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Air District offers \$12 million to reduce diesel engine pollution

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is seeking application proposals for the Carl Moyer grant program, to reduce ozone-forming and toxic air emissions from older heavy-polluting diesel equipment.

Eligible diesel powered equipment includes off-road and agricultural equipment, marine vessels, locomotives, and non-port medium and heavy duty diesel trucks.

“Reducing emissions from diesel engines is one of the most important public health challenges facing communities throughout the Bay Area,” said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. “This grant program is a cost-effective strategy that allows us to quickly reduce air pollution from older, polluting diesel equipment to protect public health in our communities.”

The Carl Moyer Program is a state-wide program in partnership with the California Air Resources Board, managed regionally by the Air District. It provides funding to switch out older, high-polluting diesel engines in order to reduce air pollution.

This funding will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to owners of eligible equipment or vehicles. Funding is available for the following projects:

- Projects that replace older diesel equipment with newer and cleaner equipment
- Retrofit projects that install verified emission control devices
- Repower projects that replace older engines with newer and cleaner engines

The Air District will accept applications for projects throughout its nine-county San Francisco Bay Area jurisdiction but will prioritize projects that reduce emissions in communities that are significantly impacted by air pollution.

Highest priority will be given to areas that are more highly impacted by air pollution. This includes portions of Concord, Richmond/San Pablo, Western Alameda County, San Jose, Livermore, Eastern San Francisco, San Rafael, Vallejo and Antioch/Pittsburg.

Air District staff are available to answer questions about the application process and grant requirements. For more information about the grant program or to start an application online, the public should visit the Air District website at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/moyer> or call 415-749-4961.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (www.baaqmd.gov) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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