To:

Jim Provenza, Chair

and Members of the Board of Directors

From:

Mat Ehrhardt, P.E., Executive Director/APCO

Date:

September 8, 2021

Subject:

Authorize the APCO to Enter into MOU with Sacramento Metro Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) to Accept Targeted Airshed Grant Funding to

Administer District Wood Stove Change-Out Program

Recommended Action

Authorize the APCO to sign an MOU with SMAQMD to accept Targeted Airshed Grant Funding and administer a wood stove change-out program in our District.

Background

EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning & Standards solicits applications from eligible entities to compete for financial assistance through the Targeted Airshed Grant Program. This program assists local, state, and/or tribal air pollution control agencies to conduct emission reduction activities to reduce air pollution in nonattainment areas that EPA determines are the top five most polluted areas relative to ozone, annual average fine particulate matter (PM2.5), or 24-hour PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The overall goal of the Targeted Airshed Grant Program is to reduce air pollution in the nation's areas with the highest levels of ozone and PM2.5 ambient air concentrations.

In 2020, the District participated in the regional application to the Targeted Airshed Grant Program as part of the Sacramento nonattainment area (NAA). A full briefing will be presented to the Board of Directors during the November meeting, when more specific details are available.

Budget Impacts

Budget details will be forthcoming once the MOU is finalized. These impacts will be presented at the November Board Meeting.

Other Agency Involvement

County Counsel will review and approve the MOU prior to the APCO executing.