



BOARD MEETING DATE: November 3, 2023

AGENDA NO. 6

PROPOSAL: Approve Contract Modification and Allocation of Funds as Approved by MSRC

SYNOPSIS: The MSRC approved a funding allocation to partner with South Coast AQMD and other partners in proposals seeking funding under the CARB solicitation for Advanced Technology Demonstration and Pilot Projects, as part of the MSRC's FYs 2021-24 Work Program. As part of their FYs 2021-24 and subsequent Work Program(s), the MSRC approved exercising the contract option to continue technical advisor services with Raymond Gorski for two additional years from January 2024 through December 2025. The MSRC is seeking Board approval of the contract modification and funding allocation as part of the FYs 2021-24 and subsequent Work Programs.

COMMITTEE: Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, October 19, 2023; Recommended for Approval

RECOMMENDED ACTION S:

1. Exercise option clause to extend contract with Raymond Gorski for technical advisor services an additional two years until December 31, 2025, increasing the contract value in an amount not to exceed \$385,700, as described in this letter and with the funding allocated as follows:
 - a. \$24,106 of the contract value increase to be allocated to the MSRC 's FY 2023-24 Administrative Budget; and
 - b. The remainder of the contract value increase (\$361,594) to be divided between the FYs 2021-24 (\$90,398) and subsequent Work Program(s) (\$271,196);
2. Approve MSRC allocation in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for partnership with South Coast AQMD and other partners in proposals seeking funding under the CARB "Advanced Technology Demonstration and Pilot Projects" solicitation, as part of approval of the FYs 2021-24 Work Program;
3. Authorize MSRC to adjust the above contract awards up to five percent, as necessary to accomplish program goals and previously granted in prior Work Programs; and

4. Authorize the Chair of the Board (or by the Board Chair 's designation, the Executive Officer) to execute the contracts under the FYs 2021-24 and subsequent Work Program(s), as described above and in this letter.

Larry McCallon
Chair, MSRC

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Background

In September 1990, Assembly Bill 2766 was signed into law (Health & Safety Code Sections 44220-44247) authorizing an annual \$4 motor vehicle registration fee to fund the implementation of programs exclusively to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles. AB 2766 provides that 30 percent of the annual \$4 vehicle registration fee subvented to South Coast AQMD be placed into an account to be allocated pursuant to a work program developed and adopted by the MSRC and approved by the Board.

Proposals

At its October 19, 2023 meeting, the MSRC considered recommendations from its MSRC Technical Advisory Committee (MSRC-TAC) and approved the following:

Exercise Option Clause of Technical Advisor's Contract

Following an open RFP process in 2021 to solicit Technical Advisor services to assist in the planning and implementation of the MSRC's Work Program, the MSRC selected Raymond Gorski. The contract was for \$385,700 for an initial two-year period and included an option clause for a two-year term extension. The option clause provided for a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$385,700. The MSRC evaluated Mr. Gorski 's performance and approved exercising the option, extending the contract term to December 31, 2025 and increasing the contract value by \$385,700. Funding specifics for the option period are to be as follows:

- a. \$24,106 of the contract value increase to be allocated to the MSRC 's FY 2023-24 Administrative Budget; and
- b. The remainder of the contract value increase (\$361,594) to be divided between the FYs 2021-24 (\$90,398) and subsequent Work Program(s) (\$271,196).

Advanced Technology Demonstration and Pilot Projects

CARB has released a solicitation seeking qualified bidders to implement and administer advanced technology projects in a variety of categories South Coast AQMD and its project partners, which include San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, San Diego County Air Pollution Control District, the Cities of Riverside, Los Angeles, Sacramento and Clovis ,

as well as participating drayage fleets, are preparing proposals to deploy battery electric trucks, shuttle buses, fire trucks, construction equipment and supporting infrastructure in response to the Port/Drayage Vehicles and Municipal Green Zone categories of this solicitation. The project will demonstrate large-scale deployment, workforce training and development, engage communities through substantial outreach, and include data collection and analysis. The MSRC considered this partnership opportunity and approved an allocation of up to \$3,000,000 to augment the partners' contributions as an element of the FYs 2021-24 Work Program. If CARB does not select these proposals, the allocation would revert to the unallocated AB 2766 Discretionary Fund balance.

The MSRC is requesting that the Board approve the contract modification and funding allocation as part of approval of the FYs 2021-24 and subsequent AB 2766 Discretionary Fund Work Programs as outlined above. Consistent with all past Work Programs, the MSRC further requests authority to adjust the funds allocated to each project specified in this Board letter by up to five percent of the project's recommended funding if needed to accomplish program goals.

Resource Impacts

South Coast AQMD acts as fiscal administrator for the AB 2766 Discretionary Fund Program (Health & Safety Code Section 44243). Money received for this program is recorded in a special revenue fund (Fund 23) and the contracts specified herein will be drawn from this fund.