

03/22/2024

Metroplan
Attn: Casey Covington, Executive Director
501 W. Markham St., Ste. B
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Letter of Commitment for Arkansas Tri-Region Coalition's CPRG application

Dear Mr. Covington:

This letter is intended to express CCL-Fort Smith's strong, long-term commitment to supporting the goals outlined in the Arkansas Tri-Region Coalition's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) implementation application.

CCL-Fort Smith is 98 members strong, with about 40 active members at any given time. Our efforts focus on lobbying members of Congress, media relations, grassroots outreach, and contacting community leaders regarding opportunities to make our city and state greener. We are excited for Fort Smith to gain funding for some of their green energy goals, and especially the use of CPRG grant monies in infrastructure, EV charging, and greenspaces.

The national office of Citizens' Climate Lobby provides thorough deep-dive resources on the health and economic impact of our changing climate. We are well aware of the pressing need and committed to support the Tri-Region Coalition's CPRG plan.

Thus, on behalf of CCL-Fort Smith, I applaud your commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Arkansas's major cities. We are excited to join forces and help safeguard Arkansas's natural environment. This initiative promises environmental and economic advantages for a significant portion of the state's population, especially those most in need.

Sincerely,



Shannon Farhat
Citizens' Climate Lobby, Fort Smith co-leader