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APPROVED MINUTES

Summary of Board of Directors
Mobile Source & Climate Impacts Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 25, 2021

This meeting was conducted under procedures authorized by executive order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom. Members of the committee participated by teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Mobile Source & Climate Impacts Committee (Committee) Co-Chairperson, David Canepa, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Present: Co-Chairpersons David Canepa and Katie Rice; Vice Chair Rob Rennie; and Directors Margaret Abe-Koga, Pauline Russo Cutter, John Gioia, Lynda Hopkins, David Hudson, and Karen Mitchoff.

Absent: Directors Davina Hurt and Lori Wilson.

Also Present: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Climate Protection Committee Meeting of November 19, 2020

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Mobile Source Committee Meeting of December 3, 2020

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

None.

Committee Action

Director Hudson made a motion, seconded by Director Cutter, to **approve** the Minutes of the Climate Protection Committee meeting of November 19, 2020 and the Minutes of the Mobile Source Committee meeting of December 3, 2020; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Canepa, Cutter, Gioia, Hudson, Mitchoff, Rennie, Rice.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: Abe-Koga, Hopkins
ABSENT: Hurt, Wilson.

4. PROJECTS AND CONTRACTS WITH PROPOSED GRANT AWARDS OVER \$100,000

Alona Davis, Air Quality Program Manager, gave the staff presentation *Projects and Contracts with Proposed Awards over \$100,000*, including: outcome; outline; requested action; Carl Moyer Program (CMP)/Mobile Source Incentive Fund (MSIF), Community Health Protection Program (CHP), and Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER); Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA); incentive funding awarded and recommended since July 2020 by revenue source, project category, and county; and feedback requested/prompt.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed what happens to the equipment and vehicles that are replaced with cleaner versions within a given project that is awarded funds; whether the applicants are asked to match the awarded grant amount; the costs savings for school districts that transition from gas to electric buses; and the need to educate the public about the environmental and economic benefits of transitioning from fossil fuels to electrification.

Committee Action

Director Hudson made a motion, seconded by Director Gioia, to **approve** the award of the Carl Moyer Program and Transportation Fund for Clean Air Program funding to projects with proposed grant awards in excess of \$100,000, waiving TFCA policies to fund an electric school bus project, and authorizing the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) to execute grant agreements for the recommended projects; and the motion carried by the following vote of the Committee:

AYES: Abe-Koga, Canepa, Cutter, Gioia, Hopkins, Hudson, Mitchoff, Rennie, Rice.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Hurt, Wilson.

5. REPORT ON AIR DISTRICT GRANT PROGRAMS AND FUNDS AWARDED IN 2020

Damian Breen, Senior Deputy Executive Officer of Operations introduced Karen Schkolnick, Director of Strategic Incentives Division, who gave the staff presentation *Air District Grant Programs Overview*, including: outcome; outline; action requested; background; funds awarded in 2020; emissions reduced and community benefits; grant funds: trends 2011-2021; project grant revenue in Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2021; 2021 grant program priorities; opportunities and challenges; and feedback requested/prompt.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Committee Comments

The Committee and staff discussed a growing interest in hydrogen fueling stations, the request to prioritize hydrogen bus fueling infrastructure, and whether such projects are eligible for the Air District's Climate Tech Financing Program; the manner in which new regulation deadlines for different equipment types are phased into the grant programs; the Air District's position on cities and counties using land use authority to restrict developments to zero emission vehicles (ZEV) only, and whether such project are eligible for grant funding; whether backup generator, solar, or battery backup projects (residential and commercial) are eligible for grant funding, and the suggestion that the Air District's Legislative Committee prioritizes the development for such legislation, if not; additional full time equivalent Air District staffing needs for 2021 and whether the grants cover additional staffing; and the request for projected available funding for 2022.

Committee Action

None; receive and file.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS

No requests received.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

8. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., via webcast, pursuant to procedures authorized by Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards