



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT
AWARDS / CONTRACTS / GRANTS

☐ Award ☐ Contract ☒ Grant

Requested Board Meeting Date: May 6, 2025

* = Mandatory, information must be provided

or Procurement Director Award: ☐

*Contractor/Vendor Name/Grantor (DBA):

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ)

*Project Title/Description:

Pima County Dept. of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) Voluntary No Drive Day/Clean Air Program

*Purpose:

The purpose of the award is to administer and fund the PDEQ Voluntary No Drive Day/Clean Air Program (VNDD/CAP), as required by Arizona Revised Statute 49-506 and Pima County Code 17.44.020. ADEQ is providing funding for the program for the 2025-2026 fiscal year and it will be administered by PDEQ in accordance with the Scope of Work outlined in the new contract.

*Procurement Method:

The grant award did not require PCAO's review or signature.

*Program Goals/Predicted Outcomes:

The principle goal is to reduce vehicle emissions that contribute to air pollution by encouraging drivers within Pima County to drive less and not drive on certain days, and by increasing public awareness of air quality issues and the connection between driving and air quality.

*Public Benefit:

In the past, Pima County has experienced violations of the EPA National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). To help prevent further deterioration, several initiatives were developed to reduce air pollution within Pima County, including the VNDD/CAP. There have been no violations of the EPA air quality standard for carbon monoxide since the program was initiated. However, in 2018, air quality in eastern Pima County violated the more protective EPA ozone standard for the first time. Since motor vehicles contribute to ozone precursors and many community members have respiratory ailments or heart disease (which puts them at risk when air quality is unhealthy), it is important to continue to educate residents about air quality issues and encourage community actions to reduce driving and reduce the public's exposure. The Rillito area has also violated the PM10 air quality standard and has been designated as a non-attainment area so efforts are also made to educate the public about reducing dust emissions.

*Metrics Available to Measure Performance:

Quarterly reports sent to ADEQ track the progress of the VNDD/CAP tasks and activity metrics. Invoices and requests for reimbursements will also be sent each quarter within 60 days after the end of the quarter and 30 days after the end of the last quarter. An annual telephone and internet survey performed by an outside consultant evaluates aspects of the VNDD/CAP, such as community-wide alternate mode use and awareness of program activities. PDEQ also submits an annual report to ADEQ that includes a narrative summary of the activities and tasks for the fiscal year that were successful and a discussion of how the program will be improved during the next year. PDEQ also provides estimates of total emission reductions for CO, VOCs, PM10, PM2.5, and NOx, as well as total emissions saved for the program year.

*Retroactive:

No

Call approves
K. B. [Signature] for K. Kelly
4/14/2025

THE APPLICABLE SECTION(S) BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED

Click or tap the boxes to enter text. If not applicable, indicate "N/A". Make sure to complete mandatory (*) fields

Contract / Award Information

Document Type: _____ Department Code: _____ Contract Number (i.e., 15-123): _____
 Commencement Date: _____ Termination Date: _____ Prior Contract Number (Synergen/CMS): _____
☐ Expense Amount \$ _____ * ☐ Revenue Amount: \$ _____

***Funding Source(s) required:** _____

Funding from General Fund? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ _____ % _____

Contract is fully or partially funded with Federal Funds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, is the Contract to a vendor or subrecipient? _____

Were insurance or indemnity clauses modified? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, attach Risk's approval.

Vendor is using a Social Security Number? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, attach the required form per Administrative Procedure 22-10.

Amendment / Revised Award Information

Document Type: _____ Department Code: _____ Contract Number (i.e., 15-123): _____
 Amendment No.: _____ AMS Version No.: _____
 Commencement Date: _____ New Termination Date: _____
 Prior Contract No. (Synergen/CMS): _____
☐ Expense ☐ Revenue ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease Amount This Amendment: \$ _____

Is there revenue included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ _____

***Funding Source(s) required:** _____

Funding from General Fund? ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes \$ _____ % _____

Grant/Amendment Information (for grants acceptance and awards)

☒ Award ☐ Amendment

Document Type: GRANT Department Code: DE Grant Number (i.e., 15-123): 82522
 Commencement Date: 7/1/2025 Termination Date: 6/30/2026 Amendment Number: _____
☐ Match Amount: \$ _____ ☒ Revenue Amount: \$ 257,272.00

***All Funding Source(s) required:** Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

***Match funding from General Fund?** ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes \$ _____ % _____

***Match funding from other sources?** ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes \$ _____ % _____

***Funding Source:** _____

***If Federal funds are received, is funding coming directly from the Federal government or passed through other organization(s)?**

Contact: Natalie Shepp

Department: Pima County Department of Environmental Quality

Telephone: 520-724-6885

Department Director Signature: Scott DiBiase

Digitally signed by Scott DiBiase
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 Date: 2025.04.07 19:31:46 -07'00'

Date: 4/7/25

Deputy County Administrator Signature: _____

Date: 4/15/2025

County Administrator Signature: _____

Date: 4/16/2025

AGREEMENT

NO. EV25-0038

between the

PIMA COUNTY

and the

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

WHEREAS, **THIS AGREEMENT** is between the **STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY** [hereinafter referred to as the "Department" or "ADEQ"], authorized to contract pursuant to A.R.S. § 49-104(B), and **PIMA COUNTY** [hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee"].

