



Mendocino County Board of Supervisors Agenda Summary

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Air Quality Management District

Meeting Date: March 23, 2021

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Item Type: Regular Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 15 Min

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Including Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Air Quality Management District to Participate in the State FARMER Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2019-20 (Funding Year 3); and Acceptance of Program Funds for FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool-Selected Projects and Adherence to the Requirements of the Program
(Sponsor: Air Quality Management District)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Adopt Resolution authorizing the Air Quality Management District to participate in the State FARMER Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2019-20 (Funding Year 3); to accept funds as allocated; follow the requirements of the Program; and authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

Approval of the District's Participation in the FARMER Grant Program (FY 2017-18 (Year 1) on April 9, 2019; Approval of Amended and restated Memorandum of Understanding #19-122-A1, and the District's Participation in the FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool for FY 2018-19 (Year 2) on May 19, 2020.

Summary of Request:

For Fiscal Year 2019-20, the State Legislature allocated \$65 million to the California Air Resources Board (ARB) for grant funds to districts under the FARMER Grant Program to provide incentives for the agricultural community to reduce emissions from heavy-duty diesel equipment, with \$4.6 million allocated to the FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool. The FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool is administered by Placer County Air Pollution Control District through an agreement with the California Air Resources Board and with individual Air Districts. The FARMER Grant Program utilizes the 2018 Carl Moyer Program Guidelines and project criteria in addition to the 2019 FARMER Policies & Procedures. The Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding #19-122-A1 requires that the District submit applications for projects directly to the FARMER Shared Allocation Pool Administrator for evaluation and selection of funding.

In March 2020, the District solicited applications for FARMER Grant Program projects and received 22 applications. In accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Amended and Restated Memorandum of Understanding, the District submitted 10 eligible project applications to Placer County APCD for consideration of funding for Year 3 FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool. The attached list contains the ten

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eligible applications submitted to the FARMER Shared Allocation Pool Grant Administrator, and highlights the one project selected for Year 3 funding up to \$21,480. The Air Resources Board requires a resolution from the District Board authorizing the District to participate in the FARMER Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Funding Year 3), to accept Program funds for selected projects, and to follow the requirements of the Program.

The District is requesting that the District Board adopt a resolution authorizing the District to participate in the FARMER Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Funding Year 3), accept FARMER Year 3 funds for the FARMER Grant Program Shared Allocation Pool-selected project, and follow the requirements of the Program.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Not approve the District's participation in the FARMER Grant Program for FY 2019-20 (Funding Year 3), and direct District staff to decline grant funds allocated and deny the selected project.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At:

[<https://arb.ca.gov/ag/agincentives/farmerguidelines.pdf>](https://arb.ca.gov/ag/agincentives/farmerguidelines.pdf)

<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/guidelines-carl-moyer>

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: state FARMER Grant Funds Year 3 **budgeted in current f/y:** N/A

current f/y cost: Revenue, \$21,480

if no, please describe:

annual recurring cost: N/A

revenue agreement: N/A

budget clarification: FARMER Program Trust Account

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Steve Dunncliff, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: March 25, 2021

Final Status: Adopted

Executed Item Type: Resolution Number: 21-043

