



May 2024 Solicitation Announcement for the Sacramento Emergency Clean Air Transportation (SECAT) Program

The Sac Metro Air District is pleased to announce the opening of the SECAT Program for new applications beginning May 9, 2024. This regional program is designed to promote the use of zero emission vehicles. Fleets in El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties can apply for funding according to the SECAT guidelines and the terms of this solicitation announcement. Applications will only be accepted online at the Sac Metro Air District website at <https://www.airquality.org/>.

All fleets are eligible for \$100,000 towards the purchase of a new, used, or retrofitted zero emission heavy-duty vehicle. New in 2024, government and non-profit organizations can receive up to \$35,000 towards the purchase of a light or medium-duty zero emission vehicle. Applicants do not need to scrap or destroy an existing vehicle to receive SECAT funding.

Funding Availability

Funding for this solicitation will be available to fleets in the following counties with the funding amount shown in the table:

County	Funding
El Dorado County	\$1,600,000
Placer County	\$2,100,000
Sacramento County	\$4,200,000
Sutter County	\$500,000
Yolo County	\$600,000
Yuba County	\$500,000

Applications received by November 9, 2024 will have priority access to funding for each county. After this date, staff may fund applications from other counties as necessary to meet program deadlines. This solicitation will operate on a first-come, first-served basis until funding has been fully contracted.

Applicant Restrictions

For this solicitation, the Sac Metro Air District is restricting applicants as follows:

1. Light-Duty and Medium-Duty applicants must be either a public agency or registered non-profit organization. Public agency means any city, county, tribal authority, district, other local authority, or public body. Non-profit organizations must be registered with the Internal Revenue Service.

2. Applicants must be based in one of the counties listed above to receive SECAT funding or have a physical address in the county such as an office or facility where the funded vehicles will be based.
3. Applicants based in Placer County must purchase vehicles with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 6,001 lbs. or higher. This includes Class 2A vehicles like the Ford F150 Lightning and all medium and heavy duty vehicles, but it does not include most passenger cars and small SUV like the Tesla Model Y or similar vehicles. Please check with the manufacturer to determine the GVWR of your desired vehicles before you apply.
4. Applicants must apply for and purchase at least five (5) light or medium-duty vehicles or at least one (1) heavy duty vehicle using SECAT funding. Applications for less than five (5) light or medium-duty vehicles will be considered providing they include a heavy duty vehicle purchase. Vehicles will not be paid for until all vehicles are delivered and inspected. This requirement may be waived if the vehicles become unavailable due to circumstances outside the applicant’s control or funding deadlines need to be met.
5. Applications received for less than five (5) light or medium-duty vehicles and without a heavy duty vehicle purchase will be considered 45 days after the solicitation opens providing funds are available.

Vehicle Funding

SECAT is now funding zero emission vehicles for all weight classes, including light duty vehicles. There is no minimum or maximum weight requirement, but the funding is based on the GVWR of the vehicle as shown below:

Vehicle Weight Class	Funding per Vehicle
Light Duty (under 8,501 lbs. GVWR)	\$20,000
Medium Duty (between 8,501 & 14,000 lbs. GVWR)	\$35,000
Heavy Duty (14,001 & higher GVWR)	\$100,000

This funding can be combined with other available grants including Carl Moyer, HVIP, and other state rebates. Funding may be reduced if the sum of all grants exceeds the vehicle cost. Please note that some grant programs require a cost share from the applicant. Staff will work with each applicant to ensure compliance with this requirement. Funding is available to add vehicles to a fleet or convert existing vehicles to zero emission operation.

For this solicitation, the SECAT Program will only fund zero emission vehicles that can be quickly delivered or converted to zero emission. Vehicles must be ordered within 45 days of contract execution. Vehicle delivery must occur within 180 days of contract execution. Projects taking longer than these timelines are subject to termination. Applicants need to demonstrate their project meets this timeliness requirement by submitting a proposed VIN or other documentation showing the proposed vehicle can be delivered quickly. Special circumstances can be considered on a case-by-case basis with management review.