THEREFORE, ADEQ and the Grantee agree to the terms contained in this Agreement.

I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

The purpose of this Agreement is to fund and administer the Pima County Voluntary No Drive Day Program/Clean Air Program pursuant to A.R.S. § 49-506.

This written Agreement includes all terms in this document, Attachment 1 - Scope of Work and Budget, and any modifications approved in accordance herewith.

II. TERM OF AGREEMENT, MODIFICATION, TERMINATION, AND INTEGRATION

- A. This Agreement shall be effective July 1, 2025 and shall terminate on June 30, 2026, contingent upon funding.
- B. The Agreement may be modified or renegotiated for additional periods upon mutual written agreement by ADEQ and the Grantee, by formal contract amendment executed with the same formalities as this Agreement.
- C. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any earlier time by providing written notice to the other party at least thirty (30) days prior to the termination date. The notice shall specify the effective date of termination.
- D. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Agreement No. EV24-0042 remains in effect until June 30, 2025, unless otherwise terminated in accordance therewith.

III. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

- A. ADEQ shall reimburse Grantee up to \$257,272.00 for services rendered pursuant to the attached Scope of Work .
- B. The Grantee shall provide all services outlined in the attached Scope of Work.
- C. See Scope of Work and Budget, Attachment 1.

IV. MANNER OF FINANCING AND PAYMENT

- A. ADEQ shall reimburse Grantee for services rendered pursuant to the attached Scope of Work, not to exceed \$257,272.00.
- B. Invoices shall be paid within thirty days after receipt of an invoice and accompanying documentation that demonstrates the activity was completed.
- C. Reimbursement requests must include detailed support documentation so as to determine that expenses are reasonable, allowable, and allocable to the activities described in the Scope of Work.
- D. A final reimbursement request must be submitted to ADEQ as specified in paragraph XI(A) of this Agreement not later than thirty days after the completion of the project.

V. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

See attached scope of work.

VI. APPLICABLE LAW

- A. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes Title 49 and other laws and regulations of the State of Arizona as applicable, including the Arizona Procurement Code at A.R.S. § 41-2501 *et. seq.* and administrative rules and regulations A.A.C. R2-7-101 *et. seq.*
- B. In the event of any judicial proceeding related to this Agreement or any unauthorized Subcontract the parties agree that venue shall be proper in Maricopa County, Arizona. *See* A.R.S. §§ 12-123 and 12-401(17).
- C. The parties to this Contract agree to resolve all disputes arising out of or relating to this contract through arbitration, after exhausting applicable administrative review, to the extent required by A.R.S. § 12-1518, except as may be required by other applicable statutes (Title 41).

VII. NON-AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

In accordance with A.R.S. § 35-154, every payment obligation of ADEQ under the Agreement is conditioned upon the availability of funds appropriated or allocated for payment of such obligation. If funds are not allocated and available for the continuance of this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by ADEQ at the end of the period for which funds are available. No liability shall accrue to ADEQ in the event this provision is exercised, and ADEQ shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments or for any damages as a result of termination under this paragraph.

VIII. AUDIT

In accordance with A.R.S. § 35-214, the Grantee shall retain and shall contractually require each contractor and subcontractor to retain all data, books and other records ("records") relating to this Agreement for a period of five years after completion of the Agreement. Upon request, the Grantee shall produce the original of any or all such records.

IX. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In accordance with A.R.S. § 38-511, ADEQ may within three years after execution cancel the Agreement, without penalty or further obligation, if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the Agreement on behalf of ADEQ, at any time while the Agreement is in effect, becomes an employee or agent or any other party to the Agreement in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of the Agreement with respect to the matter of the Agreement.

X. NONDISCRIMINATION

All Parties shall comply with all existing federal, state, and local laws, rules, policies, or executive orders, including the Americans with Disabilities Act and State of Arizona Executive Order 2023-1, to prohibit discrimination based on race, color, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth, political or religious affiliation or ideas, culture, creed, social origin or condition, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, military service or veteran status, or marital status by the persons performing the contract or subcontract.

