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Equity Resource and Funding Change

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Commissioner Monahan and CEC staff for your diligence and hard work on the Revised Clean Transportation Plan (CTP), and all efforts to move this program along. My comments are as follows.

First, I recommend the Investment Plan shifts some of the CTP dollars to workforce training and development as other CTP advisory members have suggested. There is a much-needed statewide assessment to determine skills gaps and other challenges that are currently facing the ZEV transition workforce. Additional funding in this category would allow California to grow and develop a workforce that will be equipped and ready to assist with the transitioning of our state towards a cleaner economy.

Second, I want to share a resource (link below) CEC staff should consider looking at to enhance the equity component of the CPT. The Urban Institute created an indicator guideline for decision-makers to help advance racial equity and environmental justice impacts through federally funded transportation projects. I think some of the indicators and data sources listed in this guide could be helpful to build a comprehensive assessment of the EV infrastructure benefits and needs in California's DACs and LICs.

Resource: https://www.urban.org/research/publication/advancing-racial-equity-through-federally-funded-public-transit?&utm_source=urban_ea&utm_campaign=local_data_needs_transportation_guide&utm_id=cities&neighborhoods&utm_content=event_attendees&utm_term=transportation

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