FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM
04/02/2018

TO: FRAQMD BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: Christopher D. Brown, AICP, APCO

SUBJECT: Approve Resolution #2018-03 authorizing acceptance of a grant award up to $800,000 in project funding and associated administrative funding, and participation in the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) Rural Assistance Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution #2018-03 authorizing acceptance of the grant award.

BACKGROUND:

The Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program) provides funding to Air Districts for the purpose of reducing emissions by incentivizing the purchase of cleaner than required engines and equipment. The FRAQMD has administered the Carl Moyer Program for approximately 17 years.

The California Air Pollution Control Officer Associations (CAPCOA) assists rural air districts that do not have the staff or resources to solicit sufficient projects in order to spend all of their Carl Moyer Program funding. This is called the Rural Assistance Program (RAP). Interested applicants can apply through CAPCOA from any rural air district for funding. The projects are ranked based on cost-effectiveness (the most cost-effective project achieves a ton of emission reductions for the least amount of money).

DISCUSSION:

Several applicants applied to the Year 19 and 20 RAP from within the FRAQMD. Resolution #2018-03 is required by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in order to receive funding from RAP. After receiving the funding, FRAQMD will enter into contracts with Participants selected by CAPCOA and administer the grant awards as it would the regular Year 20 Carl Moyer Program projects.
CAPCOA has combined the award amounts for Program Years 19 and 20 for this solicitation and has $800,000 in total project funding available. The RAP timeline has accelerated this round and CAPCOA would like to award the projects and allocate the funding to respective districts quickly; thus the District staff are seeking a resolution to accept funding up to the maximum amount available. It is expected we would only receive a portion of the total funding.

The CAPCOA RAP projects will be selected on or around March 28th during the CAPCOA Rural Section Meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FRAQMD would be authorized to receive project funding up to $800,000 and associated administrative funding for Year 19 and 20 RAP projects.

ATTACHMENTS:

1 – Resolution 2017-12
Attachment 1 – Resolution 2018-03
RESOLUTION #2018-03 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE CALIFORNIA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICERS ASSOCIATION RURAL ASSISTANCE CARL MOYER MEMORIAL AIR QUALITY STANDARDS ATTAINMENT PROGRAM (YEAR 19 AND 20)

WHEREAS, the California Clean Air Act (CCAA) requires the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) to achieve and maintain ambient air quality standards for pollutants; and

WHEREAS, heavy-duty diesel engines are a significant source of criteria air pollutants, especially oxides of nitrogen, reactive organic gases, and particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has further identified fine particulates in the exhaust from diesel engines as a toxic air contaminant; and

WHEREAS, through the CARB, the State of California has adopted the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program); and

WHEREAS, the California Health and Safety Code sections 44275-44299.2 authorizes the CARB to allocate Carl Moyer Program funds to local air districts to provide financial incentives to both the public and private sectors to implement eligible projects to reduce emissions; and

WHEREAS, other rural Air Districts in California have allocated their Year 19 and Year 20 Grant Awards to the California Air Pollution Control Officer's Association (CAPCOA) Rural Assistance Carl Moyer Program, which has solicited project applications; and

WHEREAS, applicants located in FRAQMD have applied to CAPCOA for funding and this resolution would allow FRAQMD to accept the additional funding from CARB and enter into contracts with applicants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the FRAQMD authorizes participation in the CAPCOA Rural Assistance Carl Moyer Program (Year 19 and 20); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) is authorized to accept a grant disbursement from CARB for the CAPCOA Rural Assistance Program of approximately $800,000 in project and funds and associated administration funds; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the APCO is further authorized to enter into an agreement with the CARB for implementing a FRAQMD Carl Moyer Program by accepting projects selected by CAPCOA for funding, performing required inspections, entering into contracts with participants, and awarding grants in accordance with the Carl Moyer Program Guidelines, advisories, and mail outs provided by CARB.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Feather River Air Quality Management District on April 2, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Chairman

ATTEST: APPROVED FOR LEGAL FORM:

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