XI. NOTICES

A. Invoices and Payments:

The Grantee shall address all invoices relative to this Agreement to ADEQ to:

Amanda Luecker, Associate Transportation Planner
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
1110 West Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Email: Luecker.Amanda@azdeq.gov

ADEQ shall address all payments relative to this Agreement to:

Natalie Shepp, Environmental Quality Manager
Pima County Dept of Environmental Quality
33 N. Stone Ave., Suite 700
Tucson, AZ 85701
Natalie.shepp@pima.gov

B. Other Notices:

The Grantee shall address all other notices relative to this Agreement to ADEQ to:

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XII. INDEMNIFICATION

Each party (as "Indemnitor") agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the other party (as "Indemnatee") from and against any and all claims, losses, liability, costs, or expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Claims") arising out of bodily injury of any person (including death) or property damage, but only to the extent that such Claims which result in vicarious/derivative liability to the Indemnatee are caused by the act, omission, negligence, misconduct, or other fault of the Indemnitor, its officers, officials, agents, employees, or volunteers. The State of Arizona, (State Agency) is self-insured per A.R.S. 41-621.

In addition, should the Grantee utilize a contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) the indemnification clause between the Grantee and its contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) shall include the following:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Grantee and the State of Arizona, and any jurisdiction or agency issuing any permits for any work arising out of this Agreement, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees (hereinafter referred to as "Indemnatee") from and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including court costs, attorneys' fees, and costs of claim processing, investigation and litigation) (hereinafter referred to as "Claims") for bodily injury or personal injury (including death), or loss or damage to tangible or intangible property caused, or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the contractor or any of the directors, officers, agents, or employees or subcontractors of such contractor. This indemnity includes any claim or amount arising out of or recovered under the Workers' Compensation Law or arising out of the failure of such contractor to conform to any federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation or court decree. It is the specific intention of the parties that the Indemnatee shall, in all instances, except for Claims arising solely from the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the Indemnatee, be indemnified by such contractor from and against any and all claims. It is agreed that such contractor will be responsible for primary loss investigation, defense and judgment costs where this indemnification is applicable. Additionally, on all applicable insurance policies, contractor and its subcontractors shall name the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees as an additional insured and also include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State.

XIII. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is determined to be void or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the remainder of this Agreement, which shall continue to be in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto agree to execute this Agreement.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

PIMA COUNTY

Name: Daniel Czecholinski
Title: Director, Air Quality Division

Chair
Board of Supervisors

Date

Date

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

**Pima County Department of Environmental Quality
Voluntary No-Drive Days Program**

I. BACKGROUND

The Pima County Department of Environmental Quality's (PDEQ) Voluntary No-Drive Days (VNDD) Program (also known as the Clean Air Program) was established in 1989 and is mandated by the omnibus air quality legislation enacted in 1988 (A.R.S. § 49-506) and Pima County Code 17.44.020. The PDEQ VNDD Program is also a permanent and enforceable control measure approved into the most recent Carbon Monoxide Limited Maintenance Plan by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency effective January 20, 2010 [74 FR 67819; 12/21/09].

In the past, Pima County experienced violations of national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS). To prevent further deterioration, several initiatives were developed to reduce air quality emissions in Pima County. The VNDD Program is one of those initiatives. There have been no violations of the EPA NAAQS for carbon monoxide since the program was initiated. However, in 2018, air quality in eastern Pima County violated the more protective 2015 EPA ozone standard for the first time. Since motor vehicle use contributes to ozone precursors, it is important to continue educating residents about air quality issues and encouraging community actions to reduce driving.

II. GOALS & OBJECTIVES

The principal goal of the program is to reduce vehicle emissions that contribute to air pollution by encouraging drivers not to drive on certain days and by increasing public awareness of air quality issues and the connection between driving, air quality and health. In PDEQ's experience, fostering greater community understanding of why residents are being asked to limit driving yields more positive responses to no-drive day events.

PDEQ objectives include a multi-tiered approach and utilize numerous techniques that provide public information and community education about air quality and its relationship to the use of motor vehicles, as well as incentives to choose alternate modes.

1. Support multiple no-drive day events and programs that encourage carpooling, transit use, telecommuting, walking, and biking as alternatives to driving alone.
2. Provide air quality and travel reduction awareness programs and reach a wide range of audiences including youth and adult groups. Air education in youth may instill an understanding and appreciation of air and reaches individuals before driving habits are ingrained. Children may also have a persuasive impact on the adults in their household to drive less. It is important to reach adults directly, as

they are the audience who decide which modes of travel to use, and they need reminders to keep air quality in the scope of consideration during daily activities.

