

MONTEREY BAY AIR RESOURCES DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

JANET BRENNAN, CHAIR THURSDAY, April 4, 2024 – 1:30 P.M. 24580 Silver Cloud Court, Monterey, CA – Boardroom

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Before the Meeting: Persons who wish to address the Advisory Committee for public comment of an item not on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Sirie Thongchua, Executive Assistant, at sirie@mbard.org by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. Comments received will be distributed to the Advisory Committee prior to the meeting.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

- 1. Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Chair Brennan at 1:35 p.m.
- Roll Call Present: Janet Brennan, Allen Stroh, Scott Storm. Absent: Sandy Coplin, Zane Hatchett, Matthew McCluney, Bob Smith, Sandy Swint, Caitlyn Turley.
 Quorum not present.
- Changes to the Agenda None.
- 4. Public Comment Period None.
- 5. Accept and File Summary of Actions for the Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2024 *Action: No action taken. Tabled Agenda Item #5.*
- 6. **Received** a Presentation on Motor Vehicle Emission-Reduction Grants Using AB 2766 Funds Action: Received and discussed presentation. Committee did not provide formal comments or recommendations for the Board of Director' considerations.
- 7. Received Monthly Oral Report from Air Pollution Control Officer
 Richard Stedman, Air Pollution Control Officer, reported on the following:
 Board Meeting

February 21, 2024

- Received Presentation on Calendar Year 2023 Engineering and Compliance Activities
- Accepted the 2023 Planning Division Annual Report and Received a Presentation
- Accepted the 2023 Air Monitoring Division Annual Report and Received a Presentation
- Approved an Amendment to the Employment Agreement for District Air Pollution Control
- Officer

District Updates

MBARD just received 75,000 N95 surgical masks for use during wildfire smoke events. These will be distributed to those in need during wildfire events. We have already worked on an agreement with Fort Ord EJN to distribute masks to the community when smoke concentrations are high. The masks can also be distributed to evacuation centers and other agencies in need. The masks were donated by the N95 project, a non-profit that formed during the COVID crisis.

MBARD is currently working on the FY 2024-25 budget. The draft budget was workshopped with the public in all three counties earlier this week and will go to the board for our first hearing on April 17, 2024. The final board hearing will be held on June 19, 2024

We are currently in the 3rd year of our 5-year contract with SIEU Local 521. The contract allows for reopening compensation provisions as well as any two other articles contained in the MOU for the last two years of the contract.

Engineering and Compliance

- MBARD launched two online tools for the public in January. For complaints, we added a
 link on our website so complaints can be submitted online directly into our
 database. Second, we added a permit search webpage to allow the public to search
 permits in our database based on information such as permit type or address. We also
 included instructions on the website for how to do both items.
- For the standing agenda item about Marina Odor complaints, we received 6 odor complaints from the Marina area since the last Board meeting.

Planning and Air Monitoring

- The 2023-24 Woodstove Change-Out Program, which launched on December 14, offers incentives to replace non-EPA certified wood stoves, fireplace inserts, or open-hearth fireplaces with a low smoke emitting, EPA certified wood or pellet stove or fireplace insert, electric stove/insert, or ductless mini-split heat pump. Propane and natural gas replacement devices are not included in the program. As a result of the slow start to the program, incentives have been increased to \$2,500 for wood-to-wood changeouts and \$5,000 for wood-to-heat pump changeouts. Incentive amounts are doubled for low-income applicants and those living in low-income areas and disadvantaged communities.
- The Landscape Equipment Exchange Program (LEEP) was launched on November 6. LEEP provides residents and commercial operations with an incentive to replace old, combustion landscape equipment (e.g. lawn mowers and leaf blowers) with new, cordless zero-emission equipment. \$315,000 in project funds were provided by a Moyer State Reserve grant for a commercial program. An additional \$80,000 was redirected from Moyer program funds to cover the residential program. Replacement of 73 pieces of lawn and garden equipment has been approved so far, with \$67,381 expended.
- An electric school bus will be delivered this week to San Benito High School as part of MBARD's Zero-Emission School Bus Program. The program provides grant funding to local school districts to assist with purchasing electric school buses and charging infrastructure. MBARD receives funding for the program from DMV fees as authorized by AB923. San Benito High School was granted \$297,000 from ZESBP which was stacked

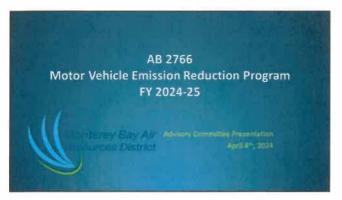
with \$198,000 from California's zero-emission bus voucher program. With the combined grant funding, San Benito High School will receive the electric bus at no cost.

