WEST COAST COLLABORATIVE A public-private partnership to reduce diesel emissions

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

DERA 2016: ODEQ -School Bus Replacement Project – Year 3

Under the Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) 2016 State Clean Diesel Grant Program, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality received \$307,862 from the Unites States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to replace 10 school buses.

What is the Project?

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) will replace 10 school buses. ODEQ will provide \$205,241 in additional funds to support this project. The total project cost, including the \$825,000 mandatory cost-share, is \$1,338,103.

Why is this project important?

School bus fleets and operate largely in residential areas where children live and school facilities are located. This program will reduce the risk from toxic pollutants by reducing the exposure of school-age children to diesel emissions from school buses. The program area includes areas of high and medium population density, as well as small towns in rural areas.

What are the estimated environmental/ economic benefits?

This project will reduce 0.9 tons of particulate matter (PM_{2.5}); 531.5 tons of Carbon Dioxide (CO₂); 1.25 tons of Hydrocarbons (HC); 5.72 tons of Carbon Monoxide (CO); and 21.66 tons of Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) emissions over its operational life.

What is the Collaborative?

The West Coast Collaborative is an ambitious partnership between leaders from federal, state, and local government, the private sector, and environmental groups committed to reducing diesel emissions along the West Coast. Partners come from all over Western North America, including California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, Hawaii, Canada and Mexico. The Collaborative is National part of the 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. For more information about this project, please contact Debbie Kline, EPA Project Officer at kline.debbie@epa.gov or 206-553-1236.