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NORTHERN SIERRA

AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

July 23, 2020

10:00 a.m.

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This meeting will be held by Telephone Conference

425 436-6345

Passcode: 899668#

THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE BY CALLING THE ABOVE NUMBER AND PASSCODE AT THE AGENDIZED DATE/TIME. IF REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED BY THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT THE AIR DISTRICT OFFICE AT OFFICE@MYAIRDISTRICT.COM OR 530 274-9360.

All items on the agenda may be acted upon by the Board of Directors. No action will be taken nor discussion held at the meeting on business not appearing on the posted agenda.

I. Standing Orders:

Call to Order.

Roll call and determination of quorum.

II. Public Comment: For items **NOT** appearing on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Board. The public may comment on Agenda items as they are discussed.

III. Administrative Report

A. Approval of FARMER Projects (Year 2, Round 1)

IV. Concerns of Board - The Board may at this time bring up matters it wishes to discuss at the next Board Meeting, as long as no discussions are conducted and no actions are taken, in compliance with the Brown Act.

V. Schedule next Meeting – August 24, 2020

VI. Adjournment

PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be conducted by the Chairperson in a manner consistent with the policies of the District. The latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised shall also be used as a general guideline for meeting protocol. District policies shall prevail whenever they are in conflict with Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

All Board meetings shall commence at the time stated on the agenda and shall be guided by same.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Provisions for permitting any individual or group to address the Board concerning any item on the agenda of a special meeting, or to address the Board at a regular meeting on any subject that lies within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors, shall be as follows:

Three (3) minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes to each subject matter;

No boisterous conduct shall be permitted at any Board meeting. Persistence in boisterous conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the Chairperson, of that person's privilege of address.

No oral presentation shall include charges or complaints against any District employee, regardless of whether or not the employee is identified in the presentation by name or by another reference which tends to identify. All charges or complaints against employees shall be submitted to the Board of Directors under provisions contained in District Policy 1030.

Willful disruption of any of the meetings of the Board of Directors shall not be permitted. If the Chairperson finds that there is in fact willful disruption of any meeting of the Board, he/she may order the room cleared and subsequently conduct the Board's business without the audience present. In such an event, only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session.

After clearing the room, the Chairperson may permit those persons who, in his/her opinion, were not responsible for the willful disruption to re-enter the meeting room.

Duly accredited representatives of the news media, whom the Chairperson finds not to have participated in the disruption, shall be admitted to the remainder of the meeting.

Members of the public are given the opportunity to address the Board of Directors directly at each teleconference location.

POSTING AGENDA:

This agenda was posted at least 72 hours prior to the regular meeting at the following locations: Eric Rood Government Center in Nevada City, The Plumas County Courthouse in Quincy, the Litton Building in Grass Valley, the Plumas County Board of Supervisors Chambers in Quincy, Sierra County Courthouse Square in Downieville. **The agenda and board packet are available on-line prior to the Board Meeting at www.myairdistrict.com**

TO: Northern Sierra Air Quality Management Board of Directors

FROM: Gretchen Bennitt, Executive Director

DATE: July 23, 2020

Agenda Item: III.A

Agenda Description: Approval of FARMER Projects (Year 2, Round 1)

Issues:

Funding for the FARMER grant program is provided by the California Air Resources Board. The program is administered by the Placer County Air Pollution Control District (APCD). The Placer County APCD chooses which projects get money and how much money those projects get. Those decisions are based on the air quality merits of the individual projects, specifically, how much pollution is reduced for the least amount of money, aka “cost effectiveness”, and whether those projects benefit low-income or disadvantaged communities. Placer County APCD distributes the grant awards to the local Air Districts that are under contract with the Placer County APCD.

The contracts for the grant awards are administered by the local Air Districts. The role of the local Air District is to help the applicants fill out their grant applications. That includes help with wording, with choosing high value projects, with technical data and documentation and help with navigating the grant application process. Once a project has been awarded grant money, the local Air District is responsible for putting that grantee under contract with the District. The local District ensures that the grantee complies with all the conditions in the contract and adheres to all the pre-, post- and dismantling inspection schedules. The Air District holds the grant money in its account until such time that the grantee is ready to purchase their new equipment. Once all the inspections have been performed, the Air District will provide the grantee with their grant award. The Air District also fills out all the reports required by the FARMER program and ensures that the grantees continue to adhere to the terms of their grant contract over the 5-year life of the project.

The primary responsibility of the grantee is to use their new equipment the same number of annual hours as the old equipment that was replaced.

The FARMER program may provide up to 80% of the total cost of a project. In the current round of funding (Year 2, Round 1), almost \$1,000,000 was granted for 5 projects in the Northern Sierra AQMD.

Here is a list of the proposed projects and their grant awards:

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Project</u>
Erik Roen	\$ 135,000.00	Tractor
Robinson Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 129,107.42	Feller Buncher
Robinson Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 245,967.30	Heel Boom Log Loader
Sierra Pacific Industries	\$ 158,402.40	Forklift
Sierra Pacific Industries	\$ 335,713.60	Loader

Here is a list of previous FARMER projects and their grant awards:

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grant Award</u>	<u>Project</u>
Dave Goicoechea	\$ 87,520.00	Tractor
Arnold Potter	\$ 40,971.62	Excavator

Requested Action:

1. Approve and Authorize Executive Director and Chair to sign individual agreements between Northern Sierra Air District and Erik Roen, Robinson Enterprises and Sierra Pacific Industries.

Attachments:

1. Agreement #FARMER 2020-02 between Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District and Erik Roen for the purchase of a crawler tractor.
2. Agreement #FARMER 2020-03 between Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District and Robinson Enterprises for the purchase of a feller buncher.
3. Agreement #FARMER 2020-04 between Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District and Robinson Enterprises for the purchase of a heel boom log loader.
4. Agreement #FARMER 2020-05 between Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District and Sierra Pacific Industries for the purchase of a forklift.
5. Agreement #FARMER 2020-06 between Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District and Sierra Pacific Industries for the purchase of a wheel loader.

