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Limited Funding Now Available to Replace Wood Stoves in Mammoth Lakes

Mammoth Lakes, CA – Property owners in the Town of Mammoth Lakes who would like to replace old wood stoves with more efficient and cleaner heating systems may now qualify for up to \$2,000 toward the cost of the new heating system.

To qualify for replacement costs, the existing wood-burning system (wood stove or open fireplace) must be a building's primary heat source, it must be located within Town limits, and it must fall into one of two qualifying categories:

- 1) For homes or buildings purchased in 1990 or earlier,* and still relying on pre-1990 wood burning systems, \$1,500 may be available toward the cost of a new EPA Phase II-certified wood burning stove or fireplace, or \$2,000 toward the cost of a new EPA certified pellet stove or gas heating system. Documented proof of property purchase date is required.
- 2) For wood stove models currently being used that are newer than 1990 (EPA Phase I or II-certified), \$2,000 may be available toward replacement costs for a new, cleaner burning pellet stove or gas heating system. This applies to replacing post-1990 wood stoves with pellet or gas (propane and kerosene) systems only.

*Properties that were purchased or changed ownership after 1990, and not upgraded to EPA certified heating systems (Phase I or Phase II) as required by Town Municipal Code 8.30, do not qualify for funding under this program.

All old stoves replaced through this program must be freely relinquished to the participating stove retailer or installer at the time of the new system's installation, and program funding will be paid to participating retailers only. No exceptions to these requirements will be granted.

Funding is limited and available for two months only - sooner if funds run out - through a 'first come, first served' basis. All interested Mammoth Lakes property owners are encouraged to immediately contact one of the local participating retailers serving Mammoth Lakes: Alpine Stove & Mercantile; Angelo's Stove & Chimney, Clean Sweep; High Country Lumber; and Batchelder Enterprises for kerosene heating systems.

For more information about qualification requirements, contact the Clean Air Projects Program, at 760.914.0388 or email capp@gbuapcd.org

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