3. Provide adaptive community education programs including speakers' bureau, tabling at business/employer outreaches and community events. Maintain positive media relations and utilize the media and social media by purchasing advertisements, distributing news releases, and issuing Ozone, Dust, and Smoke Action Day alerts.

Over the years, PDEQ has also expanded the objectives of the VNDD Program to include encouraging additional actions that reduce vehicle emissions such as combining errands into one trip, reducing engine idling, maintaining vehicles, and properly inflating tires. During FY2526, PDEQ will continue to strive to decrease vehicle miles traveled in Pima County by 1.75 percent.

III. TASKS & ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE AIR AWARENESS AND EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

To enhance awareness of ground-level ozone and particulate matter, encourage no-drive days and vehicle emissions reductions, and protect public health, PDEQ staff will engage in several tasks and activities described in the chart below.

Tasks	Activities
1. Host and assist with planning, organizing, sponsoring and/or staffing community-wide events and programs.	Collaborate with other agencies, schools, businesses, and groups to advance No-Drive Days goals. Minimum of 4 No-Drive Days focused events, in addition to PDEQ's Drive-Less Pledge. Staff at least 18 booths at schools, businesses, and community events.
2. Create and provide presentations and in-depth interviews.	Minimum of 47 presentations at schools, community groups, businesses, and the media.
3. Develop promotional, informational, and/or educational materials, news releases, engaging displays and/or activities; distribute to the public via website, emails, outreaches, the media, social media, etc.	Minimum of 25 flyers, brochures, articles, news releases, promotional materials, etc. Minimum of 331 public information distribution opportunities. Attain at least 132,370 social media impressions.

4. Contract with local environmental non-profit organization to implement Youth for Blue Skies program to encourage young people to design and present air quality action plans within their own communities.	<p>Work with contractor to ensure that up to 15 youth are recruited and trained to participate in the program.</p> <p>Work with contractor to ensure that youth develop environmental action plans.</p> <p>Work with contractor to ensure that youth share their action plans at a symposium with stakeholders.</p>
5. Contract with research professionals to evaluate program through a random survey and utilize additional survey instruments for various audiences.	<p>Submit surveys as appropriate after presentations or events. Approve questions for contracted annual survey. Receive, analyze, and submit results.</p>
6. Decrease by 1.75 percent the number of Pima County vehicle miles traveled.	<p>Gather data from surveys, pledges, events, and challenges administered and/or promoted by VNDD program. Estimate VMT and emissions reductions.</p>

IV. DELIVERABLES

Quarterly reports will be sent to ADEQ tracking the progress of VND Program tasks and activities within 60 days after the end of the quarter. Invoice reports will also be sent each quarter within 60 days after the end of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarter and 30 days after the end of the 4th quarter.

An annual report will be sent to ADEQ within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. The annual report will include a narrative summary of the activities and tasks for the fiscal year that were successful and a discussion of how the program will be improved during the coming year.

PDEQ will provide estimates of total emission reductions for the current fiscal year and the past four years for the following pollutants: CO, VOC, PM10, PM2.5, NOx, total emissions saved in pounds or tons.

In addition, PDEQ will use the annual community-wide survey to determine VMT, SOV, and AMU rates in the required format.

V. SCHEDULE FOR SUBMISSION OF DELIVERABLES

Deliverable	Date of Submittal
1 st , 2 nd , & 3 rd Quarter invoices	60 days after the end of the quarter
4 th Quarter invoice	30 days after the end of the quarter
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th Quarter reports	60 days after the end of the quarter
Annual report	60 days after the fiscal year end

VI. BUDGET

Description of Work	Budget
<i>Personnel</i> Staff time to develop, plan and implement air pollution prevention programs.	\$130,709.96
<i>Supplies and Other</i> Supplies to engage targeted audiences at multiple community events and presentations. Printing, advertising, incentives/tools for program participation, promotional items, event sponsorship, operating supplies, travel, vehicle maintenance/parking, etc.	\$27,167.43
<i>Contractual</i> Consultant for annual program evaluation survey.	\$7,250.00
Non-profit contractor services for Youth for Blue Skies program.	\$70,500.00
Administration*	\$21,644.61
Total Budget	\$257,272.00

***Administration:** Pima County does not have a negotiated indirect cost rate agreement and has elected to charge a de minimis rate of 15% of modified total direct costs (MDTC). MDTC means all direct salaries and wages, materials and supplies, services, travel, and up to the first \$25,000 of each subaward (regardless of the period of performance of the subawards under the award.) MTDC excludes equipment, capital expenditures, charges for patient care, rental costs, tuition remission, scholarships and fellowships, participant support costs and the portion of each subaward in excess of \$25,000.