALLEY CORPORATION**

**(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)**

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**NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**

To the Stockholders of Tri-Valley Corporation:

Notice is hereby given that in light of Tri-Valley Corporation's ongoing review of strategic alternatives and objectives, Tri-Valley Corporation has determined to postpone its Annual Meeting of Stockholders, originally scheduled to be held on June 15, 2012, until a new meeting date is determined by the Board of Directors. The new date of the Annual Meeting of Stockholders has not yet been set. Tri-Valley Corporation will announce the new date, time, and place of the Annual Meeting once a final determination has been made.

By Order of the Board of Directors

/s/ Paul W. Bateman

Paul W. Bateman

*Chairman of the Board of Directors*

Bakersfield, California

June 4, 2012

