SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN



Sac Metro Air Quality Management District Community Grants Outreach

Question and Answer

- 1. Will hybrid vehicles be included in this?
 - a. Yes, hybrid fuel vehicles will be covered. Plug-in hybrids are preferred
- 2. Will heavy duty truck chargers be included in the prioritization? Every ZE truck will need refueling facilities.
 - a. Funding covers both.
- 3. Will heavy duty vehicle EV charging stations that will only be available for internal use (forklifts and other port related machinery) qualify?
 - a. Infrastructure and vehicles qualify, private or otherwise.
- 4. For off-road heavy duty equipment, for which electric-only replacements are not an option, which funding avenue is the best option?
 - a. We have multiple funding stream and our staff will determine the best funding streams for the projects. Most likely this will be Moyer.
- 5. Are terminal tractors included under HDDT?
 - a. Provided it's registered and titled with DMV as an on-road vehicle, yes.
- 6. Why are lawn and garden equipment replacement programs excluded from funding? These are major sources of air pollution in our communities.
 - a. Lawn and garden equipment replacement is currently available from SMUD. Lawn and garden is covered for schools under CAP. ARB sets the guidelines for lawn and garden qualifications.
- 7. Can off-road certified trucks apply for Prop 1B funds? SMAQMD Prop 1B solicitation applies to on-road trucks, transport refrigeration units, and locomotives transporting goods.
- 8. What about gas hybrid, will these be included?
 - a. At this time, light duty is not qualified.
- 9. If an applicant has already received Carl Moyer funds, what are other funding avenues available for heavy-duty off-road diesel engine repowers and/or hybrid replacements? Please contact AQMD staff for this question.
- 10. Can small full-electric front end loaders or small ZE excavators be allowed in FARMER?
 - a. They will qualify under Moyer.
- 11. For SECAT, is it zero emissions truck purchases only OR are near-zero heavy duty vehicle permissible?
 - a. Currently, it is only ZE trucks for SECAT
- 12. Why would they exclude schools, regarding lawn and garden equipment? That said, what about for community colleges?
 - a. It is the opposite, we will cover up to 70% for schools. Schools are the only qualified applicant for lawn and garden.

- 13. Do staff work with applicants after submitting applications, or before? Should an interested applicant contact staff before submission?
 - a. Staff assist before and after.
- 14. Are stationary diesel ag pumps eligible to be replaced by electric pumps for irrigation?
 - a. If the ag pumps are in Sacramento County, please email us to discuss the project.
- 15. I don't see a category for heavy duty engine repowers (such as for off-road construction equipment), what category would an off-road heavy duty engine repower fall under?a. One application covers all, so you apply and we pick the funding.
- 16. Could you clarify what "first come first served" means? Does that mean people who wait to close to the deadline to apply have less of a chance of being awarded funding?
 - a. If we are oversubscribed, we will go in order of application date and highest points scored out of 5 points. If you wait to apply till the last minute and 20 others before you qualify with 5 points, you may not receive funding.
- 17. Can you please clarify which application you use for low carbon infrastructure purchase only with no equipment replacement? The applications see to be geared towards vehicle replacement.
 - a. One application covers all funding. You can choose infrastructure as a project type in our online application. We only need the new equipment information for infrastructure. We put a description section in the app where you can describe no vehicles included, we will then contact you for clarity.
- 18. Where can we find the general application? How many applications are we allowed to submit?
 - a. Airquality.org incentives, click apply under any open app, all lead to the same app. You can apply for as many legitimate projects as you wish.
- 19. What kinds of community orgs can boost applications? CBOs?
 - a. Community support takes many forms. Show us it meets substantial community need, whatever that looks like.
- 20. Can someone link to a good AB 1390 map?
 - a. <u>http://www.airquality.org/MobileSources/Documents/AB1390%20Policy%20Document</u> <u>s.pdf</u> There is a link on our Carl Moyer page.
- 21. Should we submit an application that covers all of our proposed projects? Or, in the interest of getting applications in sooner, can we submit multiple applications for each distinct project? Which is better?
 - a. Apply even if you aren't convinced it will qualify. It may open the door for either future funding or if extra funds are available. Each project receives its own contract. Apply separately per address or project. Bottom line is several applications stand a better chance.
- 22. Is there a list somewhere of past recipients or is this a new program?
 - a. A list of past recipients is available by completing a public records request act form.
- 23. What happens if we don't know which program we should be applying for? Will whoever we contact be able to guide us?
 - a. Yes, we will reach out.
- 24. Does the District have an estimated timeline for when projects could expect to be under contract with the District, allowing awardees to begin executing purchase orders and incurring eligible costs?

- a. Applications are being assigned to staff, but the ranking will not occur until the June-July timeframe. Next step is pre-inspections, and then contracts are awarded. Most likely contracts will be awarded in September to November timeframe and then purchase orders can occur.
- 25. If we are replacing 3 vehicles, should we submit 3 applications?
 - a. One application.
- 26. If I apply for funding and do not know which projects to apply for, what information about the project do you need? Is there a template? Can I attach a file to the application?
 - a. There is a checklist on the application showing what is required, you can attach a file to the application.
- 27. What if I have multiple vehicles, do I need to submit one application for each?
 - a. There is an option to indicate multiple vehicles, a spreadsheet will come up where you can input the information for all the vehicles.
- 28. Is there a chance for citizens to be involved in expanding the Carl Moyer guidelines to include more hazardous lawn and garden equipment?
 - a. The air pollution control districts have an association called the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association which is the lobbying group supported by the air districts. They represent all the air districts in the state of California. The people in these groups work in smaller subcommittees to develop policy through the lens of the air districts. The Sac Metro Air District also works closely with the Air Resources Board on these incentive programs. The answer is yes, citizens can work directly with local air districts and/or work directly with the ARB to influence and assist in the development of program guidelines.

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