

GHG Residential Retrofit Program RFP

Bidder Questions and APCD Responses

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1. To what extent will the Residential Retrofit Planning Study (“Planning Study”) be used for the development of the GHG Residential Retrofit Program? Specifically, if a task under the new scope of work overlaps with something that was analyzed in the Planning Study (e.g. evaluating the energy reductions or cost of a particular energy efficient measure), will the results of the original Planning Study be used, or are you looking to update these numbers, potentially with new methods? For cases where the prior method is not consistent with the CAPCOA GHG Rx Case-by-Case Protocol, we realize an update would be required to ensure consistency.

APCD Response

Our primary purpose for referencing the Planning Study is to provide a source for the basic concept of the Retrofit Program. If any part of the Planning Study is carried over to the Retrofit Program, the information, methodologies and data must be verified and updated if necessary. The goal for the product resulting from this project is to provide the most up-to-date and accurate information, data and methodologies.

2. We understand the Retrofit Program is intended to be used for CEQA GHG mitigation. For projects of this nature, in order to ensure reductions are “real” per the CAPCOA GHG Rx Case-by-Case Protocol, either the project needs to be completed so reductions can be measured or the project needs to be incorporated into CEQA mitigation requirements (to ensure it *will be completed*). Is the intent to design the project so that it moves forward once it is incorporated into future CEQA mitigation requirements, or is the intent to complete the project first so the credits can be listed on the Exchange for anyone to purchase (and potentially use for CEQA mitigation)?

APCD Response

First and foremost, the Retrofit Program will provide an alternative method for procuring GHG mitigation for land use projects. Land use projects must have the mitigation measures adopted as final Conditions of Approval to qualify as CEQA mitigation.

Our second priority is to qualify Retrofit Program mitigation that has been implemented (land use project is built and operational) per the CAPCOA GHG Rx Case-by-Case Protocol. Once Retrofit Program reductions have been verified as real they may be listed on the CAPCOA GHG Exchange.