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March 15, 2024

The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20460

RE: Climate Pollution Reduction Grant – Support for the Public Facilities Resiliency Implementation Project

Dear Administration Regan,

I am writing to express my strong support for the coalition application led by Silicon Valley Clean Energy, in partnership with the Cities of San José, Sunnyvale, Morgan Hill, Mountain View and Cupertino, for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the *Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP)*.

PFRIP will be a transformative project that will achieve significant greenhouse gas reductions countywide, drive green market equipment and workforce demand, inject vitality and climate awareness into our community, and accelerate adoption of climate adaptation measures in Santa Clara County. Through a regional coalition, PFRIP will construct major decarbonization and resiliency projects at countywide public facilities located in EPA-recognized disadvantaged communities, including electric infrastructure retrofits and creating resiliency centers with electric vehicle (EV) charging and coupled solar/battery storage, or microgrids.

The project will benefit low income and disadvantaged communities in the Bay Area through electrifying and fortifying critical facilities such as community shelters and fire stations that serve our communities' most urgent needs during emergencies as first responders or cooling and heating centers, gathering/family reunification spaces and shelters for those without traditional homes or access to personal emergency equipment like generators. The project includes related equity analysis, performance evaluation, community engagement and workforce development activities that will create opportunities for job training and engage and empower local citizens in the climate adaptation process.

I strongly support the *Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP)* and I encourage EPA funds to be invested in this meaningful work.

Sincerely,

Dave Cortese
California State Senate, 15th District

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March 22, 2024

The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20460

RE: Climate Pollution Reduction Grant – Support for the Public Facilities Resiliency Implementation Project

Dear Administrator Regan,

As a California state legislator who has long advocated for statewide initiatives that improve climate resiliency, I am urging you to support the application led by Silicon Valley Clean Energy, in partnership with the Cities of San José, Sunnyvale, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, and Cupertino, for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the *Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP)*.

Having represented the City of San José in the State Legislature, and previously on its City Council for a combined 15 years, I recognize the potential PFRIP will bring to our constituents in the Bay Area. This transformative project will help achieve significant greenhouse gas reductions countywide, drive green market equipment and workforce demand, inject vitality and climate awareness into our community, and accelerate the adoption of climate adaptation measures in Santa Clara County.

Moreover, PFRIP will develop decarbonization and resilience projects at countywide public facilities in EPA-recognized disadvantaged communities, including electric infrastructure upgrades and establishing resilience centers with EV charging and solar/battery storage. This will directly benefit low-income and underserved communities in my Assembly District and the Bay Area.

PFRIP aligns with the Biden Administration's commitment to the fight for climate resiliency. I recommend EPA funds be invested in this meaningful work.

Thank you for your leadership, time, and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ash Kalra
California State Assemblymember, 25th District

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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18TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

March 14, 2024

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Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20460

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My office strongly supports the *Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP)* and I encourage EPA funds to be invested in this meaningful work.

Thank you for your full and fair consideration, in accordance with all laws and regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Zoe Lofgren', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Zoe Lofgren
Member of Congress



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My office strongly supports the *Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP)* and I encourage EPA funds to be invested in this meaningful work.

Sincerely,

Mayor Matt Mahan
City of San José



Office of Councilmember Omar Torres
District 3 Downtown San José

March 26, 2024

The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20460
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My office strongly supports the Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project (PFRIP) and I encourage EPA funds to be invested in this meaningful work.

Sincerely,

Omar Torres
Councilmember of San José
City of San José, District 3