

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 4, 2021

AGENDA NO. 9

PROPOSAL: Recognize Revenue for Continued AB 617 Implementation

SYNOPSIS: The South Coast AQMD was approved for a \$21,880,000 grant under the Community Air Protection Program from CARB. In May 2021, the Board recognized \$19,324,580 for continued AB 617 implementation. This action is to recognize up to an additional \$2,555,420 from CARB into the General Fund for AB 617.

COMMITTEE: No Committee Review

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recognize revenue, upon receipt, up to \$2,555,420 from CARB into the General Fund for continued AB 617 implementation and authorize the Executive Officer to accept the terms and conditions of the grant award from CARB.

Wayne Nastri
Executive Officer

SJ:gp

Background

This Board letter recognizes the remaining balance of Year 4 funding for continued implementation of the AB 617 program. Major elements of AB 617 include: accelerated BARCT rulemaking, statewide consistent emission reporting, air monitoring in communities, and community emission reduction plans.

South Coast AQMD's portion of the statewide funding for the fourth year of the AB 617 implementation program is \$21,880,000. In May 2021, the total amount was not yet known, so the Board authorized the recognition of \$19,324,580 as part of the FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. These actions are necessary to recognize the remaining \$2,555,420 that South Coast AQMD is eligible to receive from CARB for Year 4.

Proposal

Staff is seeking Board approval to recognize an additional \$2,555,420 into the General Fund from CARB for AB 617 Year 4 implementation.

Benefits to SCAQMD

The additional Year 4 funding will help support South Coast AQMD efforts to fulfill the legislative directives of AB 617, which will result in benefits to environmental justice communities and to the entire region.

Resource Impacts

Funding from CARB's Community Air Protection Program under the AB 617 implementation grant will provide resources for South Coast AQMD's AB 617 program for the fourth year.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-

**A Resolution of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Governing Board
Recognizing Grant Funds and Accepting the Terms and Conditions of the
FY 2020-21 Community Air Protection Program Grant Award G20-CAPP-31**

WHEREAS, under Health & Safety Code § 40400 *et seq.*, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) is the local agency with the primary responsibility for the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of air pollution control strategies, clean fuels programs and motor vehicle use reduction measures; and

WHEREAS, under Health & Safety Code § 40400 *et seq.* and Assembly Bill (AB) 617 (Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017), the South Coast AQMD is authorized to implement programs to support selecting locations for consideration by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) under AB 617, to deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring and develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs to reduce emissions of toxic air contaminants and criteria pollutants at selected locations, and to develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted several programs to support selecting locations for CARB consideration under AB 617, deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring, develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs, and develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board, in regular session assembled on June 4, 2021, does hereby authorize the Executive Officer to accept the terms and conditions of the FY 2020-21 Community Air Protection Program G20-CAPP-31 grant award and recognize up to \$21,880,000 from CARB to support location selection for CARB consideration under AB617, deploy community air monitoring systems, deploy fence-line monitoring, develop Community Emissions Reduction Programs, and develop an expedited schedule for requiring best available retrofit control technology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Officer is authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to carry out this Resolution.

Date

Clerk of the Board