The goal of the Collaborative is to leverage federal funds to strategically reduce emissions from the most polluting diesel sources in impacted communities. The Collaborative seeks to improve air quality and public health by targeting the highest polluting engines with the most cost effective control strategies.

Metropolitan Contractor Improvement Partnership (MCIP) – Metropolitan Contractor Clean Diesel Project

The West Coast Collaborative is pleased to announce that EPA has selected Metropolitan Contractor Improvement Partnership (MCIP) of Portland, OR, for \$590,813 grant funded by EPA under the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA).

What is the Project?

This project will install best available and verified advanced exhaust controls on 12 vehicles and non-road equipment and scrap and replace 6 trucks used in construction or freight movement.

Why is this project important?

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and Multnomah County Health Department determined that minority populations in the Portland area were disproportionately impacted by diesel exhaust emissions. Children in these communities were more likely to live in households with income below poverty levels. Residents in these communities had higher risk of years of potential life lost, infant mortality, coronary heart disease, stroke, and diabetes and cancer mortality. Diesel exhaust emissions are implicated in increasing risk for most of the adverse health risks reported and reductions associated with equipment proposed in this project will help to lower these risks.

What are the estimated environmental benefits?

The MCIP project will reduce lifetime emissions of Nox by 93.47 tons; PM2.5 by 4.95 tons; HC by 4.04 tons; CO by 23.51 tons; and CO2 by 2,651.5 tons; and have a diesel savings of 586,000 gallons of diesel fuel annually.

How is this project funded?

Through EPA and National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program, the West Coast Collaborative is providing \$548,326 in funds in support of this project. Additionally, the project anticipates a mandatory match of \$483,000. Total project cost is \$1,073,813.

Who are the partners on this project?

Metropolitan Contractor Improvement Partnership; Just Bucket Excavating, Inc.; Pacificmark Construction; Raimore Construction; and NESW Trucking LLC.

What is the Collaborative?

The West Coast Collaborative is a partnership between leaders from federal, state, and local government, the private sector, and environmental groups committed to reducing diesel emissions along the West Coast and is part of the National Clean Diesel Campaign: www.epa.gov/cleandiesel.

How can I find out more about the Collaborative?

For more information, on the West Coast Collaborative, please visit our website at www.westcoastcollaborative.org.

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