

Re: Request that the Monterey Bay Community Power Project Team conduct a public opinion survey within the Monterey County area

Dear Ms. Johnson,

On behalf of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, I request that the Monterey Bay Community Power (MBCP) Project Team conduct a public opinion survey to gauge Monterey County residents' level of knowledge and opinion regarding the MBCP proposal.

In the MBCP Outreach Plan published in April of 2016, it states that the two track approach in Phase 2 (April 15 – October 31) includes the education of local government officials and staff, as well as key community leaders, while building awareness across the public at-large. Monterey County recognizes and appreciates the numerous community meetings, study sessions, and workshops, as well as the tabling events, social media campaigning, website information, and local press coverage activities to reach the residents of Monterey County. The results of the stakeholder survey will also provide valuable information for our Board and staff.

However, because of the diversity of our constituents in Monterey County, we feel it necessary to obtain comprehensive information on the public's overall reaction to MBCP proposal. This information is important to inform the County of Monterey's due diligence investigation efforts and will aid the County to reach a decision on whether or not to execute a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to join the MBCP Authority.

We respectfully request that the MBCP conduct a public opinion survey to gauge Monterey County residents' level of knowledge and opinion regarding the MBCP proposal.

Sincerely,

Jane Parker
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