



County of Fresno

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Michael F. Lawrence, President
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RE: Successful Fresno County Enterprise Zone Application Development

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your team at Jack Faucett Associates, especially Jason Bezis, Paul Nguyen and Kristin Noyes, for the imagination, dedication and hard work put into the 2006 Fresno County Enterprise Zone (EZ) application. As you know our vision for the EZ was unique as we created a team of ten rural agricultural cities and the County to form the largest EZ ever conceived. Your team worked with all of the EZ member jurisdictions to craft an application that was ranked first among the 25 EZ applications received by the State in 2006.

Your charge was made even more challenging as the application needed to be designed and assembled in a restricted time period during our record breaking summer heat storm. Your team never lost its focus and, working under the supervision of the County Economic Development Coordinator Jose Leon-Barraza, collaborated with the County and City staff as well as the Economic Development Corporation serving Fresno County and the Fresno County Workforce Investment Board, to develop EZ marketing, finance, voucher and development plans that contributed to the highest scoring application.

Your team did an excellent job of keeping the County Staff and the Board of Supervisors informed as to the progress of the application. The workers and firms of Fresno County can look forward to benefits offered by our new Enterprise Zone.

Sincerely

Bart Bohn
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