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## **PacificWest's Round 2 Eligibility Comments**

We understand that the program's requirement is to provide funding for at least 25% underserved schools over the entirety of the program. Based on the Round 1 funding, it appears that the 25% requirement is already nearly met. If Round 2 is opened up to all school sites, all schools throughout the state that are in need of critical HVAC/IAQ improvements will be able to apply, and the 25% underserved funding goal can still be achieved. Under the current setup, schools that do not fit the underserved designation may have these necessary improvements delayed and/or lose out on funding altogether. We recommend that the Round 2 eligibility be opened up to all schools statewide, despite any potential delays that may occur in amending the guidelines. Schools that were eligible for Round 1 funding have already had a chance to apply for funding, and we believe that all other schools deserve an opportunity.