

Blue Sky & Community Air Protection Incentives Workshop

September 22, 2026

Thank you for joining us!
The workshop will begin shortly
Please enter your name to sign
in using the chat



Welcome



The presentation will be recorded and made available on the District website



Slides will also be available on the district website after the workshop

General Information

- Combined Request for Proposals
 - Blue Sky, Community Air Protection Incentives (CAP), and Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP)
- Four Funding Sources
 - AB 2766 - \$4 DMV Fund
 - AB 923 - \$2 DMV Fund
 - CAP Incentives Year 8
 - CHIRP Year 1
- Multiple Guidelines
 - Carl Moyer, Low Emission School Bus Program (LESBP), CAP Guidelines
- Different requirements based on project
- **We will find the best grant that fits your project**



Grant	Examples of Eligible Projects	Available Funding
Blue Sky AB 2766	Projects and programs reduce emissions from motor vehicles or reduce vehicle miles traveled	\$110,000
Blue Sky AB 923	Diesel school bus replacement and electric school bus fleet expansion	\$400,000
CAP Incentives	Zero emission infrastructure, equipment replacement projects, and projects that reduce air pollution in schools	\$770,000
CHIRP	Stationary diesel engine replacement	\$133,000

Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP)

- The Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP) is an incentive program created by CARB to mitigate increased emissions from extreme heat events and wildfires.
- Events are triggered by state of emergency proclamations by the Governor.
- CHIRP mitigation dollars are allocated to the local air districts to fund projects eligible under either the Carl Moyer Program or the Community Air Protection Incentives Program (CAP Incentives).
- Districts prioritize CHIRP funds to scrap and replace stationary dirty diesel emergency backup generators in disadvantaged and low-income communities.

Applications Available

bit.ly/blueskyproposals



Proposals Due

Friday
October 16,
2026, by 5:00
pm

Proposals accepted by

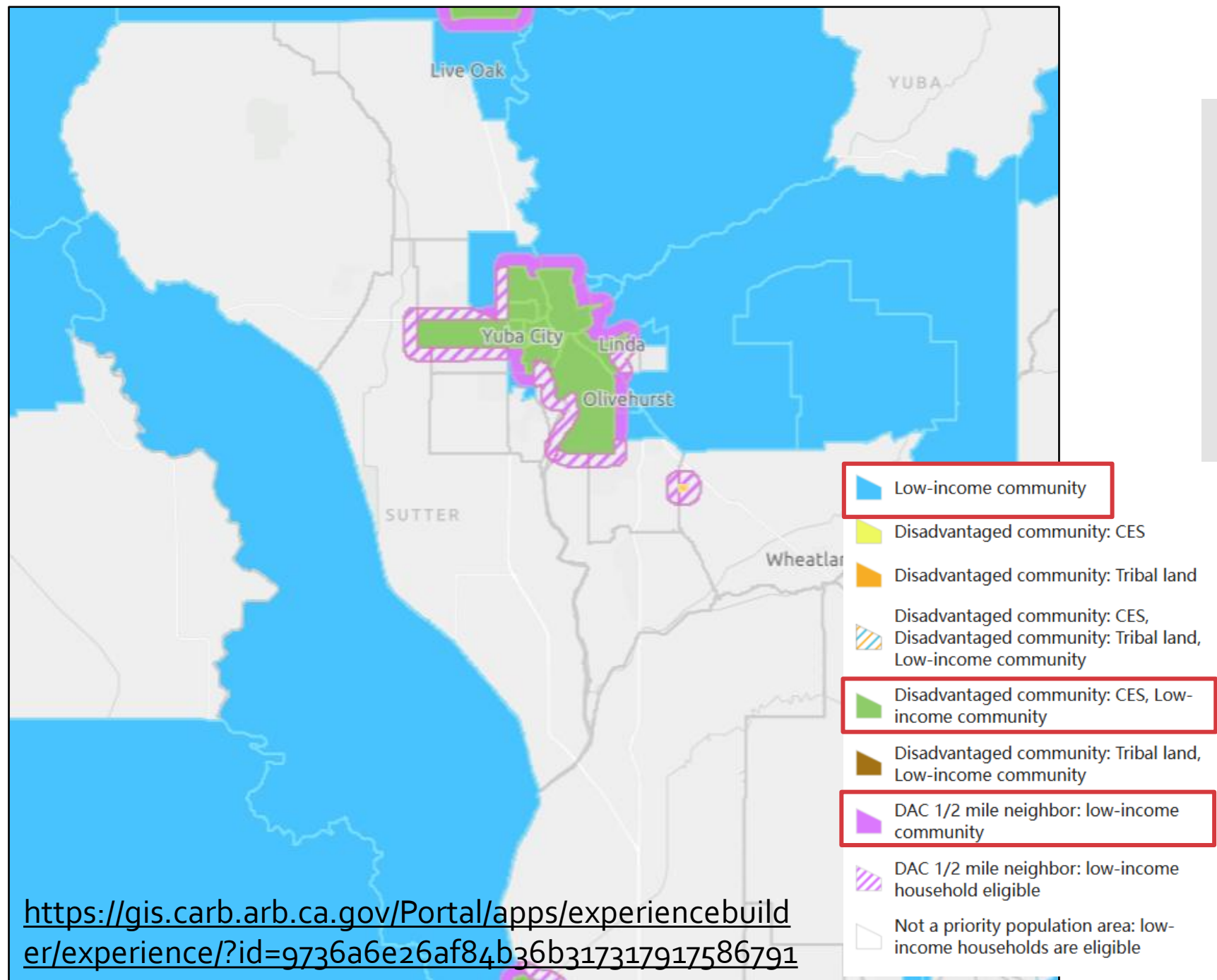
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CAP Incentives

