Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

November 3, 2022

Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Carl Moyer Program Grant Agreement with William D. Creighton, DBA. Creighton

Farms to Replace a Diesel-Fueled Tractor

Honorable Board:

William D. Creighton, DBA. Creighton Farms has applied and qualified for funding through the Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) Carl Moyer Program (CMP). The CMP provides funding for the voluntary retirement and replacement of eligible high-emitting diesel-fueled equipment.

Creighton Farms has proposed a project that meets eligibility criteria of the CMP. Agreement 11-005-2022 will provide up to \$105,000.00 in CMP funds to replace a 1980, diesel-fueled, Tier 0, John Deere tractor with a new low-emitting, Tier IV certified tractor. The tractor is used 100 percent of the time within Eastern Kern County for agricultural operations located in Weldon.

Creighton Farms is responsible for any project costs exceeding the District maximum funding amount. The old tractor will be permanently removed from service and salvaged once its new tractor has been purchased and placed in service. Staff recommends the project be approved for funding.

Three copies of the proposed agreement, a sample copy of which is attached, were sent to Creighton Farms to be approve by signature, and are expected to be returned to the District prior to the Board Meeting. If any significant changes are identified by Creighton Farms, the item will be withdrawn and the Agreement will be held to the January 2023 Board Meeting.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve and authorize Chairman to sign Agreement 11-005-2022 with William D. Creighton, DBA. Creighton Farms for the purchase of a new tractor.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

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