# **Funding Opportunities**

### Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust and Texas Emissions Reduction Plan

### **Presentation**

- Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Overview and Status
- Volkswagen Environmental MitigationTrust: New Funding Opportunity for Texas

#### Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP)





# What is TERP?

- Provides grants to reduce nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>X</sub>) emissions from mobile sources
- Supports programs to encourage the use of alternative fuels for transportation in Texas
- Helps to keep the air in Texas clean

#### **GET MONEY TO UPGRADE OR REPLACE YOUR TRUCK OR EQUIPMENT - AND KEEP THE AIR CLEAN!**



Ground level ozone is created by chemical reactions of  $NO_X$  and volatile organic compounds (VOC) in the presence of sunlight.

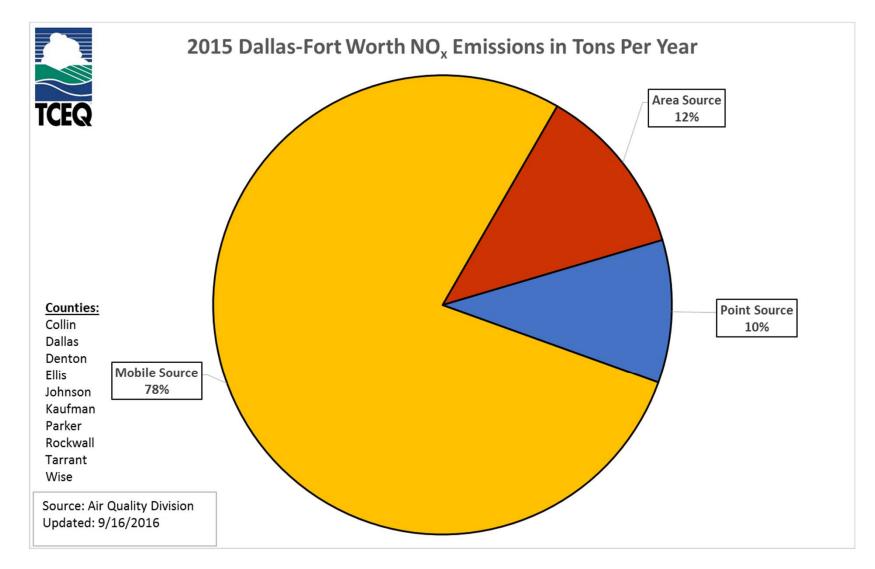
### <u>NO<sub>x</sub> + VOC + Sunlight = OZONE</u>



