
MENDOCINO COUNTY
AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 29, 2020

TO: The Mendocino County
Air Quality Management District Board

FROM: Barbara A. Moed
Air Pollution Control Officer

SUBJECT: District Participation in Fiscal Year 2018-19 state FARMER Grant Program

In 2017, the State Legislature allocated \$135 million to the California Air Resources Board (ARB) through Assembly Bill (AB) 134 and AB 109 to provide incentives for the agricultural community to reduce emissions from heavy-duty diesel equipment. ARB developed the Funding Agricultural Reduction Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) Program to meet the Legislature's objectives and help meet the State's criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goals.

Funding for the FARMER Program has continued with an additional \$132 million allocated to CARB from the State Legislature's FY2018-19 budget. \$4.6 million has been allocated to 18 rural Air Quality Management and Air Pollution Control Districts. The Shared Allocation Pool is specifically designated to ensure that farmers in those Districts have the opportunity to access FARMER funding and to streamline the implementation of the FARMER Program. The Pool will be managed by Placer County Air Pollution Control District (Placer APCD) in accordance with the grant provisions outlined in the agreement between the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and Placer APCD.

The District will solicit projects in accordance with the 2018 FARMER Program Guidelines in addition to the 2019 FARMER Policies & Procedures and bring the list of eligible projects to the Board for approval.

The District is requesting Board authorization for the District to enter into an amended and restated Memorandum of Understanding with Placer County APCD to participate in Year 2 of the FARMER Program, accept Program funds and agree to follow the requirements of the Program.

Thank you.