

Carl Moyer Program Frequently Asked Questions

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How do I apply for the Program?

Pick up an Application beginning December 19, either at the FRAQMD office (541 Washington Avenue, Yuba City) or on the webpage <http://www.fraqmd.org/Moyer.html>. Submit the Application and all supporting documentation by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 10, 2017.

How do I know if my Application is complete?

The FRAQMD will review your Application within 30 days from when you turn in the Application and send a notice either by mail or email (depending on your preference indicated on the Application). The FRAQMD recommends submitting your Application prior to the March 10th deadline in case it is incomplete, therefore allowing time to submit additional items before the deadline.

How are projects selected for funding?

For this funding year of the Carl Moyer Program (Year 19) the FRAQMD will randomly select projects for funding using a random number generator. Final Tier 4 engines will be awarded first, then if funding remains Interim Tier 4 engines will be awarded. All complete Applications will be assigned a number. Numbers will be randomly selected for funding. Once an Application is selected for funding, it will be entered into the CARL database to determine how much funding the project is eligible for. If the project is not eligible then it will not be funded.

When will I know if my Application has been selected for funding?

The FRAQMD will mail tentative award letters after the random number selection. This should occur in April 2017.

What do I need to apply?

Review the Application for the type of project you are applying for to get a list of all required items.

How many Applications can I submit?

Only one Application per person/entity is accepted per year. The District may require additional supporting documents to clarify ownership.

How soon can I get my new equipment/engine?

After you accept the tentative award in April, the FRAQMD will conduct a pre-inspection of the old equipment/engine. If it passes the inspection the FRAQMD will mail you a legal contract to sign. After you return your signed contract you will receive a copy of the contract signed by all parties (about 2-4 weeks), then you can order your new equipment/engine.

How much will the grant cover?

It depends on the type of project. Off-road equipment replacement for agricultural tractors can pay up to 65% of the cost of the new equipment, and the maximum award amount is \$100,000. Check the Application for the project type you are interested in.

I bought a new tractor last year, can I qualify?

No, you have to have a signed contract and District authorization prior to ordering your new equipment.

The hour meter on my tractor is broken, can I qualify?

Maybe. The District strongly encourages applicants to have a working hour meter since it minimizes problems in the grant approval process. See the Application for other acceptable documentation- or repair/replace the hour meter and collect readings at least once per year for two years, then apply for the Program.

Can I turn in two old tractors for one new one?

The FRAQMD is not accepting "two for one" applications at this time.

How much funding will I get?

The funding amount depends on several factors. The project must meet the cost-effectiveness cap set by the Air Resources Board. The factors determining cost-effectiveness are emissions of the old engine, horsepower of the old and new engine, hours the old engine is operated, cost of the new engine/equipment, and the emissions reductions of the new engine is versus the old engine. The maximum award amount is \$100,000. In addition, each project type has restrictions on the maximum percentage (for example, off-road equipment replacement [farm tractors] will pay up to 65% of the cost of the new equipment). The FRAQMD will mail tentative award letters in April 2017.

I operate my off-road equipment in multiple counties, can I qualify?

As long as you operate in equipment in Yuba or Sutter counties for part of the year you can qualify, although 75% of the usage must be in California. You do need to list all of the counties that you operate in and the amount of time spent in each county.

I applied to the Carl Moyer Program last year, but was not offered funding. Does my Application roll over into this year or do I have to re-apply?

You need to reapply for the Program each year. The Application forms have been updated from last year's Program and you will need to get new quotes for the engine/equipment at the very least. If you are applying for the Off-Road Equipment Replacement Program you will need to submit the most recent two years of usage and ownership data as well.

Will the FRAQMD staff assist me with completing the Application?

Yes, after the public workshop on January 31, 2017, FRAQMD staff will be available to assist interested applicants with filing out their Applications. Call (530) 634-7659 ext 210 to set up an appointment (recommended over dropping in). Your new equipment dealer may also be able to help; many are very familiar with the program.

Still have questions? Attend the public workshop on January 31, 2017, at 10:00 am. The workshop will be held at the Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street in Marysville.