Establishing a Clean Air Fund Program

Board of Directors Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District

Our Mission: To protect the people and the environment of Santa Barbara County from the effects of air pollution.

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Las Flores Ranch Park, January 2019



Concept of Clean Air Fund

- Flexibility to fund programs outside of state guidelines (e.g., Carl Moyer)
- Funded with NOV revenues from mutual settlement program
- Initial funding amount of \$100,000
- Specific programs to be reviewed and approved by District Board
- Board report after program is completed





Project Examples

- Voluntary incentive programs that reduce emissions
- Air quality research projects or studies
- Purchase of air monitoring equipment or tools
- Community outreach projects
 or programs





Project Concept: Zero-Emission Landscaping Equipment

- Small off-road engines regulated by California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- Other Districts have incentive programs
- Community interest in reducing emissions from this sector
- Commercial landscapers
- Small and large businesses
- Benefits to employees, workers, residents
- CARB Road show concept
 - Loaned out to public entities
 - Currently in SCAQMD area
 - May be coming to SB County UCSB





Zero-Emission Equipment for Grounds Maintenance

ZEE Roadshow: Switching to electric lawn and garden equipment can save money and reduce noise and air pollution. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has put together a trailer with a few readily available brands of zeroemission equipment (ZEE) for grounds maintenance, so organizations can test them before investing.



Recommendation

Adopt resolution establishing the Clean Air Fund Program

Next Steps:

- Expenses will be included in FY 19-20 budget
- Staff will return with a proposed program to expend those funds



Questions?

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