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**on NGVIP**

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I understand that at the CEC Advisory Committee Meeting on November 7th, ARB staff reported that they do not intend to allocate new funding to the NGVIP in the 2018-2019 plan. Because the prior plan funds were claimed to be underutilized (there is currently \$19.7MM unused from the current program), the natural gas category is to be eliminated, and "suitable natural gas projects" will be folded into the Advanced Freight & Fleet Technologies category.

This does not match my experience at all. The program was oversubscribed and ZERO dollars available the majority of the time we have been monitoring over the past 12 months. The City of Oakland was HIGHLY interested in utilizing the program but discovered that reservations had been submitted for ALL available funding. We had to wait many months until NGVIP funding freed up in order to submit our reservation. We would not have elected to go with CNG if not for the funding and could not proceed with ordering the larger CNG vehicles without a funding commitment/reservation.

There are problems with the reservation process and governmental entity acquisition cycles. We have to wait for fiscal funding to be available and then maneuver through a somewhat complex and lengthy competitive bidding process. Consequently, when we were able to secure our reservations, we had a late start on the process. Consequently, all of reservations expired within 2 weeks of our first vehicle being delivered at the earliest. Luckily we were able to resubmit the application.

In conclusion, the NGVIP incentive program is highly popular and in demand, but because of the mechanics and reservation ending window may not be a heavy lift or difficult fit for governmental entities. The message from staff that was related to me does not make any sense. I do not understand how this program could be perceived as "underutilized" when we had to wait many months and into a second funding cycle just get a handful of reservations. Right now there is no funding and a \$258,000 wait list available for new reservations out of \$21 million total. See for yourself: <https://ngvip.its.uci.edu/>

## Natural Gas Vehicle Incentive Funding Status

The following tables represent the NGVIP funding status as of November 13, 2017 02:20 pm PST. The totals provided are provisional and may change.

### Incentive Reservation Processing

This table shows the status of incentive reservation processing. The totals reflect applications received but not yet confirmed.

Incentive Funds Available for New Reservations	\$0
Estimated Waitlist	\$258,000

### Confirmed Incentive Status

This table shows the status of incentive funds for confirmed applications. The totals will be zero until reservations are confirmed to applicants.

Total Incentive Funds Available	\$21,803,000
Incentive Funds Reserved	\$9,840,000
Incentive Funds Issued	\$11,963,000
Incentive Funds Available for New Reservations	\$0

**Funding Status Summary**

The NGVIP Administrator is now accepting reservation applications. See the [application manual](#) for details.

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Available for New Reservations	\$0
Waitlist (est)	\$258,000
<b>Confirmed Incentive Status</b>	
Total Funding	\$21,803,000
Reserved	\$9,840,000
Issued	\$11,963,000
Available for New Reservations	\$0

Additional details and definitions available on the [funding status page](#)

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