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Clerk of the Board  
Air Resources Board  
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RE: Cap and Trade Program Funding Guidelines

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City San Rafael, we write to ask you to consider the following for the final Funding Guidelines for the Cap and Trade Auction Proceeds. We appreciate the focus on disadvantaged communities and would like to offer one suggestion regarding how these are characterized. San Rafael has a sizable community of residents that would qualify under the current CalEnviroScreen guidelines. However, to date we have not been eligible for grants for disadvantaged communities because they were based on census tracts. Our community as a whole does not qualify. Therefore, our disadvantaged communities do not qualify.

We would ask you to ensure that the guidelines allow for cities to apply for projects that are in, and apply to, segments of their community that are disadvantaged rather than disallowing them due to overall population characteristics.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Sincerely,

  
Gary Phillips  
Mayor

  
Jim Schutz  
City Manager

cc: The Honorable Mike McGuire  
California State Senate  
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