



We seek your input

Opportunity for Communities Affected by Diesel Pollution

We are reaching out to communities to get input on possible proposals for funds from the Volkswagen diesel emissions violation settlement.

What is the Volkswagen diesel emissions settlement?

Volkswagen intentionally developed and incorporated computer programs for their cars to deceive U.S. emissions monitoring equipment. They violated U.S. emission standards that protect the air we breathe, on about a half-million vehicles between 2009 and 2016.

In October 2016, the federal court finalized a law suit settlement agreement (called a "consent decree") between the government agencies and Volkswagen for some of their violations of emission standards.

The settlement outlines four actions:

A.	Buyback, Lease Termination, and Vehicle Modification Recall Program	VW will administer these
B.	Vehicle Recall and Emissions Modification Program	
C.	ZEV (Zero Emissions Vehicle) Investment Commitment	
D.	Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) Mitigation Funds	State governments will administer these

Action D will provide funds for government agencies to implement projects that reduce NOx pollution. There will be approximately \$104 million for Washington State.



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How will the settlement funds be used?

The purpose of these funds is to support programs and actions that reduce Nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions.

The list of eligible actions contained in the final consent decree includes projects that reduce emissions from:

- Local Freight Trucks and Port Drayage Trucks
- School Buses, Shuttle Buses, Transit Buses
- Freight Switcher Locomotives
- Ferries/Tugs
- Ocean-Going Vessels (by providing shore power at the dock)
- Airport Ground Support Equipment
- Forklifts and Port Cargo-Handling Equipment
- Light-Duty Vehicles (by providing electric vehicle charging equipment)

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More information can be found at these websites:

- www.epa.gov/enforcement/volkswagen-clean-air-act-partial-settlement
- www.epa.gov/enforcement/volkswagen-clean-air-act-partial-settlement
- www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2016/10/25/499301280/judge-approves-vws-14-7-billion-settlement-over-emissions-scandal
- www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/cars/vw.htm

Organizations and agencies are already discussing their ideas for the use of these funds.

The Puget Sound Clean Air Agency is asking for your input and ideas.

Please join us for a conversation - you can join in person by webcast, or via survey:

Meeting date and time

January 24, 2017
Noon-1:30pm

In person *(light lunch provided)*

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Webcast

<http://tinyurl.com/za5et2p>

Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/vwinput>

If you cannot join this conversation, but wish to give your comments, feel free to email: taniap@pscleanair.org

We anticipate following up with community meetings in communities that have historically been highly impacted by diesel emission pollution.