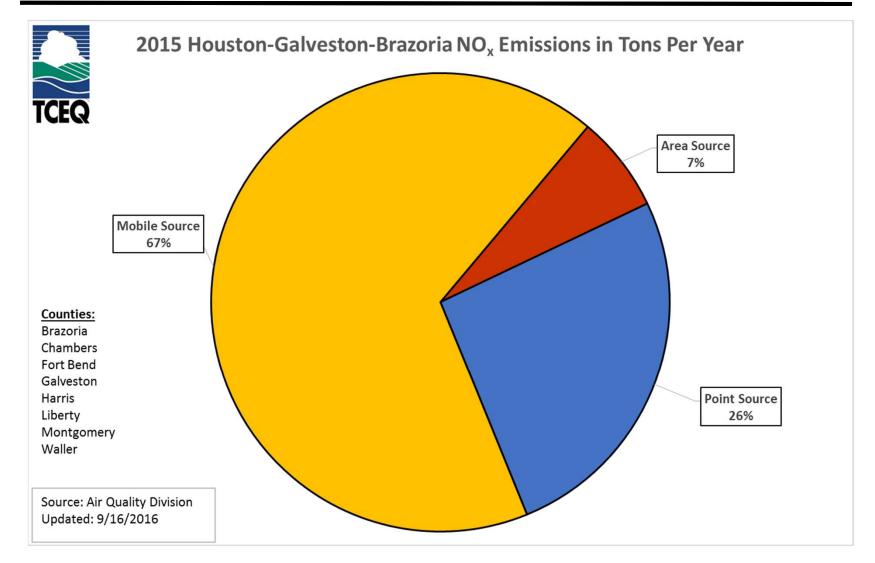
# **Mobile Sources of NO<sub>X</sub>**



### NO<sub>X</sub> Emissions by Source Dallas-Fort Worth Area



### NO<sub>X</sub> Emissions by Source Houston-Galveston-Brazoria Area

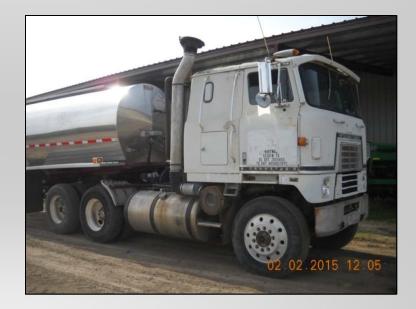




### How Does TERP Reduce NO<sub>X</sub> Emissions from Mobile Sources?

- Through the early retirement of heavy-duty vehicles and pieces of equipment, particularly those with large diesel engines
- By replacing or upgrading older engines with newer models or retrofit systems with more stringent federal emission standards for NO<sub>X</sub> and other pollutants







• Owns a small trucking company in Houston, Texas.

• Owned and operated a 1989 Peterbilt dump truck.

 Operates 100% of the time in the Houston area hauling sand and gravel between job sites.





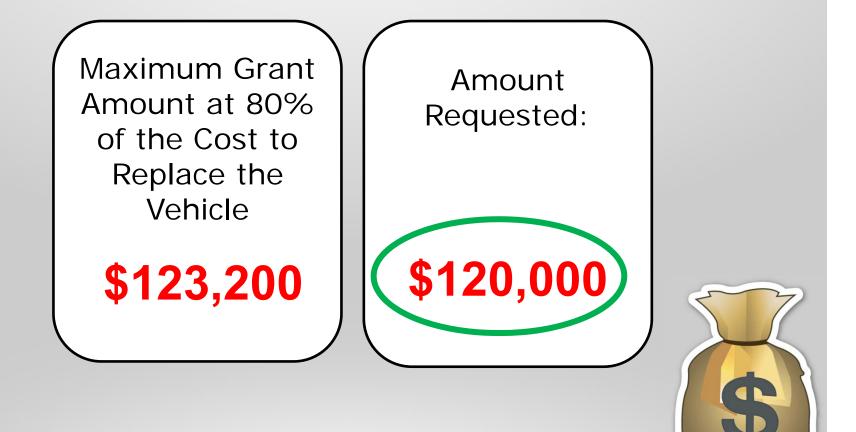


After comparing the emissions of the vehicle being replaced and the emissions of the vehicle being purchased, the owner found it hard to believe that not only would TERP help him replace his old truck, the new truck would emit 98% fewer emissions than his old one.





### New Vehicle Cost = \$154,000







#### Grantee was reimbursed \$120,000 Grantee was left with a balance of only \$34,000



# Is there a TERP Grant for You?

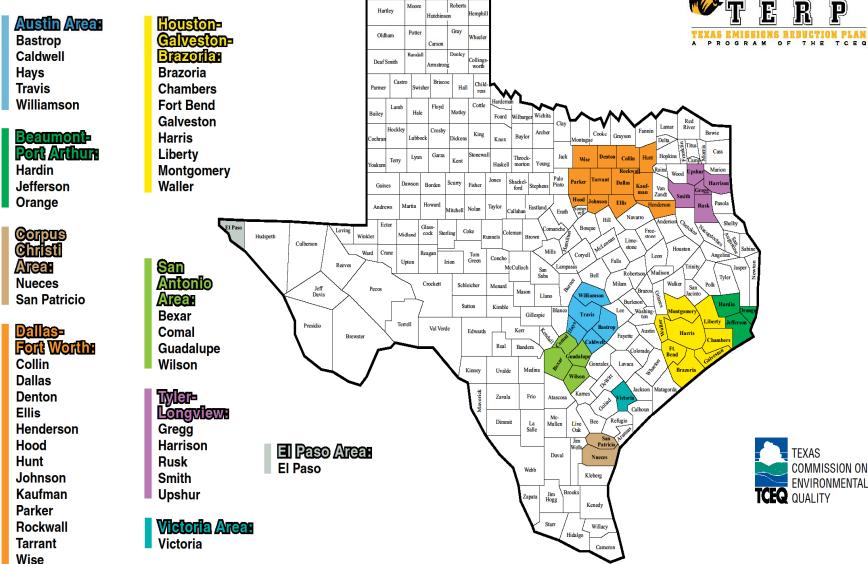
Diesel Emissions Reduction Incentive (DERI) Program

Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants (ERIG) Program Rebate Grants Program Third-Party Grants Program

- Seaport and Rail Yard Areas (SPRY) Emissions Reduction Program
- Texas Clean Fleet Program (TCFP)
- Texas Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program (TNGVGP)
- Alternative Fueling Facilities Program (AFFP)
- Texas Clean School Bus Program (TCSB)
- New Technology Implementation Grant (NTIG) Program

#### Diesel Emissions Reduction Incentive Program Eligible Counties





Ochiltre

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### **Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants**

A competitive grant program that provides incentives to repower or replace older heavy-duty vehicles, non-road equipment, locomotives, marine vessels, and stationary equipment

#### Eligible replacement vehicles and equipment include:

- Diesel Engines
- Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Equipment
- Hybrid Vehicles and Equipment
- Idle Reduction Infrastructure
- Refueling Infrastructure



# **Rebate Grants**

Limited to replacement or repower of heavy-duty on-road diesel vehicles and select non-road equipment

- Faster, simpler process for projects consistent with the ERIG requirements
- First-come, first-served quicker selection process
- On-road diesel vehicles and equipment may be replaced with diesel, natural gas, propane, or electric-powered vehicles



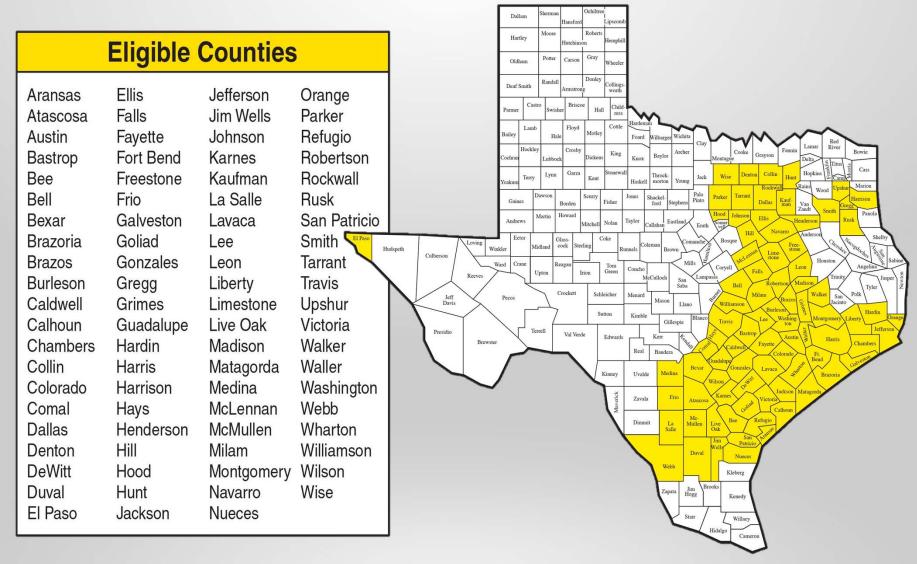
#### Seaport and Rail Yard Areas Emissions Reduction Program

Provides incentives for the replacement of older drayage trucks and cargo handling equipment operating at seaports and Class I rail yards in areas of Texas designated as nonattainment on a firstcome, first-served basis

- Eligible applicants must operate at eligible seaports and Class I intermodal rail yards located in the state's air quality nonattainment areas.
- Other participating facilities of the Houston Ship Channel Security District (HSCSD) may also be considered.
- Models of drayage trucks and other equipment eligible for replacement under this program include:
  - Heavy-duty on-road vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) over 26,000 pounds
  - Non-road yard trucks
  - Other non-road cargo handling equipment



