

To: Air Pollution Control Officers

From: Maritess Sicat
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Subject: SOLICITATION FOR APPLICATIONS TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM THE CARL MOYER MEMORIAL AIR QUALITY STANDARDS ATTAINMENT PROGRAM: FISCAL YEAR (FY) - 2023-2024 (YEAR 26) FUNDS - APPLICATIONS DUE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023.

This memo solicits applications for FY 2023-2024 (Year 26) grants from the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program). All California Air Pollution Control and Air Quality Management Districts may apply for these grants funded by smog abatement and tire fees.

For Year 26, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) estimates, based on authority and projected Carl Moyer Program district project and administration funds for FY 2023-2024, approximately \$123 million will be available for grants to districts under regular Carl Moyer Program and State Reserve funds. The tentative allocation of regular Carl Moyer Program funds reflects updated information on air district populations and air pollution severity under the requirements of Health and Safety Code section 44299.2. The share of district funds available for Carl Moyer Program administration reflects current statutory allowances. A district may, however, request a lower administrative portion and retain the difference in project funds.

A response to the solicitation notice must be received by Tuesday, November 14, 2023 and should include the completed and signed application. Attached to this notice is the tentative allocation table and application form. The solicitation package includes attachments that you will need to complete your application:

- Attachment 1 provides districts' tentative funding allocations for regular Carl Moyer Program funds.
- Attachment 2 is the solicitation application form. Districts must complete and return this form to receive or designate funds. (<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/administrative-forms-carl-moyer-program-community-air-protection-incentives>)

Tentative and Final Grant Amounts

Attachment 1 provides the tentative grant amounts available by district and the corresponding match commitment. **Note that these tentative allocations are based on a preliminary estimate of revenues for the Carl Moyer Program and should not be used in board resolutions.** Final allocations will be calculated by applying the formula described in Health and Safety Code section 44299.2, with consideration of the final revenue (estimate expected in November-December 2023), the number of districts that apply and funds requested.

Match Requirement

A district's match requirement is 15 percent of its allocation, except those districts requesting the minimum allocation of \$200,000, which are exempt from a match requirement. A district may apply for more than the tentative allocation, with a matching funds commitment of 15 percent. If you need assistance with determining your match requirement, you may contact your Carl Moyer Program liaison or Ms. Deborah Paselk using the contact information at the end of this memorandum.

Designations

A district may choose to designate the minimum allocation to the Rural District Assistance Program (RAP), or its tentative allocation to a lead air district. The district may make these designations in the application, for the current Year 26.

In responding to this solicitation, districts may take one of the following actions:

- 1. Accept your grant award and request a reservation of funds equal to or greater than your tentative allocation, or accept an amount less than your grant award and request a reservation of funds for the amount desired.**

To participate in the Carl Moyer Program, accept the grant award, and reserve an allocation, districts must submit the following:

- Application - A completed application form signed and dated by the district's Air Pollution Control Officer or authorized designee. Please complete all applicable sections of the application, even if the district requests a lower administration portion of the total grant.

If requesting additional funds, beyond your tentative allocation, or accepting an amount less than your tentative allocation but greater than the minimum (\$200,000), please use Section 2, second row. If the amount will be less than your tentative allocation, please indicate this on your district's email to CARB with a cc to your Carl Moyer Program liaison.

- District Board Resolution/Board Minute Order (BMO) - The district board resolution/BMO must commit to participate in the Carl Moyer Program, accept Carl Moyer Program funds, and follow the requirements of the Carl Moyer Program. Because allocations in Attachment 1 are tentative and final allocations will differ, the resolution/BMO should not specify an exact grant amount unless district board policy requires it, in which case a not-to-exceed figure should be used. A district resolution/BMO should accompany the signed application. If a district is unable to provide a resolution/BMO at the time of application, the district must indicate on the application the scheduled board date, while considering any applicable timing mentioned in the Moyer Guidelines. Should a district require a model resolution, please contact your Carl Moyer Program liaison for additional assistance.
- District Match Funds - Districts can meet the 15 percent match obligation through local funds tied to a combination of (1) already committed projects not used as match for a previous grant, (2) future projects, and (3) contribution of in-kind administration limited to not more than 15 percent of the total match commitment. All projects used to meet match requirements must be eligible under current Carl Moyer Program guidelines. Already committed match projects must be entered or uploaded to the Carl Moyer Program Clean Air Reporting Log (CARL) by the application deadline.
- Policies and Procedures Manual - In signing the application the district Air Pollution Control Officer or designee confirms that an up-to-date district Carl Moyer Program Policies and Procedures Manual is maintained at the district's office. The manual or recent changes to it need not be submitted with the application but should be made available for review upon request.

2. Designate your tentative allocation to a lead district, or your minimum allocation of \$200,000 to RAP.

Districts opting to designate funds to a lead district or RAP must submit the following:

- Application - An original application form signed and dated by the district's Air Pollution Control Officer or authorized designee. Please complete Sections 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7.
- District Board Resolution/BMO - A district board resolution to authorize designation of Moyer Program funds to a lead district or the Rural Assistance Program for the year you have specified in your application. A district

resolution/BMO should accompany the signed application. If a district is unable to provide a resolution/BMO at the time of application, the district must indicate on the application the scheduled board date, while considering any applicable timing mentioned in the Moyer Guidelines. Should a district require a model resolution, please contact your Carl Moyer Program liaison for additional assistance.

3. Decline the Funds

- Districts that choose not to participate in the Carl Moyer Program for Year 26 are asked to complete sections 1, 2, and 7 of the application form, including signature by the Air Pollution Control Officer.

Please send your completed application by e-mail to MSCDGrants@arb.ca.gov. CARB will assume a district has declined Year 26 funds if an application is not submitted to CARB by Tuesday, November 14, 2023 and has not previously designated funds.

The Carl Moyer Program 2017 Guidelines are available electronically at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/guidelines/current.htm>; see Sections B and C of Chapter 3 for guidelines related to the solicitation and application. For questions about the application process, please contact your Carl Moyer Program liaison or Ms. Deborah Paselk, Moyer Administration Lead, via email at Deborah.Paselk@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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