

RESOLUTION NO. 22-135

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SITTING AS THE MENDOCINO COUNTY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (MCAQMD) BOARD RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY MCAQMD TO PARTICIPATE IN YEAR 4 OF THE STATE FARMER GRANT PROGRAM (FISCAL YEAR 2021-22), AND AUTHORIZING MCAQMD TO ACCEPT ALLOCATED PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS, AND DELEGATE THOSE FUNDS TO THE FARMER SHARED ALLOCATION POOL (SAP) ADMINISTERED BY THE PLACER COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT, AND RATIFYING THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER'S EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE MCAQMD

WHEREAS, in 2017, the State Legislature allocated \$135 million to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) through Assembly Bill (AB) 134 and AB 109 to provide incentives for the agricultural community to reduce emissions from heavy-duty diesel equipment; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature allocated additional funding to the FARMER program every subsequent year; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the California legislature appropriated \$212.6 million in FY 21-22 funds to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to reduce emissions from the agricultural sector, to support the replacement of agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations; and

WHEREAS, the MCAQMD was eligible for a direct allocation of FARMER funds in the amount of \$823,100 and has elected to accept those funds and delegate them to the FARMER Program's Shared Allocation Pool (SAP); and

WHEREAS, CARB has contracted with Placer County APCD for administration of the FARMER Program's SAP, for rural Air Quality Management and Air Pollution Control Districts, and

WHEREAS, all Districts participating in the SAP are required to execute a Master Agreement with Placer County Air Pollution Control District (PCAPCD), outlining the programmatic requirements, policies, and procedures of the SAP FARMER Program, in order to participate in the Program; and

WHEREAS, all Districts participating in the SAP are required to execute an Allocation Agreement specific to each funding allocation they would like to participate in, which outlines allocation-specific deadlines and other information.

WHEREAS, MCAQMD has already submitted the application to CARB as required to secure Year 4 funds, and

WHEREAS, due to staffing shortages within the MCAQMD at the end of the 2021 calendar year, FARMER Year 4 funding was redirected to the FARMER Shared Allocation Pool (SAP) administered by the Placer County APCD.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, sitting as the MCAQMD Board of Directors, hereby

1. Ratifies the grant application for Farmer Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 (Year 4); and
2. Authorizes MCAQMD to participate in the Farmer Grant Program Year 4 and accept the state allocation in the amount of \$823,910; and
3. Authorizes MCAQMD to allocate Year 4 funding from the Farmer Grant Program to the FARMER Shared Allocation Pool, and
4. Ratifies the Air Pollution Control Officer's execution and submission of the Application to CARB

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the MCAQMD staff are directed to return to the Board with an item expected to include one or more projects within Mendocino County to be awarded FARMER funding through the SAP Program.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Mulheren, seconded by Supervisor McGourty, and carried this 21st day of June, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors McGourty, Mulheren, Haschak, Gjerde, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.


ATTEST: DARCIE ANTLE
Interim Clerk of the Board



Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS
County Counsel






TED WILLIAMS, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

BY: DARCIE ANTLE
Interim Clerk of the Board



Deputy