### **Clean Transportation Zone**





# **Texas Clean Fleet Program**

# Provides incentives to owners of large fleets in Texas to replace diesel vehicles with alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles

- This program allows for replacement of light-duty and heavyduty diesel vehicles.
- Applicants must own at least 75 vehicles and operate those vehicles in Texas.
- Applicants must apply to replace at least 10 vehicles.
- Replacement vehicles must be hybrid vehicles or vehicles fueled by one of the following alternative fuels: Electricity, Compressed Natural Gas (CNG), Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), Hydrogen, Propane (LPG), or methanol (85% by volume).
- Vehicles must operate in the Clean Transportation Zone.



Provides grants for the replacement and repower of heavy-duty and medium-duty vehicles and engines with heavy-duty and medium-duty compressed or liquefied natural gas (CNG or LNG) and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) vehicles and engines

- Awards are made on a first-come, first-served basis.
- The new engine must be certified to emit no more than 0.2 grams per brake horsepower-hour of NO<sub>X</sub>.
- Vehicles must be operated in the Clean Transportation Zone.



#### **Alternative Fueling Facilities Program**

- Provides grants for the construction or expansion of facilities to dispense natural gas
- Provides grants for the construction or expansion of facilities to dispense other alternative fuels
  - Eligible Alternative Fuels include: Biodiesel, Hydrogen, Methanol (85% by volume), Natural Gas, Propane, and Electricity.
  - Facilities must be in the Clean Transportation Zone.



### **Texas Clean School Bus Program**

The Texas Clean School Bus Program is a statewide program designed to reduce the potential for exposure of children and the public to pollutants from diesel exhaust from school buses.

- Projects may include retrofitting school buses with diesel oxidation catalysts, diesel particulate filters, and emissionsreducing add-on equipment.
- Projects may now also include replacement of older school buses with a new bus.
- This program has focused on the reduction of particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) in diesel exhaust by replacing or retrofitting older school buses.
- With the addition of replacement projects, the program also reduces NO<sub>X</sub> in the area of operation.



### **New Technology Implementation Grants**

The purpose of this grant program is to offset the cost of the implementation of existing technologies that reduce the emissions from facilities and other stationary sources in Texas.

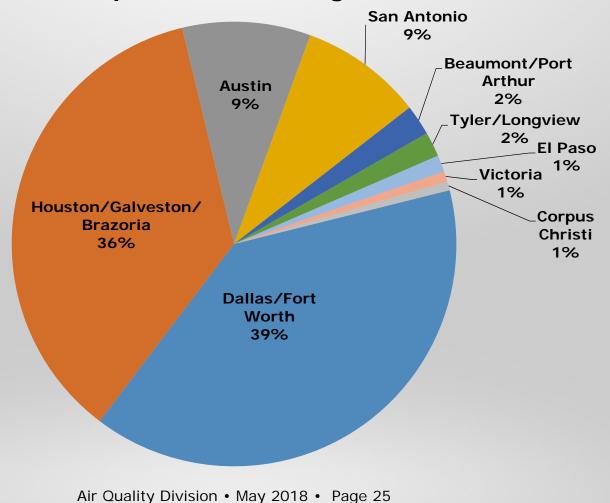
Eligible categories include:

- Advanced Clean Energy Projects
- Electricity Storage related to renewable energy
- New Technology projects that reduce emissions from regulated pollutants from stationary sources
- New Technology projects that reduce emissions from upstream and midstream oil and gas activities – completions, production, gathering, storage, processing, and transmission



