

# Clean Off-Road Equipment Voucher Incentive Project (CORE) - Professional Landscapers

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## **CORE – Professional Landscape**

#### Agenda

- 1. Background overview
- 2. Previous workgroups feedback and comments
- 3. Final Implementation Manual: Attachment D
- 4. Voucher examples
- 5. How to participate
- 6. Next steps



## **CORE Background**

#### **General Overview**

- Funding to offset the higher cost of new, zero-emission equipment
- Completed at the time of purchase
- First-Come, First-Served
- No scrappage of existing equipment

#### **Originally for Freight**

- Expanded in 2022 to include other off-road equipment types
  - Professional Landscape (SB 170)
  - Small business and sole proprietor professional landscapers



## Final CORE Implementation Manual (IM) - Attachment D Overview

- Microbusiness: \$10 million set aside for 180 calendar days
- Incentive amount based on 70% of equipment MSRP\* cost
- \$25,000 per eligible purchaser
- Allows funding for multiple batteries



<sup>\*</sup> MSRP – manufacturer suggested retail price

## **CORE IM - Attachment D Updates**

- Divided equipment types
- Clarified battery/charging equipment
- Added < and > 700Wh battery options
- Up to two power management systems (\$5,000 each) per participant
- Utilize a battery recycling program
- Purchaser is a single contact
- Dealer physically located in California



## Voucher Amounts: Eligible Professional Landscape Equipment

1. ELIGIBLE EQUIPMENT AND VOUCHER AMOUNTS	
EQUIPMENT TYPE <sup>5</sup>	BASE VOUCHER AMOUNT
Edgers	Up to \$300 per tool (Bare tool or combination packaging)
Hedgers	
String Trimmers	
Chainsaws	
Pole Saws	
Vacuums	
Handheld Leaf Blowers	
Backpack Leaf Blowers	Up to \$400
Walk-behind Mowers	Up to \$1,250
Ride-on/Stand-ride Mowers <sup>6</sup>	Up to \$12,500



## Voucher Amounts: Batteries and Chargers

EQUIPMENT TYPE	VOUCHER AMOUNT
EQUIPMENT TIPE	VOOCHER AMOUNT
Batteries < 700Wh	Up to \$1,000 per base voucher
Batteries ≥700Wh	Up to \$3,000 per base voucher
Charger <sup>7</sup>	Up to \$5,000 per base voucher
Power Management Equipment <sup>8</sup>	Up to \$5,000 total per purchaser
Up to \$1,000 for batteries with <700Wh of	energy capacity, per tool so base voucher
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Up to \$3,000 for batteries with ≥700Wh of	energy capacity, per tool so base voucher
One charger up to \$5,00	0 per tool base voucher <sup>9</sup>
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### **Voucher Amounts: Criteria**

- Voucher amounts are based on 70% of Manufacturer Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) in CORE eligible equipment catalog
- Up to two power management devices, up to \$5,000 total, per purchaser
- Funding is capped at \$25,000 per eligible purchaser<sup>10</sup>
- Equipment must be sold at no less than MSRP indicated in the CORE Eligible
   Equipment Catalog
- Stacking funds must not exceed 100% of the total cost of equipment
- Eligible equipment must be purchased from an approved CORE Dealer
- Eligible equipment must be listed in the current CORE Eligible Equipment
   Catalog



## **CORE Pro Landscape Voucher Example**

#### **Backpack Blower**

• 70% MSRP up to \$400

#### **Batteries**

- >700Wh batteries
- 70% MSRP up to \$3,000

#### Charger

- Charger (one per tool)
- 70% MSRP up to \$5,000

#### **Power Management System**

Up to two per purchaser



## Manufacturer Steps To Participate:

#### MANUFACTURER MUST APPLY TO PARTICIPATE

**Step 1:** Equipment application process is found in CORE IM - Attachment D "Professional Landscaping Equipment Eligibility Application"

- Must submit equipment data for evaluation
- Step 2: CARB determines if equipment meets eligibility criteria
- **Step 3:** Eligible equipment will be listed on the CORE website in the CORE Eligible Equipment Catalog
- Workforce training and development
- Must provide equipment support



## Dealer Steps To Participate:

#### DEALERS MUST RECEIVE TRAINING APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE

**Step 1:** Dealer must take the CORE Dealer Training Quiz and receive a score of 100 percent

Dealer has multiple attempts to pass the quiz.

Step 2: Dealer must submit the required documents

- Signed Dealer Terms & Conditions
- o W-9 form
- Manufacturer letter authorizing each dealer to sell CORE eligible equipment
   Step 3: Dealer must attend the Dealer Information Session Training.



## Purchaser Steps To Participate:

PURCHASER MUST USE CORE ELIGIBLE DEALERS

Voucher must be issued prior to final payment and delivery of equipment.

- **Step 1:** Purchaser contacts CORE Approved Dealer to purchase CORE Eligible Equipment
- **Step 2:** Purchaser selects eligible equipment. Dealer completes the Voucher Request Form on behalf of the Purchaser
- Purchaser provides proof of professional business supporting documentation
- Purchaser signs Terms & Conditions
- Step 3: Purchaser is issued a Voucher and must pay remaining balance
- Step 4: Equipment is delivered to purchaser
- Step 5: Purchaser receives operator training from dealer



## **Next Steps**

- Incorporate final comments
- Open for manufacturer equipment and dealer applications
- Open for vouchers

