SCAQMD’s Incentive Program for School Buses is Intended to Replace Older Diesel, High-Emitting, Public School Buses with New Alternative Fuel Buses and Reduce School Children’s Exposure to Cancer-Causing and Smog-Forming Pollution

Since 2001, SCAQMD has awarded nearly $280 million for:
- Replacement of 1,600 highly polluting pre-1994 diesel school buses with cleaner Type C & D alternative fueled buses (CNG and propane)
- Retrofit of 3,400 newer diesel school buses with diesel particulate traps

Since 2012, SCAQMD has awarded $6.2 million for:
- Replacement of CNG tanks on over 310 school buses

In 2017, SCAQMD approved funding for replacement of pre-1994 diesel school buses with near-zero emission, Type C & D alternative fueled buses (CNG and propane)
- 42 public school districts for a total of 206 buses
- Total of $35,638,000

In 2017, SCAQMD in association with CARB approved funding awards to 16 public schools and 2 charter schools:
- 33 electric school buses and associated electric charging infrastructure
- $368,000 per electric school bus and $20,000/bus for charging infrastructure
- Total of $8,844,000

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