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Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
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**Subject: Receive and File Report Back on Climate Protection Plan Status**

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that your Board receive and file an oral presentation updating the progress made to date on reducing green house gas (GHG) emissions from County operations.

**Background:**

In April of 2011, your Board received a presentation updating you on the preparation and status of the County of Ventura's Climate Protection Plan (CPP) for County operations. The CPP, with its fifteen commitments to climate protection, is intended to act as a guidepost for future County operational decisions, directing our actions in order to attain our stated GHG emissions reduction target of 15% below 2005 emission levels by the year 2020. During that presentation, your Board was also presented with the first CPP Annual Report providing a high level overview of ongoing activities and accomplishments related to the CPP's fifteen commitments, as well as, identifying the work ahead.

**Discussion:**

Since last April's presentation, our office along with Anacapa Consulting has been working with the CPP Steering Committee, made up of Department and Agency Directors, with the stated objective of adhering to the County's Climate Protection Plan, in order to meet our GHG emissions reduction target by 2020. Today your Board is presented with the Government Operations Footprint Report (Exhibit 1) and 2012 CPP Annual Report (Exhibit 2), providing an overview of those activities and accomplishments which have transpired during the preceding 12 months. As detailed

within these reports, the County is making strong progress towards attaining the GHG emissions reduction goal set by your Board. This office will continue to update your Board annually, in conjunction with Supervisor Bennett's Climate Change Action Awards, on those activities conducted during the preceding 12 month period.

The attached Government Operations Footprint Report and CPP Annual Report have been reviewed by all member of the CPP Steering Committee. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Burgh at 477-1994.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeff Burgh", enclosed within a large, loopy oval shape.

Jeff Burgh  
Deputy Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Powers", written in a cursive style.

Michael Powers  
County Executive Officer

#### Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Government Operations Footprint Report  
Exhibit 2 –Climate Protection Plan Annual Report