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County of Sacramento, CA

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Subject: BOS Meeting Feb. 8, 2022, Item 36, Climate Emergency Mobilization Task Force

Dear Supervisors,

ECOS supports the formation of the Climate Emergency Task Force.

We will soon receive the next draft of the County's Communitywide Climate Action Plan (CAP), and hope that it contains enforceable actions and does not rely on anticipated recommendations from the Task Force. We suggest that the Task Force be charged with developing ways to implement the CAP, including an emergency response plan. For the Task Force to succeed, we hope the County will budget funding for such items as additional staff, consultant studies that may be needed, and outreach/community engagement.

We have the following additional suggestions:

- Consider adding more Task Force members to cover the range of topics;
- Consider giving priority eligibility to leaders of existing environmental justice organizations over residents from "EJ neighborhoods";
- Ensure the terms for Task Force members are staggered;
- Add to the Task Force Scope of Work list some indication of the other areas of study that may be undertaken beyond conservation and regenerative practices for farmers, ranchers, and producers, such as:
 - Climate action planning practice improvements such as emissions inventories by CARB; climate action plan checks by governmental agencies such as OPR, CARB, SMAQMD, SMUD, SACOG;
 - GHG emissions for different land use and transportation patterns and locations within the County;
 - Electrification of all buildings, new and existing;
 - GHG emissions and waste, and water.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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