



El Dorado County

Air Quality Management District

Operations Overview and FY2026/27 Proposed Budget

Presented to the El Dorado County AQMD Board of Directors at a public workshop on June 9, 2026



County Air Districts – Budgeting Requirements

Dictated by California Health and Safety Code – Sections 40130 & 40131

- Air districts must adopt their budgets through an open, independent process to ensure public participation
- Proposed budgets must be available to the public at least 30 days before the hearing
- All current permit holders must be notified of the hearing details and the availability of the proposed budget
- A public hearing must be held at least two weeks before the meeting where the budget is adopted



What do we do?



The AQMD works to improve air quality and the quality of life for El Dorado County residents by implementing control measures that reduce emissions from stationary sources, enforcing local, state, and federal air regulations and administering several emission-reduction grant and incentive programs.

- Permitting and Inspections of Stationary Sources
- Enforcement of Air Quality Regulations
- Construction Site Dust
- Administer Residential and Prescribed Burning Programs
- Award Incentives and Grants

Program	Details	Emission Reductions
Prescribed Burn Program	<p><u>Prescribed fire acres*</u>:</p> <p>2020: 6,044 <u>requested</u>– 3,935 burned</p> <p>2021: 1,494 requested – 1,400 burned</p> <p>2022: 3,569 requested – 3,176 burned</p> <p>2023: 9,299 requested – 5,442 burned</p> <p>2024: 3,805 requested – 1,710 burned</p> <p>2025: 4,309 requested – 2,058 burned</p> <p><i>*Discrepancies between the requested and actual acres burned are mainly due to limited requester resources and weather conditions.</i></p>	<p>Prescribed Fire PM: 1,564 tons/acre</p> <p>Wildfire PM: 3,129 tons/acre</p> <p>Every acre treated with prescribed fire produces approximately 1/2 of the PM emissions that a wildfire would produce for the same acre.</p> <p>In 2025 particulate matter emissions were reduced by approximately 3.22M tons by performing prescribed fires in El Dorado County.</p>
Residential Burning Program	<p>Administered burn violators training course, patrol, and 24/7 complaint response.</p> <p>Launched ElDoradoBurnPermit.org to allow easy access to prescribed burn information, daily burn status, and apply for an EDC AQMD burn permit. 127,598 visits from 5/22/2025 - 5/22/2026</p>	<p>Reduced illegal materials burning and burning on unfavorable days</p>



FY2025-26 Grant & Incentive Accomplishments

Funded 6 agricultural equipment replacements and 1 electric school bus with Carl Moyer grants

Funded the installation of electric bus charging infrastructure for Black Oak Mine Union School District with a Community Air Protection grant

Incentivized the replacement of 259 pieces of gas-powered lawn equipment with cordless electric lawn equipment

Incentivized the replacement of 59 non-EPA certified woodstoves in El Dorado County

Incentivized the purchase of 31 electric or plug-in-hybrid vehicles

Incentivized the installation of 40 residential EV chargers

EXAMPLES – Grant projects funded in FY2025-26





FY2025-26 Awarded Grants

- Forebay Park parking lot paving project (Discretionary funds & CAP)
- 2026 & 2027 Emerald Bay Shuttle (AB2766)
- 2026 & 2027 El Dorado County Fair Shuttle (AB2766)
- 2026 & 2027 Coloma Shuttle (AB2766)
- 2026 & 2027 Cameron Park CSD Summer Spectacular Shuttle (AB2766)
- 2026 & 2027 El Dorado County Chamber Stay & Play Shuttle (AB2766)
- Cameron Park CSD Fleet Electrification & EV Charger Projects (AB2766)
- City of Placerville Fleet Electrification & EV Charger Project (AB2766)
- 2 Carl Moyer grants to replace agricultural equipment – with more in process