Funding from
California Climate
Investments – 80%
must be spent on
projects located in
or benefiting
disadvantaged and
low-income
communities

General Information

California Climate Investments Priority Populations Mapping Tool 5.0



Applications and Grant Project Types



Five
Applications
Developed
by the
District

AB 2766 General Application

School Bus Projects

CAP General Application

Off-Road

On-Road

AB 2766 Application

- Project Types: Any project that reduces VMT or Emissions from Motor Vehicles
- Most Broad



BLUE SKY PROGRAM PROPOSAL APPLICATION FORM AB 2766

PROJECT TITLE _____

Applicant/Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

(if different from above): _____

Title: _____

Fax: _____

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PROJECT TYPE (check one)

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|--|---|--|
| ☐ Alternative Fuel Infrastructure | ☐ Bicycle or Pedestrian | ☐ Public Transit |
| ☐ Public Education or Outreach | ☐ Vanpool/Shuttle | ☐ Clean Fuel Vehicle Purchase |
| ☐ Public Transit Fare Reduction | ☐ Employer Rideshare Incentive | ☐ Other |

School Bus Application



Two funding sources: CAP Incentives or DMV funds

Project Types eligible under all three programs:

- Replacement of existing school bus
- Replace existing CNG tank
- Repower existing bus to zero emission/convert to zero emission
- Infrastructure to support school bus project

School bus fleet expansion for zero-emission buses eligible under AB 2766 and AB 923, use School Bus Application and note “fleet expansion”

Project Type	Maximum AB 923 Funds
Diesel fueled Bus Replacement	\$165,000
Low NOx Engine Replacement	\$220,000
Hybrid School Bus	\$220,000
Electric School Bus	\$400,000
Electric Conversion (using an existing bus)	\$400,000
Repowers	\$70,000
Diesel Retrofit Project per Bus	\$20,000
Diesel Retrofit Maintenance	\$2,500 within \$20,000 retrofit cap
Alternative Fuel Infrastructure for alt-fuel bus replacements	\$16,500
On-board Natural Gas Tank Replacements	No CAP
Enhancement of Deteriorating Natural Gas Fueling Dispensers	No CAP
Infrastructure for Powering Electric School Bus Replacements	\$20,000 per school bus
Diesel Retrofit Infrastructure	No CAP on infrastructure, but must be within the \$20,000 retrofit cap
Alternative Fuel Infrastructure for Alt-Fuel Bus Replacements	\$16,500 per bus
Infrastructure for Electric School Bus Replacements Vehicle to Grid	No CAP

Off-Road and On-Road Projects

Off-Road replacement must use participating dealerships

On-Road Projects include zero emission heavy-duty trucks, cleaner diesel emergency vehicles

Reminder that grants cannot pay for compliance

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ON-ROAD VEHICLE APPLICATION

Company Name: _____
Address: _____
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OFF-ROAD EQUIPMENT APPLICATION

Company Name: _____
Address: _____
Address (if different from above): _____

Community Air Protection Incentives General Application

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in Low income or Disadvantaged Communities

Stationary Diesel Emergency Engine Replacements

Air filtration upgrades

CAP Incentives has expanded project types in the 2024 Guidelines



COMMUNITY AIR PROTECTION
INCENTIVES GENERAL APPLICATION

Investments
Company Name: _____
City, State: _____ from above: _____ Title: _____
Fax Number: _____

