



Eastern Kern

Air Pollution Control District

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Board of Directors
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SUBJECT: California Air Resources Board Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for
Emission Reductions Grant Program State Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Honorable Board:

In September 2017, Assembly Bill (AB) 134 and AB 109 provided \$135 million to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to reduce emissions from the agricultural sector. CARB staff developed the proposed Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) grant program to meet the Legislature's objectives and help meet the State's criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goals.

April 5, 2018, the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) received solicitation from CARB to participate in the FARMER program. The FARMER program will provide approximately \$737,000 to the District for the replacement of older, high-emitting agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations. A copy of the FARMER solicitation and application are attached.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board adopt Resolution No. 2018-004-05 requesting \$737,000 in Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) funds; authorize APCO to submit completed application; sign the Award Letter; and do all other acts necessary to reserve and receive State Fiscal Year 2017-2018 FARMER funds.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures