



# South Coast Air Quality Management District

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## **Re: Letter of Commitment for Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metro Area's CPRG Implementation Grant Application**

Dear Dr. Wolfe:

On behalf of South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), I write in support of the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area's (MSA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) Implementation application. The application is led by the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority/San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCTA/SBCOG), in coalition with the Western Riverside Council of Governments and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments to achieve significant greenhouse gas emission reductions through initiatives in municipal building decarbonization, residential building decarbonization, light duty electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and workforce development.

The Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSA area encompasses three air basins including South Coast, Coachella, and Mojave. The South Coast and Coachella Air Basins do not meet federal air quality standards under the Clean Air Act. In particular, the South Coast Air Basin is in extreme nonattainment for ozone and serious for PM<sub>2.5</sub>. South Coast AQMD developed the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan which includes zero-emission measures for building decarbonization to achieve co-benefits for criteria air pollutants. The Riverside – San Bernardino – Ontario MSA CPRG Implementation Grant would support South Coast AQMD's efforts to reduce emissions from municipal and residential buildings. Further, South Coast AQMD is supportive of the overall goal to increase light-duty electric charging infrastructure and develop the workforce needed for a successful transition to zero-emission technologies.

SBCTA/SBCOG's CPRG Implementation application is aligned with South Coast AQMD's mission to bring valuable resources that directly benefit the Inland Empire's most vulnerable families. Measures outlined in this grant will help improve air quality, increase families' resilience and self-sufficiency, and ensure that they are included in the transition to a clean energy economy.

South Coast AQMD is pleased to support and collaborate with the regional team and fellow grant stakeholders in this proposal to advance our region's climate, air quality, and environmental goals. Please do not hesitate to contact us regarding our support for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Natri", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Wayne Natri  
Executive Officer  
South Coast Air Quality Management District