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BUILD Incentives Program Guideline Comments

Chapter 9 / Participation – how will CEC "identify project developers planning projects that may be eligible for BUILD incentives― and will this be done in a way that ensures equitable outreach to smaller, lesser known developers and BIPOC developers, etc?

Application Selection Criteria – strongly support instituting a cap on how many applications one developer can submit. As it is a first come first served program, this would mean that all available capacity would be taken up by larger institutional developers with the in house capacity to track this program aggressively.

50 million just seems kind of low based on actual project costs, especially in high-cost areas like LA and the Bay Area.

24 months to complete project could be problematic for developers. Project construction can extend to 3-4 years.

CEQA concerns $\hat{a} \in \hat{a}$ are we not eligible for SB35 if we $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{M}$ re taking this funding? It says delays related to CEQA are not valid for an extension. This could be a barrier for potential applicants.