

# CLEAN OFF-ROAD EQUIPMENT VOUCHER INCENTIVE PROGRAM (CORE) PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPERS

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### **CORE - PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPERS**

### Agenda

- CORE background
- Workgroup June 2, 2022
- Proposed purchaser participation requirements
- Proposed eligible equipment types and voucher amounts
- Stacking of additional funds
- Proposed dealer requirements



### WHAT IS CORE?

### Originally launched in 2020

Freight equipment only

#### For 2022 CORE adds:

- Expand to other off-road equipment types
- Small business and sole proprietary Professional Landscapers

#### General overview

- Offset the incremental cost of zero-emission technology
- First-come, first-served
- No scrappage



### **GENERAL TIMELINE**

CORE

IM Update & Manufacturer/Dealer Open July 18th

Summer Vouchers Open

Land scaping

Workgroup 1

Workgroup 2 Workgroup 3 IM Update & M/D Open

Early Fall Vouchers Open

Manufacturer, Dealer, and Purchaser Meetings

Ongoing purchaser outreach



### CORE PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPER EQUIPMENT FUNDING

### SB 170 Directed \$30M funding for Professional Landscapers

- Small business or sole proprietor owners
- Professional landscapers
- For the purchase commercial zero-emission landscape equipment



### WORKGROUP MEETING #1 COMMENTS

- Requiring scrap (destruction of equipment)
- Dedicated regional funding
- Replacing "dirtier" equipment first
- Noise of zero-emission equipment
- Outreach



## SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM DEFINITION

Gov. Code Section 14837 (d)(1)(A)

- 100 or fewer employees, and
- \$15,000,000 average annual gross receipts previous three years

### Proposal to adjustment for CORE Professional Landscaper

Only use employee size

- 10 or less (for the first six months)
- Open to microbusinesses after

Microbusiness definition - Gov. Code Section 14837 (d)(2)

- \$2.5 Million or less over previous three years
- Less than 25 employees



# EQUIPMENT PURCHASERS MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF BUSINESS STATUS

- 1. State contractor's license
- 2. State professional landscape license (C-27)
- 3. Business tax ID
- 4. Personal tax ID
- 5. Dealer attestation



### HOW TO PARTICIPATE PURCHASER

- Work with an approved dealer
- First-Come, First-Serve
- Select from eligible zero-emission equipment list only
- Point-of-Sale Transaction
  - Limited paperwork
- Three-year California ownership commitment
- No scrap or "turning in" of equipment is required



### CORE ELIGIBLE EQUIPMENT

### Only eligible equipment will be funded

- Manufacturer must apply for equipment to be eligible
- Equipment must be commercial grade
- Once eligible, equipment will be listed on CORE website
- Equipment must have a minimum warranty
  - Proposing a minimum two-year commercial warranty for battery and equipment
- Manufacturers must provide equipment service support
  - Equipment can be removed from eligibility based on performance



## PROPOSED EQUIPMENT AND VOUCHERS FOR HANDHELD EQUIPMENT

Equipment Type*	Proposed Voucher**	Proposed Battery/Charger Enhancement***
Edger, String Trimmer, Chainsaw, Pole Saw	\$200	Low Capacity up to \$400 High Capacity up to \$1,000
Leaf Blower and Vacuum	\$250	Low Capacity up to \$400 High Capacity up to \$1,200

<sup>\*</sup> Per tool or with battery/charger combo by manufacturer

Proposed funding cap of \$100,000 annually per purchaser



<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on 70% of purchase price

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Additional battery and charger

## PROPOSED EQUIPMENT AND VOUCHERS FOR MOWERS (WITH BATTERY)

Equipment Type	Proposed Voucher (based on purchase price)	Proposed Voucher Max Per Unit
Walk Behind Mower	70%	\$1,750
Ride-on Stand-ride Mower	70%	\$15,000
Additional Batteries and Charger	100%	Two (2) cartridge type or high capacity battery One (1) charger

Proposed funding cap of \$100,000 annually per purchaser



### **CO-FUNDING (STACKING)**

### CORE allows combining funding from other sources

### Manufacturers

Subject to eligible equipment

#### **Dealers**

Dealers would be trained to identify co-funding opportunities

### **Purchasers**

- Subject to conditions in all funding sources
- Other sources could require scrap



### **EXAMPLE OF CO-FUNDING**

Equipment Type	String trimmer, Chainsaw, Pole Saw	
CORE	70%	
Co-funding	30%	
Total Cost Covered	100%*	

\*= Sales taxes not included



### **Additional Co-Funding Opportunities**

### **Carl Moyer Program**

- Currently updating guidelines
- Eligibility
  - Commercial Lawn and Garden Equipment Users
- Apply through local air district
- Scrap of old equipment required



### Proposed Moyer Lawn and Garden Updates

- Expansion of Equipment Categories Beyond lawn mowers to handheld equipment and riding lawn mowers.
- Addition of Commercial Applicants Beyond residential entities to include large and small businesses, municipalities, and institutions.
- Addition of Co-funding Language Propose criteria to facilitate co-funding with CORE funds.



## HOW TO PARTICIPATE DEALERS

### DEALERS MUST BE TRAINED TO PARTICIPATE

- Only approved dealers are allowed in CORE
- Program administrator provides dealer participation training
- Provides equipment service and support to purchasers
- Manufactures should provide workforce training and development
- Dealers should receive ongoing training
- Provides user training and education



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