
MENDOCINO COUNTY
AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 31, 2018

TO: The Mendocino County
Air Quality Management District Board

FROM: Barbara A. Moed
Air Pollution Control Officer

SUBJECT: District Participation in the California Climate Investments
Woodsmoke Reduction Pilot Program

The Woodsmoke Reduction Pilot Program (Program) is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment—particularly in disadvantaged communities. Assembly Bill 1613 committed \$5,000,000 in funding for replacing uncertified, inefficient wood burning devices with cleaner burning and more efficient devices.

The Statute establishes investment minimums for disadvantaged and low-income communities and low-income households. The Program is designed to help households replace an uncertified wood stove or insert used as the primary source of heat with a cleaner burning and more efficient device.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) developed Program Guidelines for the implementation of the Program. The Program, implemented by CARB, will be administered by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA). The Mendocino County Air Quality Management District will administer projects located in Mendocino County. The Program Work Plan outlines how the District will administer the Program in order meet the goals and requirements of the Woodsmoke Reduction Pilot Program Guidelines and associated agreements with CAPCOA.

The District's total funding allocation for the Pilot Program is \$149, 250. All projects must be completed and final payment requests submitted to CAPCOA no later than December 31, 2019. The Enhanced Voucher Program pays for all costs associated with replacement of old devices with cleaner more efficient devices. The maximum voucher amount for each project is \$4,000 (approximately 35 projects). With Board approval the District can begin soliciting for projects.

The District is requesting that the Board authorize the District to participate in the Woodsmoke Reduction Pilot Program and authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to sign and submit the Agreement to CAPCOA. CAPCOA requires a Minute Order from the District Board authorizing the District's participation in the Program, authorizing the District to accept Program funds and follow the requirements of the Program.

Thank you.