MENDOCINO COUNTY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

| DATE: | October 28, 2011 |
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| TO: | Air Quality Management District Board |
| CC: | Kristin McMenomey, General Services Director Bob West, General Services Fleet Manager |
| FROM: | Christopher Brown, AICP Air Pollution Control Officer |

SUBJECT: Purchase of Air Quality Management District Low Emissions Vehicle

The Air Quality Management District currently maintains a fleet of three Hybrid or Alternative Fuel vehicles. The District's 2001 Prius Hybrid has higher mileage and is currently used as an "In-County Only" vehicle.

Of the three vehicles only the District's 2003 CNG Pickup is suitable for off-road use. Due to an increasing number of remote investigations and inspections, including agricultural equipment, an additional 4x4 vehicle is necessary.

In addition, the District currently has four field employees, but only three vehicles. The purchase of an additional 4x4 vehicle will increase the ability to respond to complaints in a timely manner.

The District is requesting Board approval for up to \$46,000 to cover the cost of the purchase of a new hybrid 4x4 pickup truck. Following approval of funding District staff will work with GSA to complete the purchase.

This item was not included in the 2011/2012 fiscal-year Budget. Funding for the new vehicle comes from the District's Fund Balance. Adequate funds are available in the fund balance for this purchase.