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The Humboldt County Association of Governments  
via email

Thank you for your positive and diligent response to the proposition to form a Regional Climate Committee, including the Climate Program Manager position. We very much appreciate the work staff has put into figuring out the logistics of how that committee would be formed and function. It's great that there's funding available to dedicate to the climate program's work until such time as grants and other funding sources can be activated. This timely response reinforces our belief that HCAOG is the best and most appropriate agency to take on such a critical job. As a climate advocacy organization, 350 Humboldt would be grateful for this outcome.

If you have not already done so, it could be useful to refer to how the county of Sonoma has also based its Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority on the membership of its County Transportation Authority with members added from other agencies. Formed in 2009, it may serve as a valuable resource. <https://rcpa.ca.gov/> Just like here in Humboldt county the goals of the two entities overlap and probably even more so here. The three main areas of focus for the Sonoma RCPA are decarbonization, carbon sequestration, and resilience.

In closing we'd like to express our appreciation for the leadership of the departing director, Beth Burks. We wish her much success in her new role at Redwood Coast Energy Authority.

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