



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Air Quality Management District

Meeting Date: April 9, 2019

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Placer County Air Pollution Control District for the Air Quality Management District to Participate in the State "Funding Agricultural Reduction Measures for Emission Reductions" (FARMER) Grant Program with Year One Revenue estimated at \$305,607; Authorization to Accept Program Funds and Follow the Requirements of the Program; and Authorization for the Air Pollution Control Officer to Submit the MOU to the Placer County Air Pollution Control District

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve the MOU with the Placer County Air Pollution Control District for the Air Quality Management District to participate in the State FARMER Grant Program; approval of the MOU with the Placer County Air Pollution Control District; authorize the Chair to sign same; authorization to accept program funds and follow the requirements of the Program; authorization for the Air Pollution Control Officer to submit the MOU to the Placer County Air Pollution Control District; and request the Clerk of the Board to provide a Minute Order to the District of the Board's decision.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

December 18, 2018 - Approval of Project Eligibility List for funding from the Carl Moyer Grant Program.

March 26, 2019 - Approval of Project Eligibility List for funding from the Farmer Program, based on the Carl Moyer Grant Program project list.

Summary of Request:

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.

\$5.5 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 FARMER Program Shared Allocation Pool is administered by the Placer County Air Pollution Control District and the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) through an agreement with the California Air Resources Board.

The FARMER Program utilizes the 2018 Carl Moyer Program Guidelines and project criteria in addition to the 2019 FARMER Policies & Procedures. The District submitted 26 eligible projects from the list of Carl Moyer Projects approved by the Board on December 18, 2018. The FARMER Program Project Eligibility List including projects associated with Round 1 of this Program was approved by the Board on March 26, 2019.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not approve the District's participation in the FARMER Program; direct District staff to locate alternative sources for funding or alternative programs.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: <https://arb.ca.gov/ag/agincentives/farmerguidelines.pdf>

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: State FARMER Grant Funds

budgeted in current f/y: N/A

current f/y cost: Approx. \$305,607 - Revenue

if no, please describe: Trust Account

annual recurring cost: Revenue Undetermined

revenue agreement: Yes

budget clarification: FARMER Program Trust Account

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Steve Dunncliff, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Lindsey Dunham, Deputy Clerk

Date: April 11, 2019

Note to Department Number of Original Agreements
Returned to Dept: Two Original Agreement Delivered to
Auditor? Yes

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item Number: **Agreement** Item
Number: 19-122

