



DATE: February 21, 2018 Mail-Out #MSC 18-08

TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE LOW CARBON TRANSPORTATION

GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION FUND (GGRF) INVESTMENTS

AGRICULTURAL WORKER VANPOOLS PILOT PROJECT

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is pleased to announce a grant solicitation for an administrator to implement the Agricultural Worker Vanpools Pilot Project for FY 2016-17 and 2017-18. This is one of a suite of CARB-funded equity pilot projects that, together with committed partners, are employing innovative solutions to bring the benefits of clean transportation to low-income Californians and disadvantaged communities that are most impacted by pollution.

The current funding available for this competitive solicitation is \$6 million—\$3 million in FY 2016-17 funds that must be spent in the San Joaquin Valley and \$3 million in FY 2017-18 funds prioritized in the San Joaquin Valley, while allowing expansion to other disadvantaged communities if appropriate. This pilot project is funded by the Low Carbon Transportation program and is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment—particularly in disadvantaged communities.

This competitive solicitation is open to federal, State, or local government entities, other California-based public entities, or for non-profit organizations that have tax-exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service under Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (only 501(c)(3) organizations are allowed) and are also tax-exempt under California state law. Applications are due to CARB no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST) on Friday, March 23, 2018. The grant solicitation and all associated documents may be found on CARB's webpage at: www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm.

CARB staff will hold an Applicant Teleconference to answer questions regarding this grant solicitation on Thursday, March 8, 2018. Please submit questions by email to kimya.lambert@arb.ca.gov by 5:00 p.m. (PST), Monday, March 5, 2018. The Applicant Teleconference will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements.

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Please see details for the Applicant Teleconference below:

Date: Thursday, March 8, 2018 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (PST)

*Call-in Number: 1-(800)-369-1981

*Passcode: 6122754

*Note: Call-in numbers and passcodes may change. Should a change occur, the new call-in number and passcode will be listed on CARB's webpage at:

www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm. Potential applicants are encouraged to confirm the call-in number and passcode by visiting the listed website prior to each teleconference.

The questions and answers from the Applicant Teleconference and any questions received via email will be posted on the CARB webpage at: www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm. CARB will not respond to questions regarding this solicitation after the Applicant Teleconference has taken place.

The grant solicitation and all associated documents may be found on CARB's webpage at: www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm .

More information on CARB clean transportation incentive projects may be found on the Moving California webpage at: www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/lct/movingca.htm .

For more information about the Clean Transportation Incentives and other projects, please visit http://www.arb.ca.gov/aqip.

Background

The overarching goal of the Agricultural Worker Vanpools Pilot Project is to reduce GHG emissions and also achieve other co-benefits by providing access to advanced technology vehicle vanpools for agricultural workers in disadvantaged communities, with a focus on the San Joaquin Valley. Disadvantaged communities are identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency's California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool 3.0 (CalEnviroScreen 3.0) that assesses all census tracts in the State to identify areas disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to multiple sources of pollution. The project will result in immediate emission reduction benefits and allow residents of these communities to become familiar with advanced technology vehicles without the responsibility of vehicle ownership costs.

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Contact

For questions regarding the Agricultural Worker Vanpools Pilot Project or the Applicant Teleconference, please contact Ms. Kimya Lambert, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 323-2507 or by email at kimya.lambert@arb.ca.gov.

Special Accommodations

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format (i.e. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Ms. Stella Ling-Taylor, Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 322-6369 or by email at stella.lingtaylor@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than ten business days before the scheduled meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

Consecuente con la sección 7296.2 del Código de Gobierno de California, una acomodación especial o necesidades lingüísticas pueden ser suministradas para cualquiera de los siguientes:

- Un intérprete que esté disponible en la audiencia.
- Documentos disponibles en un formato alterno u otro idioma.
- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

Para solicitar estas comodidades especiales o necesidades de otro idioma, por favor llame a la oficina del Consejo al (916) 324-0342 o envié un fax a (916) 327-8524 lo más pronto posible, pero no menos de 10 días de trabajo antes del día programado para la audiencia del Consejo. TTY/TDD/Personas que necesiten este servicio pueden marcar el 711 para el Servicio de Retransmisión de Mensajes de California.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jack Kitowski, Chief Mobile Source Control Division

Attachments (4)

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Kimya Lambert Air Pollution Specialist Mobile Source Control Division

Stella Ling Taylor Air Pollution Specialist Mobile Source Control Division