

NDDEQ seeking applications for Volkswagen settlement funding

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality (NDDEQ) is again accepting applications for project funding from the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust. Eligible projects, outlined in North Dakota’s mitigation plan, reduce emissions of the pollutant nitrogen oxide (NO_x).

During this year of the project, the NDDEQ may issue up to \$2.7 million in funding from the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust to replace or repower various eligible vehicles and equipment. Due to the concentration on electrical charging stations last year, the department will focus on other options to reduce nitrogen oxide in this funding period. Funding will be available to government and non-government entities for projects that mitigate the negative air quality impacts caused by Volkswagen’s use of emissions testing defeat devices in their vehicles sold and operated in the United States. North Dakota’s share of the trust is approximately \$8.1 million.

More information, program guidelines and all the necessary application materials are available at <https://deq.nd.gov/AQ/planning/VW.aspx>. Applications can be mailed to the Division of Air Quality, 918 E Divide Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58501-1947, or emailed to airquality@nd.gov. The application deadline is Friday, Nov. 6, 2020, at 5 p.m.

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