



**SIERRA CLUB**  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY



1/18/2022

**Subject:** Comment on Building Electrification Ordinance for 1-18-22 BOS meeting

Dear Chair Mitchoff and Supervisors Anderson, Burgis, Gioia and Glover;

On behalf of the organizations signed below, I am writing in support of Ordinance Number 2022-02 to require new construction to be all-electric. Our organizations recognize that climate change threatens the health and well-being of people and ecosystems, with the greatest impacts felt by the most vulnerable communities.

It is urgent that this ordinance be adopted and implemented as soon as possible. The last Contra Costa County Climate Action Plan attributed 28% of emissions to buildings. Curbing these emissions is critical to reducing emissions as laid out in the County's Climate Action Plan.

We thank the Board for authorizing the development of an all-electric reach code for new construction and committing to adopt it when they passed the Climate Emergency Resolution. The Board's action on this item is aligned with the Contra Costa Sustainability Commission, which unanimously supported a Building Electrification policy.

Sincerely,

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