

# Ohio Diesel Coalition

MCDI Leadership Group  
Meeting

July 1, 2010

# Background on Ohio Diesel Coalition



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Members include Ohio Chamber of Commerce, Greater Cleveland Partnership, MPOs, Contractor's Association, OEC, Clean Fuels Ohio, others...

Creation- A core group did the heavy lifting early on (Caterpillar, Ohio Environmental Council, Greater Cleveland Partnership, Clean Fuels of Ohio, MORPC)

**Success Tip No.1: Find key people to do the work**



# Ohio Diesel Coalition Strategy

Goal 1: Raise awareness regarding of benefits of diesel.

- ◆ Economic- creates jobs
- ◆ Non-attainment- piece of the puzzle
- ◆ Environmental benefits



Goal 2: Start a Ohio funded Clean Program

- ◆ Build off success of pre-existing Ohio EPA clean school bus program
- ◆ Funding, funding, funding- CMAQ underutilized

Success Tip #2: Spend your time on areas of agreement

# Two Rounds for Funding

## DERG Created in 2007-2008 Budget

- ❖ Transfer \$6,288,771 in FY2008 to Diesel Emission Reduction Fund
- ❖ Transfer \$12,646,521 in FY2009 to Diesel Emission Reduction Fund.

Round 1: 10 recipients for \$6.28 million in funding. Last project was funded in 2010

Round 2 (6/29/10): 16 recipients.

10 recipients for \$10.83 million

6 recipients waiting to be funded for \$1.81



**Success Tip #3- Program must be administered by Agency that will be a champion.**

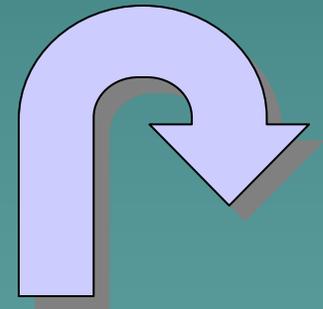
# Diesel Coalition at a Cross-Roads

SFY 2010-2011 Coalition secures \$15 million in funding from Legislature.

Governor Strickland vetoed DERG funding provision

- Directs ODOT to spend \$5 million in CMAQ funds on DERG
- Coalition still pushing for release of the RFP

Coalition goes in-active



**Success Tip #4: Keep meeting even when lose direction**

# Ohio Diesel Coalition Plans for 2010

Objective 1: Secure release of \$5 million for 3<sup>rd</sup> Round of DERG

Objective 2: Re-invigorate our awareness campaign

- Caterpillar held May event
- Fall media event

Objective 3: Create *Clean Diesel Committee*

- Coalition members, State Agencies, Legislative Staff
- Study long term funding options
- State faces major deficit



# Other Diesel Grants...

## ARRA: 2009

- Application was submitted on behalf of 12 projects (on/off road private/public.)
- Ohio was awarded with approximately \$4.9 million.
- ODOD will administer the funds – Ohio EPA technical support.

# ARRA: 2010

- Slow start.
- New and more requirements....
- \$1.5 million spent to date.
- 14.115 FTEs.
- Most project will be finalized COB September 30, 2010 deadline.
- 2 or 3 projects beyond deadline.

# ARRA: 2010

Entity	Technology	QTY	% Complete
Hopkins	APU	21	20%
Hopkins	DOC & CCV	21	20%
Columbus City Schools	Diesel-Electric Hybrid Buses	6	30%
Columbus and Ohio River Rail	Repower	1	40%
CSX	Repower	1	55%
DOT	DPF	31	15%
DOT	DOC & CCV	82	15%
Miller Brothers Construction	Repower	4	33%
Ohio Turnpike Commission	DOC & CCV	16	20%
Ohio Turnpike Commission	FOH	55	70%
Ohio Turnpike Commission	DMF	2	20%
Ohio Turnpike Commission	DOC	11	20%
Ohio Turnpike Commission	Replacement	8	20%
Stein	Repower	10	80%
Sunesis Construction	Repower	1	100%
TRO	APU	64	47%

# Issues for Leadership

- ◆ Federal and States governments face major funding challenges.
- ◆ We need a sustainable funding mechanism.
- ◆ We need a State agency with knowledge and motivation to help administer funds.
- ◆ How could we be more innovative in securing funding?
- ◆ How to keep momentum when opportunities arise? (Ex: ARRA funding)
- ◆ What are MCDI's goals going forward?

Thanks!