

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	September 30, 2026
SUBJECT:	Receive Presentation from Representatives of Allotrope or Other Project Partners Regarding a Potential Transformative Climate Communities Grant Application and Consider Whether to Direct Staff to Participate
AGENDA ITEM:	5(c)
STAFF CONTACT:	Sean Tiedgen, AICP, Executive Director

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board of directors:

1. Receive a presentation from representatives from Allotrope and/or other project partners collaborating on a potential Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) grant application for development; and
2. Consider directing the executive director to sign SRTA on as a Co-Applicant or technical advisor for the TCC grant application.

DISCUSSION:

SRTA staff received notice last week regarding a group of organizations considering pursuing a TCC grant to fund a feasibility study focused on improvements on industrial land in the unincorporated area of Shasta County east and south of the city of Anderson. Applications are due September 30, 2026.

The project proposes funding a feasibility study to benefit Community Service Area (CSA) 17 in Cottonwood and surrounding areas through wastewater plant improvements, clean industry economic development, and potential compressed natural gas or renewable natural gas fueling station options that would benefit regional timber and other heavy-duty vehicle industries. Representatives from Allotrope expressed interest in SRTA's participation and potential role as a co-applicant or technical advisor for the transportation elements of the project.

Staff asked Allotrope representatives to present to the SRTA Board of Directors on the objectives, timeline, scope of work, and costs of the project, planned participants (including who is project lead), and SRTA's potential role in the project. Staff are having ongoing conversations with project proponents and will share findings with the board of directors on the potential fit of SRTA's participation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Transformative Climate Communities program provides up to \$5 million for 'Project Development' grants. Funding may be available to SRTA to support staff participation in the effort.

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Sean Tiedgen, AICP, Executive Director