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All electric construction!

I'm a Bay Area resident and a student at The Nueva School. On behalf of my community, I express our strong support for these reach codes to move forward quickly, requiring all-electric new construction for homes and buildings and curtailing the number of exemptions granted.

As Governor Gavin Newsom addressed on July 23, 2021, the state of the climate in California is nothing less but an emergency. The drought we experience in California will only get progressively worse, which will interfere with local wildlife, ecosystems patterns, and human activities. For example, the Folsom Lake Reservoir is an example of climate change at play. The Folsom Lake Reservoir is only at 26% capacity, which is already showing catastrophic effects near the area. Wildfires are destroying neighborhoods in seconds, leaving families and communities devastated and wildlife forced to move closer to human developments. For both people and animals alike, the smokey air affects all living things and will lead to long-term respiratory and health problems. My community finds it difficult to live in the inconsistency of California's ecosystems constantly altering due to climate change, specifically the scarcity of water becoming worse and worse. I'm urging the importance of doing anything we can to address and tackle the climate crisis by going all electric and addressing climate change more vigorously.

I urge the California Energy Commission to lead California towards a better path by going all electric.

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