Summary – FY2026/27 Proposed Budget

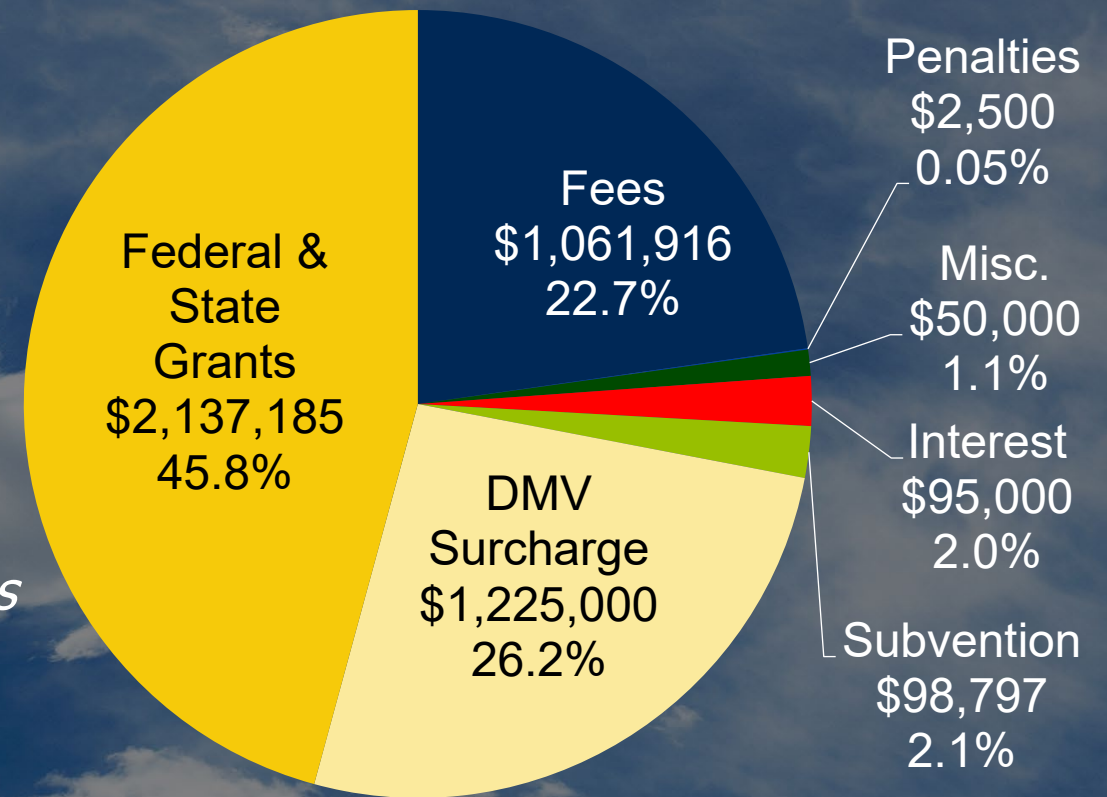
Total Revenue Budget - \$8.63M

- Use of fund balance - \$3.96M

- New Revenue - \$4.67M

- *Federal & State Grants And State Programs*
- *DMV Vehicle Registration Surcharge*
- *Operating Permit and Dust Mitigation Plan Fees & Penalties*
- *Subvention Funding*
- *Interest Earned*
- *Miscellaneous Revenue*

New Revenue Breakdown

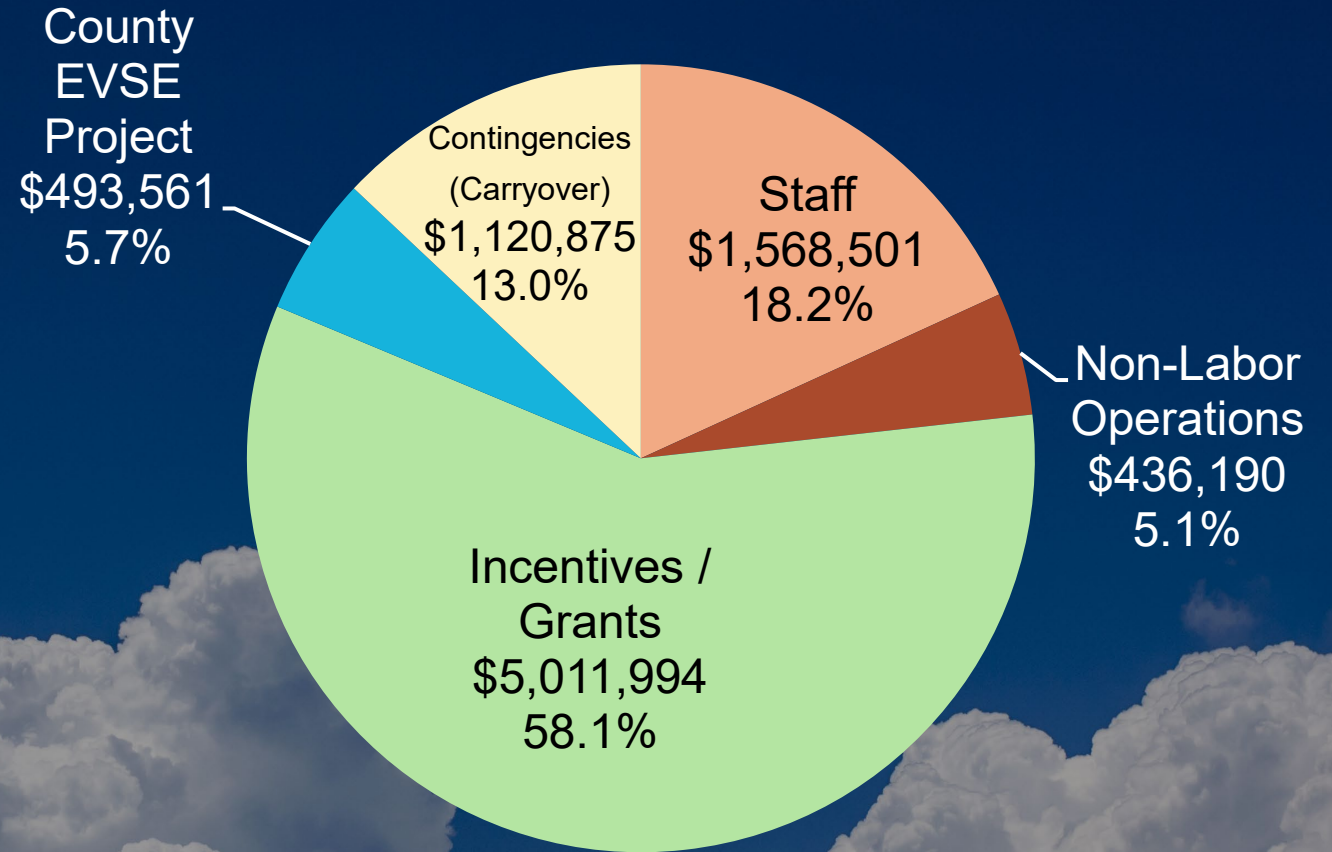


Summary – FY2026/27 Proposed Budget

Total Expenditure Budget - \$8.63M

- *9.0 FTE Staff Salary & Benefits*
- *Non-Labor Operations Costs*
- *Incentive/Grant Programs*
- *County Offices EV Charger Changeout Project*
- *Appropriation for Contingencies (Carryover into future fiscal years)*

Total Expenditure Breakdown



QUESTIONS?

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Website

<https://www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/Land-Use/Air-Quality-Management>



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