



Program Summary: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 22/23 Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) National Grants

RFA Open Date: ~August 2, 2023
Applications Due: ~December 1, 2023
Award Notification: ~March 2024
Project Start Date: July 1, 2024
Project Period: 24-48 Months

Background:

• What it is:

The 2023 Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) National Grant is a competitive funding opportunity for projects that achieve reductions in diesel emissions from mobile sources.

Funding available:

Nationally approximately \$115 million in funding will be made available.

How your company can benefit:

Public and private fleets can partner with eligible entities to submit applications resulting in the implementation of emissions reduction technologies.

Funding Priority Areas:

- Fleets operating in areas of poor air quality.
- Fleets that service goods movement facilities.

- Projects that benefit affected communities.
- Fleets that engage affected communities in the design and performance of the project.
- Projects that demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project conclusion.
- Applications which demonstrate the ability to protect grant funded investments from severe weather events.
- Evaluation criteria points will be given to applications that demonstrate plans and activities to prepare their workforce for the project.

Eligible Equipment Types of Note:

| Medium-duty or heavy-duty trucks | Includes diesel powered medium-duty and heavy-duty highway vehicles with gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) as defined below: Class 5 (16,001 -19,500 lbs. GVWR); Class 6 (19,501 - 26,000 lbs. GVWR); Class 7 (26,001 - 33,000 lbs. GVWR); Class 8 (33,001 lbs. GVWR and over) |
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| Nonroad engines, equipment or vehicles | Includes diesel powered engines, equipment and vehicles used in construction, handling of cargo (including at ports and airports), agriculture, mining, or energy production (including stationary generators and pumps). |

- Drayage Trucks any class 8 highway truck associated with ports.
- Port Handling Equipment Large Material Handlers that can be electrified will be prioritized.

Eligible Diesel Emissions Reduction Solutions:

- Vehicle and Equipment Replacements must be EPA / CARB certified as applicable
- Engine Replacements
- Verified Idle Reduction Technologies
 - See full SmartWay Verified Technologies list.
 - Samples:
 - APU and gensets, Battery AC systems, Thermal Storage, Fuel operated heaters, Electrified Parking Spaces.
- Verified Retrofit Technologies:
 - Diesel Oxidation Catalysts, Diesel Particulate Filters, Closed Crankcase Filtration Systems, Selective Catalytic Reduction Systems
- Clean Alternative Fuel Conversion
 - For 2006 and newer model year engines, must achieve specified emission reduction targets. Alternative fuel examples include propane and natural gas.
- Verified Aerodynamic Technologies and Verified Low Rolling Resistance Tires
- Certified Remanufacture Systems

Project Eligibility Criteria (Onroad)

| Current Engine Model Year (EMY) | DOC +/- CCV | DPF | SCR | Verified Idle Reduction, Tires, or Aero- dynamics | Vehicle or Engine Replacement: EMY 2021+ (2017+ for Drayage) | Vehicle or Engine Replacement: EMY 2021+ Zero Emission ² or Low-NOx ³ | Clean Alternative Fuel Conversion |
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| older - 2006 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 2007 - 2009 | No | No | Yes | Yes ¹ | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 2010 - newer | No | No | No | Yes ¹ | No | Yes | Yes |

Project Eligibility Criteria (Offroad)

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| Current Engine Tier | Com | pression Ign | ition | Spark Ignition | Zero | Verified Retrofit |
| | Tier 0-2 | Tier 3-4i | Tier 4 | Tier 2 | Emission ³ | |
| Unregulated – Tier 2 | No | Yes1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tier 3 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tier 4 | No | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| | | Verified | | | | |
| Current Engine Tier | Com | pression Ign | ition | Spark Ignition | Zero Emission ⁴ | Engine Upgrade |
| | Tier 0-2 | Tier 3-4i | Tier 4 | Tier 2 | | |
| Unregulated – Tier 2 | No | Yes ² | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tier 3 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tier 4 | No | No | No | No | Yes | No |

Anticipated Funding Available by Region:

| Region | Total Anticipated Funding Per Region | Maximum Federal Funding Request Per Application |
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| 1 | \$6,200,000 | \$2,000,000 |
| 2 | \$11,400,000 | \$3,500,000 |
| 3 | \$11,900,000 | \$3,500,000 |
| 4 | \$11,800,000 | \$2,500,000 |
| 5 | \$13,900,000 | \$4,000,000 |
| 6 | \$14,000,000 | \$3,000,000 |
| 7 | \$8,000,000 | \$3,500,000 |
| 8 | \$9,700,000 | \$3,000,000 |
| 9 | \$22,200,000 | \$4,500,000 |
| 10 | \$6,200,000 | \$1,500,000 |
| TOTAL | \$115,300,000 | - |

 Between 4 and 10 cooperative agreements per EPA region are funded based on quantity, quality and availability of funds.

Relevant Cost Share Details

| Eligible Technologies | EPA Funding Limit | Mandatory Cost Share |
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| Drayage Truck Replacement | 50% | 50% |
| Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with EPA Certified Engine | 25% | 75% |
| Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with CARB Certified Low NOx Engine | 35% | 65% |
| Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with Zero-tailpipe Emission Power Source | 45% | 55% |
| Engine Replacement with EPA Certified Engine | 40% | 60% |
| Engine Replacement with CARB Certified Low NOx Engine | 50% | 50% |
| Engine Replacement with Zero-tailpipe Emission Power Source | 60% | 40% |
| EPA Certified Remanufacture Systems | 100% | 0% |
| EPA Verified Highway Idle Reduction Technologies when combined with new or previously installed exhaust after-treatment retrofit | 100% | 0% |
| EPA Verified Highway Idle Reduction Technologies without new exhaust after-treatment retrofit | 25% | 75% |
| EPA Verified Locomotive Idle Reduction Technologies | 40% | 60% |
| EPA Verified Marine Shore Connection Systems | 25% | 75% |
| EPA Verified Electrified Parking Space Technologies | 30% | 70% |
| EPA Verified Exhaust After-treatment Retrofits | 100% | 0% |
| EPA Verified Engine Upgrade Retrofits | 100% | 0% |
| EPA Verified Hybrid Retrofit Systems | 60% | 40% |
| EPA Verified Fuel and Additive Retrofits when combined with new retrofit, upgrade, or replacement | Cost differential between conventional diesel fuel | Cost of conventional diesel fuel |
| EPA Verified Aerodynamics and Low Rolling Resistance Tires when combined with new exhaust after-treatment retrofit | 100% | 0% |
| Alternative Fuel Conversion | 40% | 60% |

Process of Application:

Drive Clean Indiana will be your partner in the application process. As the applicant, we will work with you to identify equipment that you are interested in replacing, retrofitting, or updating. Once identified data will be collected to meet grant application requirements. A narrative application and associated documentation will be created and loaded to the electronic federal portal prior to any relevant deadlines. Once a project is approved and awarded; we will work with you to complete any reporting requirements, provide company and community education / outreach to share project benefits, and work to promote the positive benefits achieved.

Equipment Replacement Process: Notification of award and grant documentation will be signed off on. New equipment will be ordered and delivered. Then we will scrap the old piece of equipment by documenting the 3" hole in the engine block. New equipment will be paid for/installed, and all relevant costs must be proven. Then we will submit for reimbursement in a timely manner.