



Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: April 2, 2024

To: The Honorable Lake County Board of Supervisors

From: Jessica Pyska, District 5 Supervisor

Subject: Consideration of a Letter of Support for Inclusion of Calpine's The Geysers Facility in the California Leg of the Biden Administration's "Investing in America" Tour, with U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Jennifer M. Granholm

Executive Summary:

As your Board will be aware, the Biden Administration kicked off a fourth "Investing in America Tour" February 15. On the California leg of this tour, Secretary of Energy, Jennifer M. Granholm, is seeking to highlight growth of the developing "Clean Energy Economy," including creation of "good paying jobs" and private sector investment.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/02/14/fact-sheet-biden-harris-administration-to-kick-off-fourth-investing-in-america-tour-to-highlight-how-the-president-is-delivering-for-communities-in-every-corner-of-america/>

A tour of Calpine's The Geysers facility in Lake County is clearly consistent with the intent of this tour. Calpine has requested that our Board consider providing a Letter of Support for their inclusion, and they believe it will make a meaningful difference in the probability of Secretary Granholm and the Biden Administration accepting their invitation.

I recommend our Board approve the attached Letter of Support and authorize the Chair to sign.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: _____ Amount Budgeted: _____ Additional Requested: _____ Future Annual Cost: _____

Purchasing Considerations (check all that apply):

☒ Not applicable

- ☐ Fully Article X. https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI and/or Consultant Selection Policy http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Policy/Policies+26+Procedures+Manual/Ch4_2021v2.pdf - Compliant (describe process undertaken in "Executive Summary")
- ☐ Section 2-38 https://library.municode.com/ca/lake_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH2AD_ARTXPU_S2-38EXCOBI Exemption from Competitive Bidding (rationale in "Executive Summary," attach documentation, as needed)
- ☐ For Technology Purchases: Vetted and Supported by the [Technology Governance Committee](http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Intranet+Forms/Information+Technology/AdvPlan.pdf) <http://lcnet.co.lake.ca.us/Assets/Intranet/Intranet+Forms/Information+Technology/AdvPlan.pdf> ("Yes," if checked)
- ☐ Other (Please describe in Executive Summary)

Consistency with Vision 2028 <http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/Directory/Administration/Visioning/Vision2028.htm>

(check all that apply):

☐ Not applicable

☒ Well-being of Residents

☐ Public Safety

☐ Disaster Prevention, Preparedness, Recovery

☒ Economic Development ☒ Infrastructure ☐ County Workforce
☒ Community Collaboration ☐ Business Process Efficiency ☐ Clear Lake

Recommended Action: Approve Letter of Support for Inclusion of Calpine's The Geysers Facility in the California Leg of the Biden Administration's "Investing in America" Tour, with U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Jennifer M. Granholm, and authorize the Chair to sign and Authorize the Chair to Sign.