



Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program

**California Air District Natural Gas Vehicles Solicitation
(GFO-17-605)**

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AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Solicitation Overview
- Questions and Answers
- Adjourn



ARFVTP's Commitment to Diversity

The Energy Commission adopted a resolution on April 8, 2015, to firmly commit to:

- Increase participation of women, minority, disabled veteran and LGBT business enterprises in program funding opportunities
- Increase outreach and participation by disadvantaged communities
- Increase diversity in participation at Energy Commission proceedings
- Increase diversity in employment and promotional opportunities



Commitment to Diversity

Fairness – Increase funding accessibility to all Californians.

Inclusion – Small businesses make up a significant portion of the U.S. economy.

Job Creation – Projects can create jobs for residents of the under-served communities.

Diversity of Ideas – Great ideas occur in a variety of areas.

Diversity in Communities' Needs – Needs vary widely from one area to the next (air quality, socioeconomic, etc.).



Solicitation Purpose (p. 4)

To fund California Air Districts for their existing or planned incentive programs for compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicles.



Funding (p. 5)

- A total of \$10 million is available.
- The maximum award amount is \$8 million per Air District.
- Energy Commission reserves the right to increase/decrease total funding available under this solicitation.



Eligible Applicants (p. 9)

- This solicitation is open to all California Air Districts.



Eligible Projects (p. 9)

Eligible projects are limited to existing or planned California Air District programs that will incentivize the purchase of CNG vehicles and vehicles retrofitted to use CNG for use in California. The project can fund an existing program's waitlist or provide additional funding for an existing program or can secure funds for anticipated incentives of a planned program.



Match Funding (p. 9)

- No match funding requirement.
- Applicants must clearly identify if the air district will be providing funding to the incentive program and, if so, the amount of funding being committed.



Project Selection and Award Overview (p. 14-17)

- This is a competitive grant solicitation.
- Applicant must pass administrative and technical screening.
- If applicant passes screening, then subject to Technical Evaluation Criteria.
- A minimum score of 70% of Technical Evaluation Criteria required to be considered eligible for funding.



Project Selection and Award Overview (cont.)

- Applications ranked and recommended for funding according to final overall score.
- Results released through Notice of Proposed Award (NOPA).
- Energy Commission will finalize project agreements.
- Agreements approved at a Business Meeting.



Application Requirements (p. 12-13)

- **Application Form:** Applicants must complete, sign, and submit an Application Form (Attachment 1).
- **Contact List:** Applicants must complete the Contact Form (Attachment 2). This information will be used to contact the Applicant if necessary.



Application Requirements (cont.)

- **CEQA Worksheet:** Must complete Attachment 3. The Energy Commission requires this information to assist its own determination under CEQA.
- **Localized Health Impacts Information:** Applicants must complete Attachment 4. The Energy Commission requires this information to develop and publish a Localized Health Impacts Report.



Application Requirements (cont.)

- **Project Narrative Form:**

Applicants must complete Attachment 5. The Energy Commission requires this information to evaluate the proposal.

(A separate proposal narrative is not required.)



Applications **WILL** be Rejected if...

(p. 14-15)

- Application is not received by the Grants and Loans Office.
- Cover Page (Attachment 1) not signed by authorized representative.
- Contains false or intentionally misleading statements or references or intended to mislead the State in its evaluation of the Application.
- Project partners are not identified or documentation confirming their participation is not provided.
- Applicant is not an Eligible Applicant (Section II).
- Project is not an Eligible Project (Section II).
- Application contains confidential information.



Scoring: Possible Points (p. 17)

Benefits to Disadvantaged Communities	30
Cost-Effectiveness and Environmental Benefit	40
Program Effectiveness	30
	Total 100
	Minimum Passing Score (70%) 70



Remaining Schedule (p. 5)

- Deadline for Questions (February 12, 2018)
- Distribute Answers (February 16, 2018)
- **Deadline to Submit Applications**
(February 28, 2018) 5 pm
- Post Notice of Proposed Awards (March 2018)
- Commission Business Meeting (April 2018)



Questions/Comments

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