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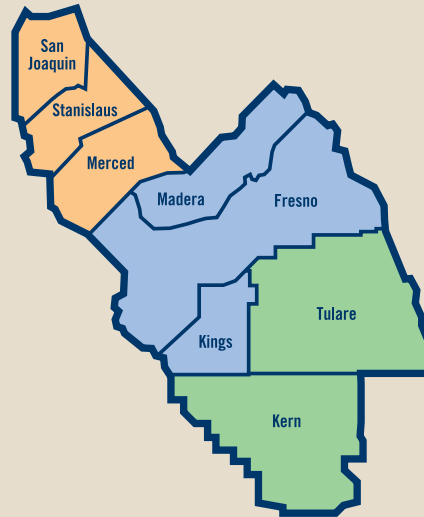
The Valley air basin has made significant progress toward clean air since the District was formed more than three decades ago. However, challenges remain to meet ever-tightening air quality health standards. Consequently, more than half a billion in funding is made available for clean air projects in the Valley air basin each year.

The District operates one of the largest and most well-respected voluntary incentive programs in California, with more than two billion dollars in public and private funds invested to date and more than 100,000 tons of lifetime emissions reduced. Funding through the District has increased more than 1,000% in less than 10 years, reflecting the commitment of the District, businesses and industry, residents, and municipalities to cleaning the air and improving the quality of life in the Valley.

Additional grant funding is available for a wide variety of agricultural equipment.

For more information, visit [valleyair.org/grants](http://valleyair.org/grants) or call the Incentives Department at 559-230-5800.

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# LOW-DUST NUT HARVESTERS PROGRAM



**San Joaquin Valley**  
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

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**Get up to \$250,000 and help reduce dust during nut harvest!**

## **Low-Dust Nut Harvester Replacement Grant Program**

Valley agricultural operations can take advantage of significant funding to replace nut-harvesting equipment with new, cleaner technology. During the late summer and fall, dust from nut harvesting can significantly impact air quality and lead to exceedances of federal air quality standards.

The Valley Air District needs more operators to voluntarily upgrade to cleaner equipment to minimize the impacts of nut harvesting. Funding is available Valley-wide for the Low-Dust Nut Harvester Replacement grant program. The program provides incentives to replace existing nut harvesters with new, low-dust nut harvesting equipment.

Incentive amounts have been established at 75% of eligible equipment costs, up to a maximum incentive of \$250,000 per unit.

### **Old Equipment**

- Must be operating within the San Joaquin Valley Air District boundaries
- Must be owned by the agricultural entity for over two years and currently in use and operable
- Engine must be 25 horsepower or greater
- After the new equipment is in operation, old equipment must be destroyed or rendered permanently inoperable

### **New Equipment**

- Must achieve at least a 40% reduction in particulate matter emissions, as demonstrated by peer-reviewed data or District-approved methodology.
- Program guidelines with equipment options available at [www.valleyair.org/harvester](http://www.valleyair.org/harvester)

