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RE: Letter of Support for Albuquerque MSA CPRG Implementation Application

To Whom it May Concern,

Rio Grande Community Farm is pleased to support and collaborate with the City of Albuquerque Sustainability Office (CABQ SO) and other entities in this coalition implementation application for the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program. Rio Grande Community Farm values the work that CABQ SO is leading to make transformative changes across the Albuquerque Metro Statistical Area. The proposed Solar Storage Structure, Solar Workshop, and Incinerating Toilet Outhouses will each contribute the Rio Grande Community Farm sustainability goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. By demonstrating these technological improvements to other agriculture professionals and community members from all economic and sociocultural backgrounds, the organization will fulfill key elements of its purpose:

“to provide diverse and underserved communities with equitable access to [...] education in sustainable agriculture prioritizing [...] climate resilience.”

To support this initiative, Rio Grande Community Farm will: 1.) circulate community feedback surveys; 2.) design and distribute outreach materials including signage, website content, social media, and newsletter campaigns; 3.) participate in filing any necessary permitting paperwork and attending all meetings; 4.) develop and deliver free STEM classes and tours that teach the public about the sustainability infrastructure; 5.) help to monitor and maintain the infrastructure during our lease agreement. Through this collaborative, inter-agency approach, we aim to decrease the Rio Grande Community Farm’s carbon footprint, demonstrate how the agricultural industry and urban communities can transform the power grid to fight climate change while inspiring individuals to seek further education and employment within the green infrastructure sector.

Furthermore, if awarded CPRG Implementation funds Rio Grande Community Farm will sign a Memorandum of Agreement by July 1, 2024, with the City of Albuquerque to demonstrate our continued commitment to the success of the CPRG program.

Thank you for considering this application.

Sincerely,

Robyn Wagoner
Executive Director
Rio Grande Community Farm