Infrastructure Projects

- Electric vehicle charging stations (level 2 and 3) are eligible for funding under the Carl Moyer Guidelines = AB 923 and CAP Incentives.
- They are also eligible under AB 2766 (reduces emissions from Motor Vehicles)
- Variable funding amounts

Use Community Air
Protection
Incentives General
Application

Use AB 2766 General
Application

Electric Vehicle Charging
Stations located in Low
income or Disadvantaged
Communities

Electric Vehicle Charging
Stations **NOT** located in Low
income or Disadvantaged
Communities

Stationary Diesel Emergency Engines

- Eligible for funding under CAP Incentives and CHIRP
- Use General Application
- Must have a current District permit, be over 25 hp, and emergency use
- Uncertified or tier 1
- Up to 85% of cost of new diesel engine, 95% of cost of zero-emission tech

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Project Selection Process

Blue Sky Grant Selection Based on

- Project Benefit
- Cost-effectiveness
- Leveraging Funds
- Demonstrate/Introduce New Technology
- Broad Application
- Public Benefit
- Other Desirable Factors



District staff will review projects and make recommendation to Policy and Finance Committee



Policy/Finance Committee will meet in early November to review staff recommendation



Committee funding recommendation goes to Board of Directors December 7, 2026

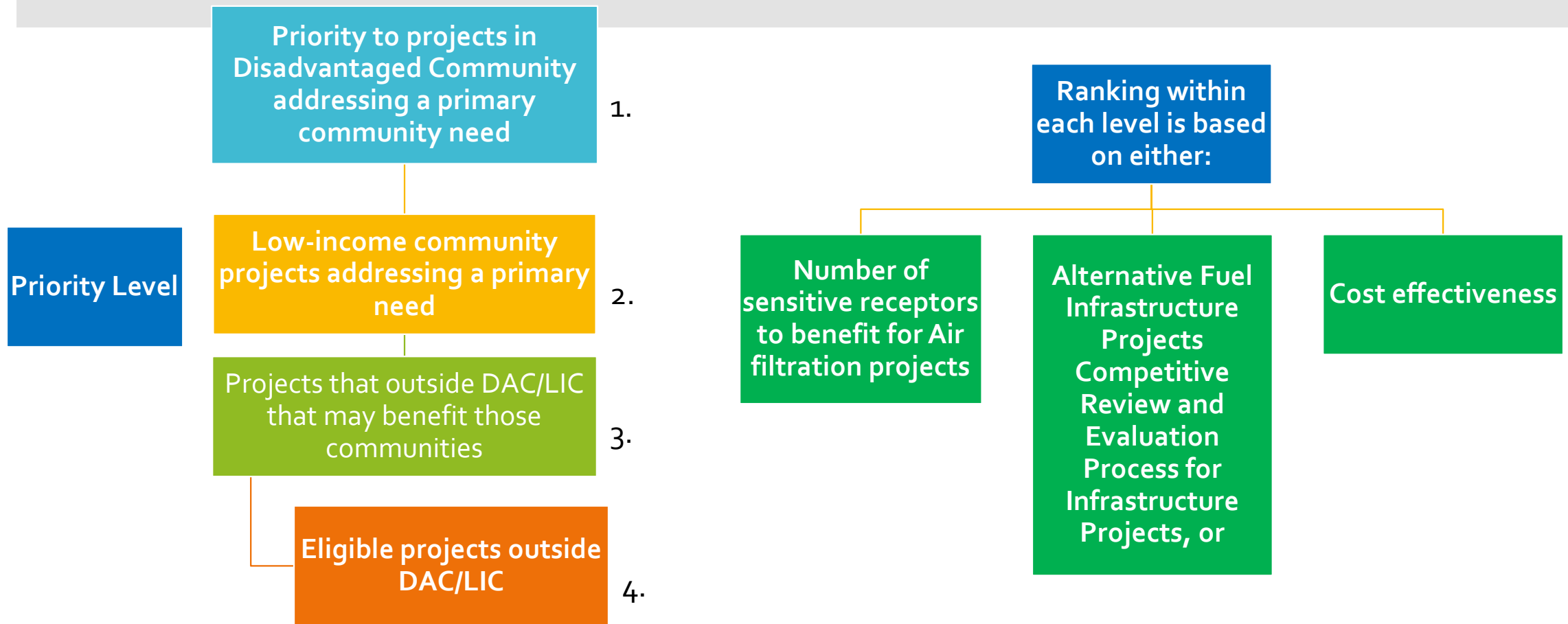


Contracts mailed to Board approved projects January 2027

Blue Sky Grants AB 2766 and AB 923 Selection

Additional Allocation Policies Established by the Board of Directors for AB 2766

- Funds awarded proportional to the population distribution between the cities and counties of Yuba and Sutter.
- Public education projects limited to 5% of program funding
- Projects involving political activism or organizing not eligible



Community Air Protection Incentives Project Selection

Approval of CAP Incentives



Projects evaluated and proposed to APCO in December



The APCO shall consider community feedback and project ranking prior to selecting projects



District posts proposed list of projects on website for 10 days



Applicants will be mailed a notice of project status



Selected project may require a pre inspection prior to contract signing

Funding Amounts

Contact me with specific project types and I will give you a range.

Community Air Protection (CAP) Incentives Year 7 Proposed Projects

Project	Applicant	Project Description	Proposed Grant Amount
CAP7-1	East Nicolas School	Replace school bus with diesel bus	\$165,000
CAP7-4	Wheatland Elementary School	Replace school bus with diesel bus	\$57,765
CAP7-5	Marysville School District	Replace school bus with diesel bus	\$121,336
CAP7-6	Training Zone	Install zero-emission infrastructure	\$75,200
	Woodsmoke Vouchers	Vouchers for low income community residents	\$150,000
	Woodsmoke Vouchers	Vouchers for disadvantaged community residents	\$50,000

Leveraging Funds

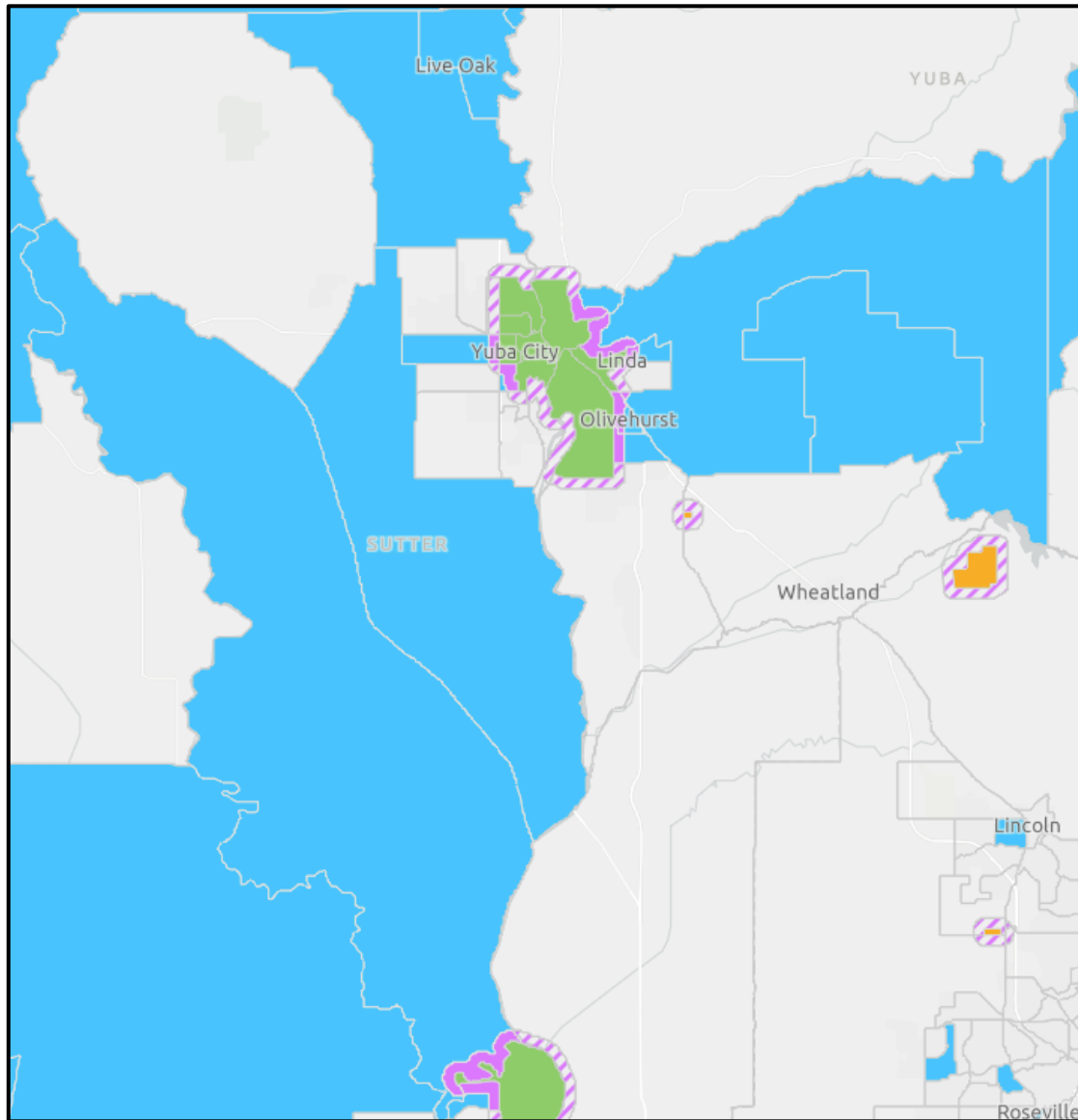
- Encouraged!
- We will work with you to navigate stacking funds from other sources.
- Other funding sources must be disclosed during application.
- Our program reimburses applicants after projects are completed.

