



**Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District**  
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**DATE: March 14, 2023**

**RE: AB 181-School District Transportation Service Plans and Local Air District Consultation**

Dear Superintendents of Antelope Valley School Districts,

We recently learned that all school districts in California are required to consult with their local air district (among others) to develop a plan related to transportation services, to meet the requirements of California Assembly Bill 181.

The bill reads in part: *"SEC. 14. 39800.1. (b) (1) The plan shall be developed in consultation with classified staff, teachers, school administrators, regional local transit authorities, local air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, parents, pupils, and other stakeholders."*

The Air District is here to support your work and available to work with as needed. The Air District does not review these plans; however, we will provide comments if requested.

As you work towards the development of your school district's plan, the Air District encourages moving towards zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) and zero-emission small off-road engines (i.e. Lawn and Garden Equipment). Please contact the Air District for eligibility of our funding programs:

### **Carl Moyer Program**

The Carl Moyer Program provides limited competitive funding for zero-emission school buses and associated infrastructure. More information on this funding, eligibility criteria, and how to apply can be found by contacting the Air District or visiting our website <https://avaqmd.ca.gov/>.

### **Community Air Protection Grants**

Since 2017 the California Legislature has budgeted \$704 million to support Assembly Bill (AB) 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017) with incentives directed by local air districts to put advanced technologies to work for cleaner air in the California. A portion of the program is designed to decrease exposure and address a range of outdoor and indoor air emissions sources that may potentially affect the health of school children. Air districts may fund a project or projects at schools in disadvantaged communities or low-income communities. The program allows the following project types for schools:

- Composite Wood Products.
- Zero-Emission Lawn and Garden Equipment.
- Air Filtration.
- School Transportation.

**School districts that receive and consider the information provided in this document are considered to have consulted adequately with the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and nothing further is needed unless directed by the State. If further consultation is desired, please feel free to reach out to our office.**

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bret Banks", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bret Banks  
Executive Director/APCO