# How Are We Doing?

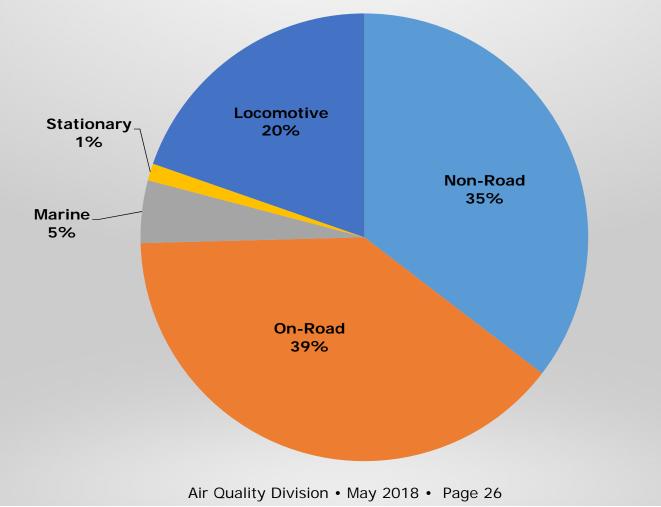
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# **How Are We Doing?**

#### DERI Funds Awarded by Emission Source September 2001 - August 2017

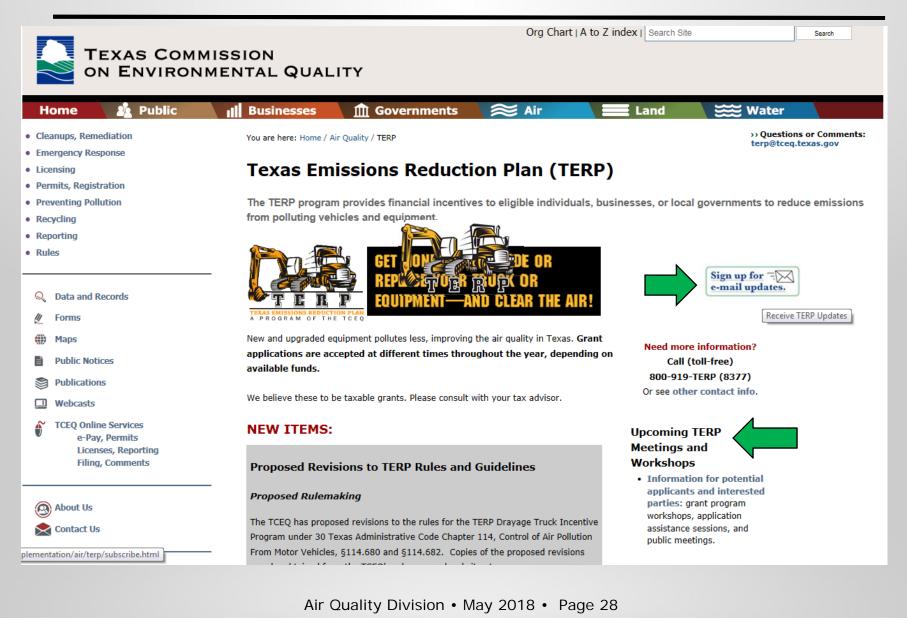


### TERP Funding and Implementation FY 2018 – 2019

| Program  | FY 18<br>Funding | FY 19<br>Funding | Planned Opening   |
|--|------------------|------------------|---|
| <ul> <li>Diesel Emissions Reduction</li> <li>Incentive</li> <li>Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants</li> <li>Rebate Grants</li> </ul> | \$33.2M          | \$39.2M          | May 2018  |
| Texas Natural Gas Vehicle Grants<br>Program  | \$7.7M           | \$7.7M           | Now open through May<br>31, 2019, or until all<br>funds awarded |
| Seaport and Rail Yard Areas<br>Emissions Reduction Program   | \$4.6M           | \$4.6M           | October 2018  |
| Texas Clean Fleet Program  | \$3.9M           | \$3.9M           | July 2018   |
| Light-Duty Motor Vehicle Purchase<br>or Lease Incentive Program  | \$3.9M           | \$3.9M           | June 2018   |
| Texas Clean School Bus Program   | \$3.1M           | \$3.1M           | Next round Fall 2018  |
| Alternative Fueling Facilities<br>Program  | \$6M             | \$0              | Ended April 2018  |
| New Technology Implementation<br>Grants  | \$2.3M           | \$2.3M           | Next round June 2018  |



# **TERP Email Updates**





# **TERP Contact Information**

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### Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust

### **EPA Complaint**

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) complaint filed January 1, 2016 against Volkswagon (VW) and subsidiary companies
- 500,000 model year 2009-2015 2.0 liter diesel vehicles and approximately 80,000 model year 2009-2016 3.0 liter diesel vehicles
- The engine control module (ECM) on each subject vehicle contained computer algorithms to the emission control systems causing higher NO<sub>X</sub> emissions during normal operation than during emissions testing

### Resolution

• The EPA, California, and VW resolved this case through three partial consent decrees.

