

County of Monterey

CAO – Economic Development



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Cora Panturad, Sustainability Program Manager (Interim)
County of Monterey, County Administrative Office
168 West Alisal Street, 3rd Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Re: Letter of Commitment for Monterey County's *Agriculture and Tourism Worker EMobility Network* proposal to the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program

Dear Ms. Panturad,

I am writing on behalf of the County of Monterey CAO Economic Development Division to confirm our support of and participation in Monterey County's *Agriculture and Tourism Worker EMobility Network* proposal to the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program.

The mission of Economic Development is to plan, coordinate, and facilitate the County's efforts to attract, retain and grow businesses and jobs throughout the County, while preserving and protecting the County's agricultural, tourism and education economic base. We regularly partner with the Sustainability Program and look forward to further partnering with sub awardee Ecology Action.

Should the EPA CPRG grant be awarded, our division is committed to supporting roll out of the EMobility Network services in the following ways:

- Participate in planning meetings to ensure program design meets community needs from the lens our programs and population serve.

Thank you for considering our proposal, which will serve among the lowest income residents in the state, living in some of the highest cost of living and housing markets in the nation with limited public transportation options, working outdoors in extreme heat, smoke and drought conditions.

Sincerely,

Richard Vaughn
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