

Legislation Text

Memorandum

April 28, 2020 Date:

To: The Honorable Moke Simon, Chair, Board of Directors

Douglas Gearhart, APCO From:

Subject (Sitting as Lake County Air Quality Management District Board of Directors) Authorize the APCO to sign the Grant Agreement, all other State program documents, grant recipient contracts, accept all AB617 Incentive Funds allocated for Lake County, and to implement the program.

Executive Summary:

The passage of AB617 Community Air Protection Program occurred in 2017, and AB 109 in 2017 provided funding to implement the program. Funds are appropriated from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Significant funds are going to other parts of the state where significant community impacts occur and large populations are exposed to significant air pollution. The Lake County AQMD will receive a small portion of incentive funds to reduce emissions in communities most heavily burdened by air pollution. We are currently allocated a total of \$138,194.45 and we will continue to pursue additional funds for Lake County as well.

The AB617 program is an overly paper heavy and legalistic process to implement and administer due to the funding source and reporting requirements of the State. We would like to receive these funds and utilize them to do community benefit projects, such as air filtration systems for schools, school transportation projects, composite wood products, diesel engine replacements, and potentially zero emissions lawn and garden equipment. These are categories defined by the State as potential project categories allowable for use of the funds.

Attached is the grant agreement, draft guidelines, and the grant provisions. The grant agreement does require significant reporting and documentation. By approving this, District staff will start the process setup by this program, including public meetings to obtain community input into project categories and priorities. We will likely start the public input and/or a community meeting after July 1, 2020 if the State has finalized the Grant Program Guidelines.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: NA_____ Amount Budgeted: _____ Additional Requested: _____ Future Annual Cost: ___

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Consistency with Vision 2028 and/or Fiscal Crisis Management Plan (check all that apply):	Not applicable
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If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:

Which exemption is being requested? How long has Agreement been in place? When was purchase last rebid? Reason for request to waive bid?

Recommended Action: Authorize the APCO to sign the Grant Agreement, all other State program documents, grant recipient contracts, accept all AB617 Incentive Funds allocated for Lake County, and to implement the program.