

Clean HEET Program



APPLICANTS – PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR CONTRACTOR(S) PRIOR TO HIRING THEM TO ENSURE THEY ARE ABLE TO MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS

The Clean Heating Efficiently with Electric Technology, or **Clean HEET** incentive program, was developed by the Bay Area Air District to encourage homeowners to replace qualifying wood and pellet-burning devices and open-hearth fireplaces with electric heat pumps to help reduce wood smoke pollution and improve air quality. Older wood stoves and open-hearth fireplaces may be eligible for a decommission-only option.

All removal, decommissioning, and installation work must be performed by a contractor who is licensed with the State of California. Use this website to find a licensed contractor: <u>Consumer -CSLB (ca.gov)</u>

All contractors installing an electric heat pump must possess a minimum of a *C20 Warm-Air Heating, Ventilating, and Air-Conditioning Contractor* or a *B* (*General Building*) license for heat pump installation. Additional licenses, such as a *C29 Masonry* or *C10 Electrical* may be required depending on the type of work being performed, and more than one contractor may be needed per project.

For complete program requirements please visit: <u>www.baaqmd.gov/WoodSmokeGrant</u>

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS

Contractors must provide the property owner with a quote for the project work in advance of project approval.

Contractors must provide the property owner with an itemized invoice or receipt showing a zero balance upon payment.

Contractors decommissioning a freestanding stove or insert must render the device permanently unusable (for example, creating a hole in the firebox) and must dispose of the device at a licensed dismantler/recycling facility.

For projects involving an open-hearth fireplace or insert, contractors must permanently decommission the fireplace by either removing the fireplace structure or permanently sealing it. Fireplace sealing must involve: 1) installing a chimney cap or permanent weather-proof seal to the flue and 2) sealing the fireplace opening with materials such as tile, drywall, or another permanent alternative. *Temporary methods, such as a balloon insert in the chimney or fireplace plug, do not meet the requirements.*

Contractors must fill out and sign a <u>Contractor Certification Form</u> after work is completed to provide the following information:

- Contractor business information, including CA contractor license number
- Confirmation of property where work was performed
- Brief description of work performed
- For contractors installing a heat pump,
 - o description of heat pump installed
 - o coefficient of performance
 - o heating seasonal performance factor

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- For contractors decommissioning/disposing of existing stove or insert,
 - o description of device removed
 - o description of method used to render device permanently inoperable
 - o if applicable, description of method used to render fireplace permanently inoperable
 - o name of dismantler/recycling facility where device has been disposed of
- Contractor's signature attestation that the form has been accurately filled out