Outreach

Thursday, April 4, 2024

- e-Newsletter in English and Spanish were published on January 11, 2024.
- Landscape Equipment Exchange Program (LEEP) and general air quality spots currently airing on radio stations KAZU, KPIG, and KSQD. LEEP spots aired on Spanish radio station KPRC-FM and on KPRC-FM's social media accounts during the month of December.
- MBARD ran Electric Bicycle Incentive Program (EBIP), Landscape Equipment Exchange Program (LEEP), and Wood Stove Exchange Program print ads in the Santa Cruz Good Times and the San Juan Bautista Mission Village Voice, and a LEEP digital ad is currently included on KSBW's website and e-news blasts.
- MBARD will have a booth at the 18th annual Earth Day Marina on Saturday, April 13, 9 am – 1 pm, Marina Library.
- MBARD 50th Anniversary is July 1, 2024. 50th Anniversary branding was designed. We are currently in the early stages of planning an Open House Celebration in July.
- Invite board members to be featured in future social media posts.
- 8. Future Agenda Items None.
- 9. Chairman's Comments None.
- 10. Comments from Committee Members None.
- 11. Order for Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Sirie Thongchua
Executive Assistant



Background
 Current Programs and Funding Examples
 Advisory Committee Input and Recommendations
 Comments/Questions

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Background

- 34th year of AB 2766 Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Program. Awarded over \$40 million to local agencies to fund over 600 projects,
- Assembly Bill 2766 was adopted in 1990 to provide a revenue stream for programs to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles and for related planning, monitoring, enforcement, and technical studies.
- State law, H&S Code Section 44220-44247, authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to collect a registration surcharge of \$4 per vehicle to fund the AB 2766 program.
- Funds were initially distributed to cities, counties, and public entities. Awarded over \$3
 million over 8 years to the public to incentivize the purchase of approximately 2,000 electric
 mediate.
- MBARD distributes AB 2766 revenue among our three counties based on population.
- Approximately \$1.6 million available for FY 24-25



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Current Programs

Clean Vehicle Program (CVP)

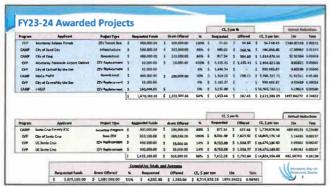
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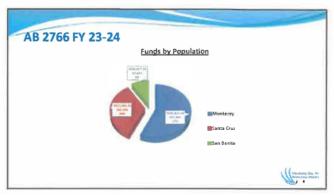
EV Incentive Program for Public Agencies and Non-Profit Organizations

Clean Air Management Program (CAMP)

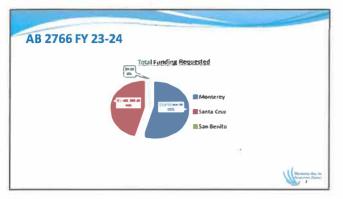
Transportation Infrastructure, Electrification, Fixed Assets

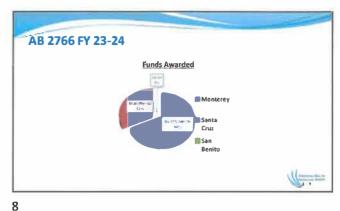
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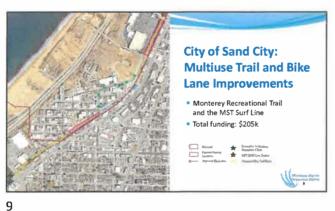


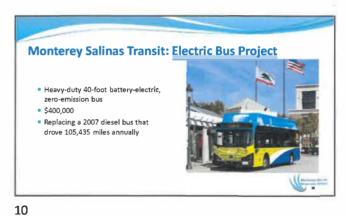


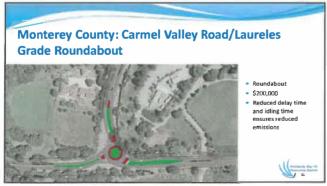
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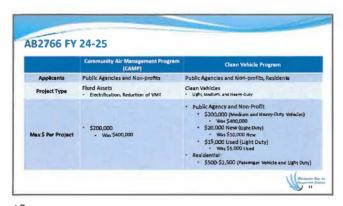


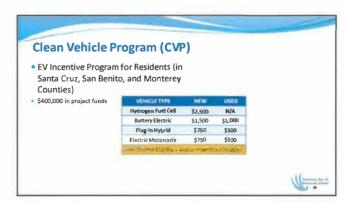




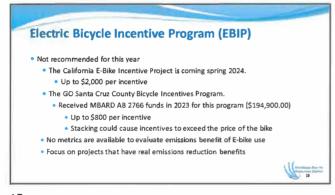








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Overview of Proposed Changes

• For Residents:

• Adding \$50,000 to the EV incentive program (\$350,000 → \$400,000).

• Lowering the passenger/light duty EV Incentive amounts

• For government and non-profit:

• Increasing light duty EV incentive amount (\$10,000 → \$20,000).

• Lowering Incentives for fixed assets and medium/HD vehicles (\$400,000.00 → \$200,000).

• Roundabouts and Adaptive Traffic Signal Control projects would no longer be eligible for funding

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