Fact Sheet: The TIMBER Program

Helping California’s log truck owners reduce pollution

The Carl Moyer Truck Improvement/Modernization Benefitting Emission Reductions (TIMBER) Program provides a streamlined approach for replacing older, high-polluting heavy-duty log trucks with cleaner-than-required log trucks. TIMBER funds help reduce some of the costs associated with replacing a log truck with a new (not used) log truck.

How much TIMBER funding may a truck owner receive?

Voucher amounts range from $10,000 to $60,000. In general, the older the engine model year and the higher the yearly mileage, the larger the funding award.

Who can take advantage of TIMBER?

Eligible applicants must:

- select the Truck and Bus Regulation Log Truck Phase-In option by January 31, 2014 (if they have not already done so).
  
  This phase-in option is a replacement-only compliance path which allows log trucks to skip the requirement for obtaining a retrofit.

  Selecting this option requires

  - meeting the definition of a log truck as stated in the “Truck and Bus Regulation Log Truck Phase-In Option” factsheet, available at http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/onrdiesel/documents/faqlogtrucks.pdf.

  - registering in the TRUCRS database. How to register in TRUCRS is explained at www.arb.ca.gov/dieseltruck or by calling the diesel hotline at (866) 6DIESEL (866-634-3735).

- have log truck(s) with at least 75 percent of their operation (miles traveled or fuel consumed) over the last two years within California (partial registration for three months per year may still be eligible).

Note: A log truck can be based out of state and still be eligible but must be registered under the California IRP (See http://www.dmv.ca.gov/vehindustry/irp/irpinfo.htm).

What replacement vehicles are eligible for TIMBER?

- New 2010 or newer engine model year log trucks with California certified engines (0.50 g/bhp-hr NOx and 0.01 g/bhp-hr PM or cleaner) purchased through any participating dealership

- New log truck must have minimum annual usage of 7,000 miles (or 1,200 gallons of diesel fuel consumed).

Where can you apply for TIMBER funding?

Truck owners can apply at any participating dealership listed at www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/timber/dealerlist/dealerlist_timber.htm

What is the process for applying for funds?

- The buyer fills out and submits a completed TIMBER application and required documentation at a participating dealership.

- The dealership forwards the application to any participating air district.

- The air district evaluates and approves the completed application within ten business days.

- The owner is responsible for the cost of the vehicle minus the TIMBER voucher amount.

Are there additional participant requirements?

Yes. The participant must agree to:

- return annual usage reports as requested by the air district for three years
• operate the vehicle at least 75% of the time within California for three years
• allow the Air Resources Board to verify registration and inspect the vehicle for three years
• not fund more than 10 log trucks under common ownership per year

What happens to the old log truck in a replacement project?
The old log truck is destroyed.

I have a log truck that occasionally carries construction materials during the off-season. Am I eligible for TIMBER funding?
No. The log truck must be used exclusively for logging to meet the definition of a log truck as stated in the “Truck and Bus Regulation Log Truck Phase-in Option” factsheet available at http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/onrdiesel/documents/faqlogtrucks.pdf.

More information about TIMBER can be obtained at www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/timber/timber.htm or by calling 866-6DIESEL.

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