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## Board of County Commissioners

U.S. Department of Energy, Grid Deployment Office  
Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations  
1000 Independence Ave SW  
Washington, DC 20585

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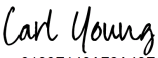
RE: Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) - Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP) -  
DE-FOA-0003195  
Letter of Support/San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter confirms the Huerfano County's support for San Isabel Electric Association's (SIEA) participation in San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative ("Applicant") "Climate Shield Cooperative Network (CSCN)" project ("the Project"). SIEA's proposed projects, which include enhanced wildfire mitigation efforts to harden our electric grid by deploying reclosers and fuses, undergrounding and rebuilding lines, and implementing robust monitoring and control systems (SCADA) to ensure reliable operation and coordination with existing wildfire mitigation measures and outage management systems for comprehensive risk reduction, will significantly enhance energy resilience and mitigate a significant portion utility-related wildfire risks in this portion of Huerfano County's jurisdiction.

Huerfano County is pleased to support SIEA in its application under the DOE's GRIP FOA 0003195 for Topic Area 1: Grid Resilience. The Project will advance DOE's objectives by increasing the resilience of the electric power system by deploying cost-effective grid upgrades that also improve the local community. Please contact me if you have any questions on the contents of this letter or with respect to Huerfano County's support of the Project.

Sincerely,

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Carl Young  
Huerfano County Administrator