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Air District offers \$11 million to reduce diesel engine pollution

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has opened the application period for the Carl Moyer grant program, to reduce ozone-forming and toxic air emissions from older heavy-polluting diesel equipment.

Eligible diesel powered equipment includes medium and heavy duty trucks, mobile agricultural and construction equipment, marine vessels, and locomotives.

“Exhaust from older, highly-polluting diesel engines have negative health impacts for Bay Area residents,” said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. “Air District grant programs not only safeguard public health, but foster a variety of innovative approaches to reduce pollution which can be modeled throughout the nation.”

The Carl Moyer Program is a state-wide effort in partnership with the California Air Resources Board, that is managed regionally by the Air District. It provides funding to switch out older, high polluting diesel engines in order to reduce air pollution.

This funding will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to owners of eligible equipment or vehicles. Funding is available for the following projects:

- New equipment projects that replace older engines with newer and cleaner models
- Repower projects that replace older engines with newer and cleaner engines
- Retrofit projects that install verified emission control or idle limiting devices

The Air District will accept applications for projects throughout its nine-county San Francisco Bay Area jurisdiction but will prioritize projects that reduce emissions in communities that are significantly impacted by air pollution.

Air District staff is available to answer questions about the application process and grant requirements. For more information about the grant program or to start an application online, visit the Air District website at <http://www.baaqmd.gov/moyer> or call 415-749-4994.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (www.baaqmd.gov) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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