Questions and Contact Info

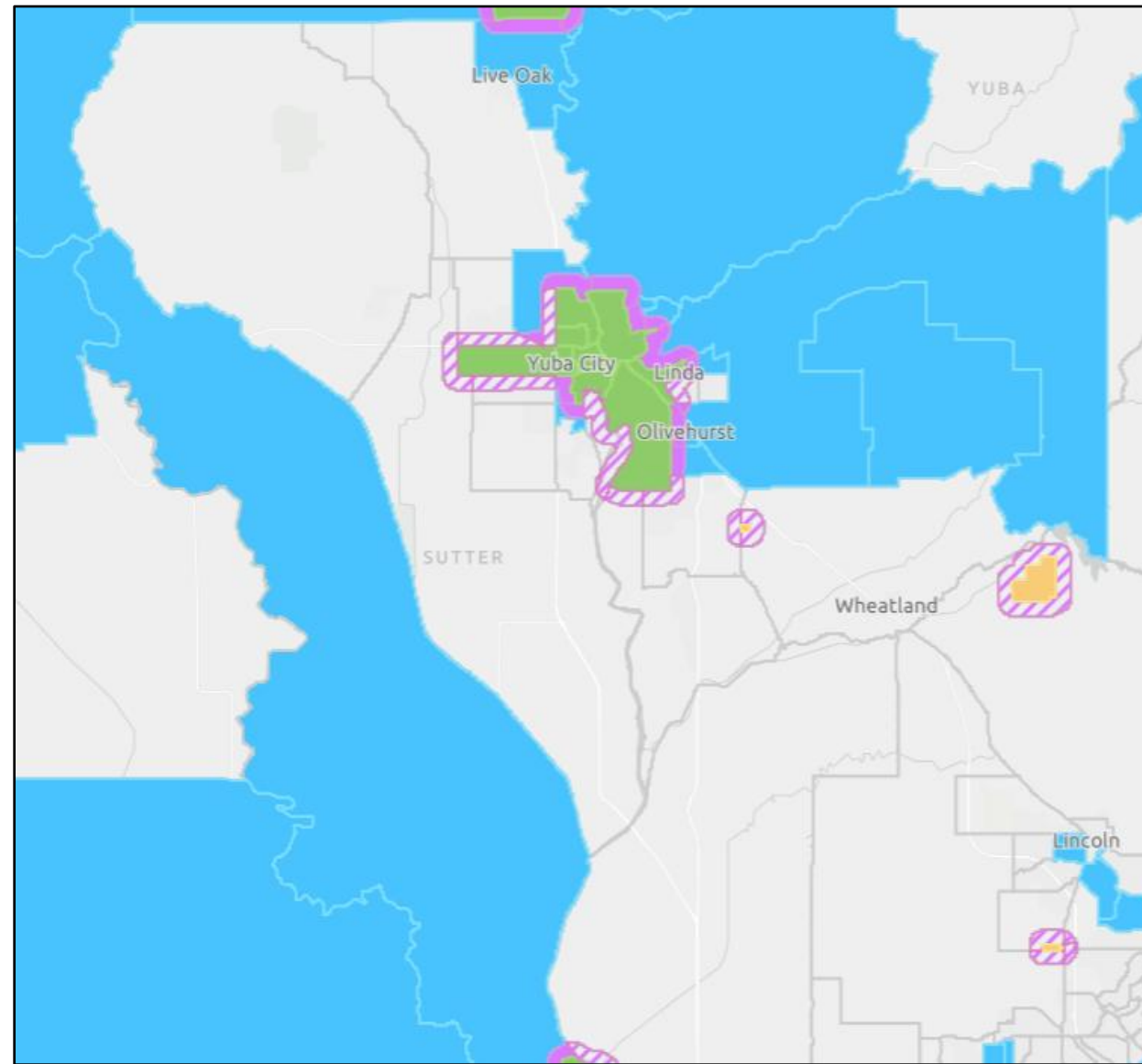
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