### Remedies

- Buyback/Lease Termination and Vehicle Modification Recall Program (visit <u>www.vwcourtsettlement.com</u>)
- Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Investment Commitment (visit <u>www.electrifyamerica.com</u>)
- Environmental Mitigation Trust

- \$2.9 billion is allocated among the states, Indian tribes, Puerto Rico, and District of Columbia.
- There are two trusts: one for Indian tribes and one for states and territories.
- Texas' share from the state trust is at least \$209,319,163.
- Funding allocation is generally based on the number of impacted VW vehicles in each jurisdiction.

#### Trustee

- On March 15, 2017, the court appointed Wilmington Trust N.A. to serve as Trustee.
- The final Trust Agreement was filed with the court and became effective October 2, 2017.
- The Trustee filed the designation of beneficiaries with the court on January 29, 2018; Texas was included as a designated beneficiary.

#### Lead Agency

• Governor Abbott selected the TCEQ as the Lead Agency to administer the program in Texas.

#### **Beneficiary Mitigation Plan**

- Must be filed not later than 30 days before submission of the first funding request.
- Summarizes how the Beneficiary plans to use the funds, addressing:
  - 1. Overall goal for use of the funds
  - 2. Categories of Mitigation Actions and preliminary assessment of the percentages of funds anticipated to be used for each type of action
  - 3. Description of how the Beneficiary will consider the potential beneficial impact on air quality in areas that bear a disproportionate share of the air pollution burden
  - 4. General description of the expected ranges of air emissions benefits

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#### **Public Comment**

- The TCEQ will release a draft plan for public comment in the near future and will schedule public meetings in different regions of the state.
- The public comment period will last for up to 90 days.
- The final plan will be sent to the Trustee, after which the TCEQ will begin implementing the grant programs outlined in the approved plan.
- Visit the TCEQ's VW website <u>www.TexasVWFund.org</u> for information and to sign up for email notices regarding the availability of the draft plan for review.

#### **Funding Requests**

- Beneficiaries have up to 10 years to spend at least 80% of their allocation; an additional five years is available if the 80% minimum is met.
- Beneficiaries may request up to 1/3 during the first year, or 2/3 during the first two years.
- Beneficiaries may use Trust Funds for actual administrative expenditures associated with implementing each Eligible Mitigation Action, not to exceed 15% of the total cost of the Eligible Mitigation Action. The TCEQ intends to use much less than the authorized maximum amount for administration.

### Eligible Mitigation Actions under the Trust Agreement

- Class 8 Local Freight Trucks and Port Drayage Trucks
- Class 4-8 School Bus, Shuttle Bus, or Transit Bus
- Freight Switchers
- Ferries/Tugs (repower only)
- Ocean Going Vessels (OGV) Shorepower
- Class 4-7 Local Freight Trucks
- Airport Ground Support Equipment (electric)
- Forklifts and Cargo Handling Equipment (electric)
- Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment
- Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) Option

#### Eligible Mitigation Actions – Percentage of Cost Limits

In general, the Trust Agreement allows for reimbursement of Repower or Replacement costs at the following rates:

- Non-Governmental Electric: 75%
- Non-Governmental Repower: 40%
- Non-Governmental Replacement: 25%
- Governmental (all categories): 100%

Shorepower projects may be reimbursed at 25% for nongovernmental and 100% for governmental projects

Light-Duty ZEV Supply Equipment projects may be reimbursed based on a range of percentages, depending upon the type of facility (government, non-government, workplace, multi-family units, etc.)

### **VW Contact Information**

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