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Jim Graham, Executive Director Plumas County Transportation Commission 1953 E Main St, Quincy, CA 95971 jimgraham@countyofplumas.com (530) 283-6268

**Subject: Plumas County Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Master Plan** 

Dear Mr. Graham,

On behalf of the City of Portola, I am writing to express our strong support for the Plumas County Transportation Commission's application for the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant to develop the Plumas County Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Master Plan.

The proposed Master Plan is a critical step forward in advancing our county's commitment to sustainable transportation and environmental stewardship. By focusing on the development of a robust electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure, this initiative will significantly contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, promoting energy efficiency, and enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors of Plumas County.

Our support for this project stems from its potential to address the current gap in publicly accessible EV charging stations in the county. The Master Plan aligns with the state's goals for greenhouse gas reduction and supports the growing demand for EVs by ensuring accessible and equitable charging options. The comprehensive approach of assessing current infrastructure, community engagement, and strategic site analysis will provide a blueprint for a phased implementation of EV charging stations, enhancing the county's economic vitality and environmental sustainability.

We believe that the Plumas County Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Master Plan will serve as a model for rural communities in embracing clean transportation solutions. This project not only aligns with the state's environmental goals but also demonstrates a proactive approach to meeting the future transportation needs of our community.

In closing, the City of Portola enthusiastically supports the Plumas County Transportation Commission's application for the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant. The funding received will play a pivotal role in realizing a greener, economically resilient, and more sustainable future for Plumas County.

Sincerely,

Bill Powers
Mayor, City of Portola