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Reach codes are the key to local action to achieve climate goals

Please continue to energetically support local reach codes. Many cities are adopting all-electric codes that demonstrate the strong desire across CA communities to proactively reduce local GHG emissions from buildings. Much of the staff and councils in cities that go through the reach code adoption process adopt strengthen their proposed codes, even to the level of mandates, after learning about the many cost effective and otherwise beneficial ways all electric buildings can improve our energy infrastructure and quality of life starting today.

The process does require many hours of work and leadership by city staff, local activists and councils to reach beyond the base code all the way to the strong all-electric incentives and mandates for new building we need to enact starting now. I hope the size and focus of these efforts will convince the CEC to raise state codes to this level as soon as possible so that all communities can equally avoid growing their burden of stranded gas assets and benefit from electrification as our most feasible and beneficial pathway to lower emissions and better buildings.

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