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Bus Replacement Program

We in the Central Valley region have the oldest buses on the road and Sanger Unified has 25 buses that were built prior to 2005. We are a small district but cover 180 square miles. We are requesting that the funds be allocated by oldest bus to newest. the mileage of the older buses should not be a determining factor in selecting which ones get selected because our normal practice is to use our older vehicles as spares or on routes with less mileage in order run more efficiently. The mileage can be misleading. Additionally, the rider count should not be a factor in selecting the buses being replaced because special needs units frequently max out between 12 and 21 passengers. These buses are just as important because they transport students with disabilities and are equipped with wheel chair lifts and anchors for proper securement. All of our buses are up to date in services based on mileage or 45 day intervals. Our 292's are evidence of the work and proper records that are regulated to ensure they are safe to transport students in CA. The 292 and oldest makes should be determining factors in selection of the bus replacements. Last point to make is that we live in a rural region in which half of our routes travel well over 100 miles daily. We request that LEA's are given the opportunity to choose which fuel type of bus is selected for the bus replacement. At least 21 of my buses exceed 100 miles a day just to get kids from home to school and back. This does not include any extra driving assignments like a trip to the zoo and so on. Please take these points into consideration while moving forward. I really hope that the oldest buses in California get replaced with this funding rather than allocating a set amount per region. The Central Valley has been negatively impacted and will continue to be if they continue to be limited in funding.