

March 8, 2018

Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Sub-Recipient Agreement from California Air Pollution Control Officers Association for the District to receive FARMER Grant Funds

Honorable Board:

California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) is acting as the disbursing agent for Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) Program Grant funds from the California Air Resources Board (CARB). The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) is expected to receive approximately \$737,000 (final funding has not been determined) for agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations.

In September 2017, CARB received \$135 million to reduce emissions from the agricultural sector from Assembly Bill (AB) 134 and AB 109. CARB staff has developed the proposed FARMER Program to meet the Legislature's objectives and help meet the State's criteria, toxic and greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goals

It is expected, the District will be required to sign an agreement with CAPCOA as a grant sub-recipient. **IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to sign a Sub-recipient Agreement with the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association, and authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to do all other acts necessary to receive FARMER Grant Funds.

Sincerely,

Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

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