

AGENDA ITEM 11

To: Jim Provenza, Chair
and Members of the Board of Directors

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Date: January 13, 2021

Subject: Clean Air Funds (CAFs) Program Direction

Recommended Action

This is a discussion item only.

Background

The District's Clean Air Funds program is a program that runs on an annual basis and provides financial incentives for projects that reduce mobile source emissions. CAF projects must achieve emission reductions from mobile sources. Projects fall into one of the following categories:

- Clean Technologies/Low Emission Vehicles
- Alternative Transportation Programs
- Transit Services
- Public Education

Current Outreach Efforts

Currently, the District engages in outreach for the Clean Air Funds program in a number of ways:

- District staff maintains a mailing list of individuals and organizations that have expressed interest in the program and mails or emails applications packages to these contacts when the program application period opens each year
- District Board members are also sent the application package
- The District promotes the program on the District's website as well as on the District's social media accounts
- On an ongoing basis, District staff interacts with community groups and the staff of the cities and counties within the District and advises them of upcoming application periods and deadlines
- Identification of additional community groups or community leaders that can benefit from program funding

If the Board has a desire to try and focus this year's projects towards any specific category(s), staff can enhance outreach towards that category.

Upcoming Funding Cycle

The applications for this year's CAF will be released in late February 2021 and will be due in the middle of April 2021. It is anticipated that the funding levels will be approximately \$60,000 for Yolo County and \$340,000 for Solano County.