



# **SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS (SEP) PROGRAM**

Community Outreach and Enforcement Section  
(COES)

# CARB's SEP Program

SEPs are community-based projects funded from a portion of the penalties received during CARB settlement of enforcement actions.



Improve public and community health



Reduce emissions and/or exposure



Increase environmental compliance



Raise public awareness through education

# SEP Policy Project Categories

- Pollution Prevention or Reduction
- Environmental Restoration and Protection
- Environmental Education or Compliance Training
- Community Monitoring
- Trans-Boundary
- Other (accepted on a case-by-case basis)

# SEP Policy Criteria



Reduce direct or indirect air emissions and the public's exposure to air pollution



Improve the environment



Relate to the violation and not benefit the violator

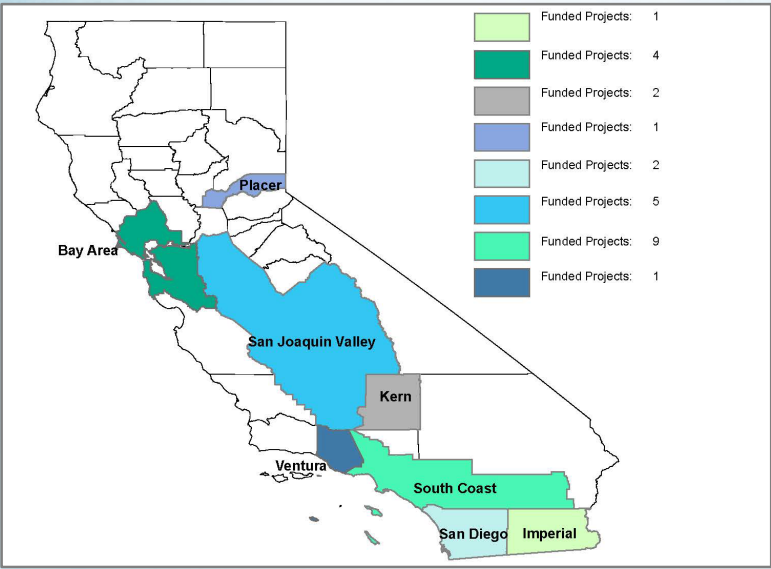


Go above and beyond federal, State, and local regulatory requirements



Be technically, economically, and legally feasible

# SEPs Funded by County (2017-2019)



## SEP Categories:

- Pollution Prevention
- Environmental Restoration
- Environmental Education
- Community Monitoring
- Other (Exposure Reduction)

Total amount committed/funded: \$8.6 Million

# Examples of SEPs in Funded in California



Paid environmental education internships



School air filtration systems



Planting trees



School environmental education programs



Conducting research (e.g., air monitoring, truck traffic survey)



Writing articles to inform community about air pollution and resources

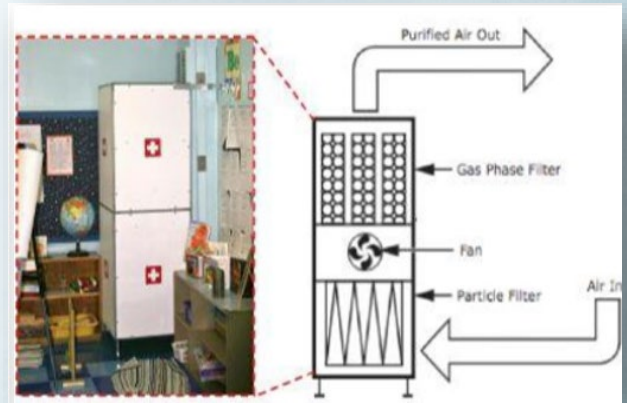
# SEP Highlight: BreathMobile



- A free mobile asthma clinic
- Serves pre-school and K - 12 school aged children with asthma
- Visits every 4 - 6 weeks
- Provides full service asthma evaluation, treatment, and education
- 283 patients seen

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- South Coast Air Quality Management District is partnering with IQAir
- Install and maintain high-performance air filtration systems in schools located in disadvantaged communities
- Reduce the amount of PM in classrooms of disadvantaged communities





# How to Apply

- To submit a Supplemental Environmental Project proposal form, go to <https://calepa.ca.gov/sep-proposal-form/>
- Contact CARB SEP Team to request SEP Proposal Form

# SEP Proposal

SEP proposals must include:

- Organization name and contact information of the SEP administrator
- Project name, location, and detailed description
- Environmental issue to be addressed by the project
- Environmental benefits
- Estimated project cost and timeline
- If partnering with another agency, SEP proposal must include a support letter.

Air-related CalEPA proposals will be sent to CARB for evaluation to determine if the project meets CARB's Supplemental Environmental Policy Selection Criteria.

# Funding Process



# Funding Process (Full versus Partial)

- **Full funding:** When a violator selects a SEP for full funding, the proposal is removed from the available SEP list.
- **Partial funding:** If the proposal is selected for partial funding, the remaining amount is updated on the available SEP list and continues to be available for selection.

# Reporting Requirements

## Quarterly reports

- Must include **expenditure reports** for the length of the project which are expected to match the budget submitted in the SEP Proposal.

## Final report

- Must include narrative of **accomplishments and challenges** encountered during the implementation of the project.

# SEP Program Contact Information

## SEP Team

- Team contacts

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