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

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

SUBJECT: California Air Resources Board Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for

Emission Reductions Grant Program State Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) participates in the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) Program. The FARMER program provides grant funds for the replacement of older high-emitting agricultural harvesting equipment, heavy-duty trucks, agricultural pump engines, tractors, and other equipment used in agricultural operations.

The District received solicitation from CARB in November 2019, to apply for FY 2019-2020 FARMER funds. CARB will provide approximately \$350,760 in FY 2019-2020 FARMER funds to the District for eligible projects in Eastern Kern. The District requests your Board approve and adopt Resolution No. 2020-001-01 in order to reserve and secure the District's allocation of FY 2019-2020 FARMER funds. A copy of the FY 2019-2020 FARMER solicitation and application are attached for reference.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board adopt Resolution No. 2020-001-01 to apply for FY 2019-2020 Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions (FARMER) funds; authorize APCO to submit completed application; sign the Award Letter; and do all other acts necessary to reserve and receive Fiscal Year 2019-2020 FARMER funds.

Sincerely,

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

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