



**YOLO-SOLANO AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
ZERO-EMISSION AG UTV VOUCHER PROGRAM**

YOLO AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Funding for vouchers is available through the Yolo Agricultural Equipment Replacement Program approved by Yolo County Board of Supervisor using American Rescue Plan funds. These projects are eligible for a maximum voucher amount of \$15,000 and applications will be prioritized for socially disadvantaged applicants and/or projects impacting priority populations.

Priority Scoring Criteria and Process

Scoring Criteria	Scoring
Cost-Effectiveness \$/ton GHG reduced Other funding available to reduce cost	Ranked from most to least Cost-Effective
Socially Disadvantaged Applicants	1 Point
Priority Populations	1 Point

Projects will be scored for prioritized categories and then within those scores based upon cost-effectiveness. This scoring will only be required for use in selection for vouchers awarded through the Yolo Agricultural Equipment Replacement Program.

Socially Disadvantaged

Building on the language defined in Assembly Bill 1348— the Farmer Equity Act (2017) —we define Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers as those belonging to a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of a group without regard to their individual qualities. These groups include, but are not limited to, people who are African American, American Indian, Alaskan native, Hispanic, Asian-American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander.

Priority Populations

We use the California Air Resources Board (CARB) definition of Priority Populations, which includes disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and low-income households. Priority Populations can be identified using CARB’s online mapping tool [here](#). CARB designates Priority Populations using the following definitions: Disadvantaged Community (DAC): The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) defines DACs as the following:

- (1) census tracts receiving the highest 25 percent of overall scores in CalEnviroScreen 4.0;
- (2) census tracts lacking overall scores in CalEnviroScreen 4.0 due to data gaps, but receiving the highest 5 percent of CalEnviroScreen 4.0 cumulative pollution burden scores;
- (3) census tracts identified in the 2017 DAC designation as disadvantaged, regardless of their scores in CalEnviroScreen 4.0;
- (4) and areas under the control of federally recognized Tribes. Low-Income Communities and Households: CARB’s Priority Populations Investments program defines these groups as “those with incomes either at or below 80 percent of the statewide median income, or at or below the threshold