

- An emission reduction project is eligible for mitigation funding only if source of the emissions reduction (public or private project) is not required by existing State or federal law to reduce its emissions to the levels proposed by the project.
- For the criteria pollutants, the source of the emissions reduction should be located within Placer County and the source operates primarily within the non-attainment area classified by the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).
- For the criteria pollutants to be reduced that are of localized concern (particulate matter, carbon monoxide), it is preferred that the location of the emissions reduction be as close as possible to the project that is to be mitigated.
- For the GHG emissions, the source of the emissions reduction should be located within California to assist in achieving the objectives of the California Global Warming Solution Act of 2006 (AB 32).
- The type of emissions to be reduced (i.e. criteria pollutants and GHG) are of the same type as those emissions for which the Air Quality Mitigation Fee was paid.
- Leveraging of the mitigation funds to reduce the direct contribution of mitigation funds to achieve emission reductions is preferred.
- Examples of the types of emissions reduction projects that may be qualifying but not limited to:
 - A. Provide monetary incentives to homeowners to replace high polluting non-EPA certified woodstoves with new EPA certified low emission wood, pellet or gas burning appliances.
 - B. Purchase wood chippers for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and or local fire departments to be used in a residential chipper program.
 - C. Provide monetary incentives to local transit operators, public and private owners of heavy duty diesel on-road trucks and off-road equipment to replace older high emission diesel engines with new, low emission diesel or compressed/liquefied natural gas engines.
 - D. Provide funding for regional air quality improvement programs such as the “Mow Down” program implemented by the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District.
 - E. Use as matching funds to obtain “Carl Moyer” funding for public and private air quality improvement projects.
 - F. Provide monetary incentives to the agriculture industry to replace high polluting diesel powered water pumps with new cleaner burning diesel or natural gas powered agriculture pumps.

