

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Marci Henson, Director, Department of Environment and Sustainability

Recommendation:

Accept and approve the Clark County School District (CCSD) Fiscal Year 2023 expenditure summary of air quality penalty funds and the CCSD fiscal year 2024 proposal for expenditure of air quality penalty funds. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2270	Fund Name:	Air Quality Management
Fund Center:	1300210000	Funded PGM/Grant:	N/A
Amount:	\$660,089.73		
Description:	Air Quality Penalties		
Additional Comments:	Annual transfer of air quality penalty funds to Clark County School District.		

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to NRS 445B.500(3), civil penalty money collected for violations of the Air Quality Regulations in excess of \$17,500 must be transferred to the Clark County School District (CCSD). CCSD may spend air quality penalty money only in accordance with an annual spending plan approved by the Board of County Commissioners. NRS 445B.500(3) specifies that the annual plan shall be approved if the expenditures are reasonable and limited to programs of education on topics related to air quality and projects that improve air quality.

As of June 30, 2023, Clark County has \$660,089.73 available to transfer for CCSD's use.

The proposed expenditure of penalty funds for fiscal year 2024 in the amount of \$1,413,035.09 reflects both the \$660,089.73 available for transfer and the \$752,945.36 balance carried over from fiscal year 2023. The proposed expenditure includes continuation of support for the Pollen Monitoring and Education Program conducted by CCSD and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; continuation of support for the Las Vegas Science and Technology Festival; science and technology professional development for teachers and staff; development and support for units of classroom instruction regarding clean air, ozone awareness, and health and safety issues related to air quality; acquisition of instructional materials that are aligned with the revised Nevada Academic Content Standards for Science; and evaluation of the feasibility and implementation of air quality improvement projects within CCSD in partnership with the Clark County Department of Environment and Sustainability, including, but not limited to, bus fleet conversions, traffic management plans to reduce idling of school buses, and energy efficiency and air quality improvement projects throughout CCSD facilities. The proposed expenditure also includes the ability for CCSD to be flexible in spending allocated funding between air quality improvement projects and instructional categories.

Cleared for Agenda

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