



# Department of Environmental Quality



To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.

Dave Freudenthal, Governor

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## American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)

**Program: Diesel Emissions Reduction Act**

**Total ARRA Dollars: \$300 Million**

**Wyoming State Grant Share: \$1.73 Million**

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Diesel engines are a significant source of emissions and EPA has established the clean diesel program to address these emissions. This is a voluntary program that offers the potential for significant reductions in emissions. The Wyoming Clean Diesel Program is administered jointly between the Department of Environmental Quality's Air Quality Division and Pollution Prevention Program.

The ARRA funding for the Diesel Emissions Reduction Program is divided into State share grants and competitive grants. Funds can be used for a variety of initiatives to reduce emissions from diesel engines.

### Wyoming State Grant

The Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Clean Diesel Program is currently working with the Wyoming Department of Education and local school districts to identify areas where direct grant funding can be used to purchase and implement verified and emerging technology, particularly retrofit or replacement of diesel powered school bus fleets.

ARRA grant funding will come through EPA to the DEQ through reimbursed expenditures. The project proposal for ARRA funding was submitted to EPA on March 20, 2009. Current guidance from EPA directs that 100% of the funding will need to be expended by September 30, 2010. Notice of award for the State portion of funding is expected from EPA on April 17, 2009.

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## **Competitive Grant Funds**

There are three types of competitive grant programs:

1. National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program
2. SmartWay Clean Diesel Finance Program
3. National Emerging Technology Program

The National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance and the SmartWay Clean Diesel Finance request for applications will close on April 28, 2009.

The National Emerging Technology request for applications will close on May 5, 2009.

Detailed information regarding the Diesel Emission Reduction Act program and ARRA funding are available on EPA's website at <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/eparecovery/>.