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TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

FROM: Aeron Arlin Genet, Air Pollution Control Officer 

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SUBJECT: District Grant and Incentives Program Activity

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the following:

1. An update on the Old Car Buy Back Program for vehicles retired during the period of August 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021;
2. An update on the Landscape Equipment Electrification Fund (LEEF) Program Year 2 for zero-emission landscape equipment vouchers during the period of November 16, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and
3. Summary of the emission-reduction grant agreements approved by the Air Pollution Control Officer for the period of August 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 in accordance with Board Resolution Number 09-14.

DISCUSSION:

This item provides an update on three grant programs and the activity that has occurred since your last Board meeting. Grant fund allocation reports for the District's Old Car Buy Back Program and Landscape Equipment Electrification Fund Program identify funding allocation to date, remaining fund balance, and project location. Your Board expanded the authority of the Air Pollution Control Officer to issue grants for emission reduction projects up to \$250,000 provided your Board had authorized an overall umbrella program for each type of project. The attached summary sheets describe the grants approved since our last report.

The District's 2021 Clean Air Grants Program project solicitation window closed on September 3, 2021, and the District received seventy-five (75) project applications from local businesses and public agencies with a total requested funding over \$10 million. The District anticipates receiving approximately \$2.1 million of Carl Moyer, Community Air Protection, FARMER, and \$2 DMV

Surcharge funds to be available for the 2021 Clean Air Grant Program. Funding projects involves a ranking system based on prioritizing zero-emission or near-zero emission technology projects, and projects located in low-income communities, as defined by AB 1550. Projects selected to be funded are eligible to receive a grant within a range from \$10,000 to \$250,000, not to exceed 80% of the total eligible project costs. While we have not yet received all of our state funds for the 2021 Clean Air Grants program, we expect to begin grant offers to the highest ranked projects in Winter 2021.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Old Car Buy Back Program Update
- B. Landscape Equipment Electrification Fund Program Update
- C. Grant Agreement Approval Forms