



**SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT**

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City of Stockton  
425 El Dorado St  
Stockton, CA 95202

**RE: LETTER OF INTENT FOR CITY OF STOCKTON CLIMATE POLLUTION  
REDUCTION GRANT (CPRG)**

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) letter of intent to the City of Stockton's (City) application for the Climate Pollution Reduction (CPRG) Implementation Grant. We submit this letter in support of the City of Stockton's effort to create new transformative infrastructure projects and build upon pre-existing frameworks that aim to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions within Stockton's communities. This grant offers the City of Stockton an incredible opportunity to expand on new pathways, projects, and programs to improve the local environment, reduce GHG emissions, stimulate local economy, and expand their environmental and sustainability presence outside their existing climate projects.

RTD provides public transit services in the Stockton Metropolitan Area, as well as Intercity, Interregional, and Rural Transit Services throughout San Joaquin County. RTD operates zero-emission battery electric and hybrid electric buses. As one of the first agencies in the State of California to adopt hybrid electric buses, RTD is a regional leader in the adoption of low and no-emission technologies. In 2018, a full year ahead of the California Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Act, RTD's Board of Directors committed to operating a 100% zero-emissions fleet by 2040.

The areas served by RTD with zero-emission battery electric and hybrid electric buses include some Environmental Justice (EJ) neighborhoods in Stockton. Minority, immigrant, and low-income communities in these socially disadvantaged neighborhoods are impacted by higher GHG. RTD's services are also in California's most severe non-attainment air quality districts.

RTD's Zero Emission Transition project allows for smoother zero-emissions fleet transition by seeking funding for the purchase of eleven (11) Hybrid Electric Buses, two (2)

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Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Buses (FCEB), one (1) Hydrogen Fueling Trailer and a Maintenance Shop Hydrogen Retrofit. This project will assist RTD in supporting and improving existing services in Stockton's many underserved communities and Environmental Justice (EJ) neighborhoods.

This project will also help to reduce local transit-related emissions and support program priorities that include reducing greenhouse gases and preventing transit-related air-pollution; advancing racial equity; maintaining and creating jobs with a free and fair choice to join a union; and connecting communities.

This grant will provide the City and its partners an opportunity to ensure that there is a priority to provide a healthier life to residents, businesses, and community stakeholders. The City's proposed projects for Stocktonians is very exciting and highly supported by RTD. We value the collaborative relationship that exists between the City of Stockton and its community partners. We have a shared goal to address the climate challenges currently affecting the City. This application builds upon our efforts to create a better environment for Stockton's future generations.

We are happy to support the City of Stockton's application to the Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant, and if awarded, **RTD will sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Stockton by the July 1, 2024 deadline provided in the Notice of Funding Opportunity.**

Sincerely,



Alex Clifford  
Chief Executive Officer

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