

FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MEMORANDUM  
04/07/2025

TO: FRAQMD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: Christopher D. Brown, AICP, APCO

SUBJECT: Approve the adoption of Resolution #2025-01 of the Board of Directors authorizing participation in the Climate Heat Impact Response Program, a grant award up to \$250,000, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the adoption of Resolution #2025-01 of the Board of Directors authorizing participation in the Climate Heat Impact Response Program, a grant award up to \$250,000, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

BACKGROUND:

On July 30, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed the Proclamation of a State of Emergency due to a projected energy supply shortage due to extreme heat, climate change, and infrastructure challenges which authorized the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to procure energy resources that would expand the energy supply, among other actions. The order allowed sources to operate above the permitted and regulatory limits during the State of Emergency. As part of this declaration, the Governor also directed the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to develop a state-funded mitigation plan for excess emissions generated by power sources that were allowed to operate beyond their permitted or regulated limits.

The District implements several grant programs locally to achieve emission reductions, including the Carl Moyer Program and Community Air Protection Incentives Program, which provide financial incentives to businesses and residents of Yuba and Sutter counties who choose to replace an older, high polluting engine with a new, emissions certified diesel engine, electric motor, or other clean, low-emission technology. The District's main project funding categories, historically, have been school bus replacements and off-road diesel equipment replacement projects.

DISCUSSION:

The District was chosen by DWR as the site of two new electricity generating turbines in 2021 as a result of the declaration, and worked to expedite permitting of the turbines in accordance with the Proclamation of a State of Emergency. After the emergency event was over, the District calculated the excess emissions generated by the two turbines

and provided the data to ARB, who provided a draft grant agreement to the District to receive funding to offset the excess emissions.

The draft allocation to the District is \$156,875.00. The District has requested a resolution to accept funding up to \$250,000 in case the final allocation exceeds the draft allocation. Administrative funding to pay for the District's staff time and expenses implementing the program will be included. Administrative funds will be 15% of grant project funding.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The CHIRP funding has not been included in the District 24/25 budget.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

A – Resolution 2025-01 Climate Heat Impact Response Program

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**RESOLUTION #2025-01 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE CLIMATE HEAT IMPACT  
RESPONSE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor Gavin Newsom signed the Proclamation of a State of Emergency on July 30, 2021, which directed the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to develop a state-funded mitigation plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the ARB developed the Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP) to mitigate the emissions caused by power sources that were allowed to operate beyond their permitted or regulated limits during the state of emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, Assembly Bill 205 (Stats. 2022, Ch. 61 (AB 205)) established the source of funding for CHIRP; and

**WHEREAS**, the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) contains one of the facilities where power sources operated beyond their permitted limits during the state of emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the ARB has selected FRAQMD for CHIRP funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the FRAQMD has successfully implemented grant projects in past years to reduce emissions and improve air quality and seeks to continue to reduce emissions through clean air projects; and

**WHEREAS** the FRAQMD has established Policies and Procedures to implement the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program) and the Community Air Protection Incentive Program (CAP Incentives Program).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors does hereby approve the FRAQMD's participation in the Climate Heat Impact Response Program, and the acceptance of funds allocated and awarded to the FRAQMD for eligible projects and program administration in accordance with the established Carl Moyer Program and CAP Incentives Program, and authorizes the Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) to execute required documents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors authorizes the APCO to accept up to \$250,000 in project and administrative funding from the CHRIP; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APCO will administer FRAQMD's CHIRP in accordance with the Carl Moyer Program and CAP Incentives Program Guidelines and Policies and Procedures; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APCO will be responsible for project monitoring and providing state reports regarding grant expenditures and the status of the program upon request by ARB.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Feather River Air Quality Management District on April 7, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Chairman

ATTEST:

APPROVED FOR LEGAL FORM:

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