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Project Ranking and Recommended First Funding Awards Community Air Protection Program Year 3 Updated August 17, 2022

The Feather River Air Quality Management District has been awarded Community Air Protection (CAP) Incentive funding to implement a program to reduce exposure in communities most impacted by air pollution. For Year 3 of the CAP Incentive Program the District was awarded \$855,672.86 to allocate to projects according to the CAP Incentives 2019 Guidelines¹. The District has an additional \$76,422 from Moyer Year 23 State Reserve, \$21,940.33 transferred from another air district, \$4,373.23 interest, and \$85,935.47 from previous years remaining balance.

This memo recommends a project ranking and recommended funding for the first allocation of Year 3 funds. The District recommendation is done in accordance with the Policy and Procedures which states that:

The District will prioritize eligible projects based on the following criteria (from highest priority to lowest priority):

- a. Projects in disadvantaged communities addressing a primary community need as determined based on community engagement.
- b. Projects in low-income communities addressing a primary community need as determined based on community engagement.
- c. Projects located outside of disadvantaged communities and low-income communities that may benefit these communities.
- d. Eligible projects outside of disadvantaged communities and low-income communities.²

The community need based on community engagement was a preference towards projects that reduce emissions from agricultural equipment, heavy-duty trucks, school or transit buses, passenger vehicles, and construction equipment.

¹ Community Air Protection Incentives 2019 Guidelines, April 19, 2019, CARB

² Community Air Protection Incentives Policies and Procedures Manual, March 17, 2022, https://www.fragmd.org/files/ee1da63a9/Policy+and+Procedures+CAP+Incentives.pdf

The District must use at least \$684,538.29 of CAP Year 3 funds in a DAC.

Staff's funding recommendation is to provide at least \$684,538.29 to projects in a DAC, with 100% eligible funding to all criteria A projects and split remainder funding between Criteria B projects, as presented in Table 1. Out of 11 applications received, 9 are recommended for full or partial funding.

Table 1: Recommended Funding

Project #	Applicant	Description	Criteria	Amount
CAP3-1	City of Yuba City	Replace Wheel Loader in DAC	Α	\$11,685.00
CAP3-2	MJUSD	Replace 1998 school bus in DAC	A	\$165,000.00
CAP3-3	MJUSD	Replace 1998 school bus in DAC	Α	\$165,000.00
CAP3-4	MJUSD	Replace 1998 school bus in DAC	A	\$165,000.00
CAP3-5	MJUSD	Replace 1998 school bus in DAC	Α	\$165,000.00
CAP3-6	Yuba Environmental Science Charter Academy	Install zero-emission infrastructure (battery electric charging stations) in DAC	A	\$15,000.00
CAP3-11	Wheatland School District	Replace 1997 school bus in LIC	В	\$165,000.00
CAP3-9	Habitat for Humanity	Install zero-emission infrastructure (battery electric charging stations) in DAC	А	\$27,930.00
CAP3-10	City of Yuba City	Install zero-emission infrastructure (battery electric charging stations) in DAC	A	\$157,500.00
Total Award	ds Aug 17, 2022			\$1,037,115.00

The remaining two applications not recommended for funding are school bus replacements submitted by Wheatland High School (CAP3-8) and Wheatland School District (CAP3-7). The two buses are not used in Disadvantaged communities and the District cannot meet its DAC funding target if more that one bus project outside the DAC is awarded. Staff's recommendation is to fund the oldest bus of the three outside the DAC.

The projects in Table 1 would expend 93% of the CAP Year 3 funding in a Disadvantaged Community and 100% of the funding in a Disadvantaged or Low-Income

Community, exceeding the targets in grant agreement G19-MCAP-15-2, as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Meeting SB 535 and AB 1550 Targets

	Funding Targets	Amount Achieved	% CAP Year 3
SB 535	\$684,538.29	\$795,693.00	93%
AB 1550	\$702,090.55	\$855,672.86	100%

Projects should be completed and all funding expended by June 30, 2025.

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