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## Prop 30 Impact Fact Sheet

### Wildfires

- According to a recent Wildfire Conservancy Study<sup>1</sup>, Prop 30 will enable faster wildfire response and decrease the damaging effects of wildfires, including an estimated average of:
  - **Preventing 150 large wildfires** of 10 acres or greater each year
  - **Stopping 300,000-500,000 acres** from burning each year
  - **Lowering carbon emissions by up to 12 million metric tons** each year
  - **Hardening 50,000 of the most at-risk homes**
- The Wildlife Conservancy study also found conclusive evidence that after passing Prop 30, we can expect to see an increase in initial attack effectiveness, an increase in forest/ecosystem health, an increase in the resilience of our natural environment, a decrease in the total number of ignitions that occur each year, a decrease in the risk and severity of wildfires across millions of acres, a decrease in hazardous, toxic, and carcinogenic exposures for firefighters, a decrease in homes, lives, and infrastructure lost each year, and a decrease in job loss after wildfires have destroyed entire communities.<sup>1</sup>
- An economic analysis of the per-acre cost of wildfires — which took into account avoided loss of life, health, structures, business activity, and resources, as well as savings to federal, state, and local governments — found that the wildfire prevention elements of Prop 30 would likely result in **\$11.8 billion of economic benefit to Californians** in an average year where most wildfires occur in sparsely populated rural areas. In a year which avoided or curtailed a catastrophic fire, **the economic benefit could be as high as \$23 billion.**<sup>2</sup>

### Zero-Emissions Vehicles

- The current subsidies offered by the IRA (up to \$7,500 per vehicle) are insufficient to encourage low- and middle-income Californians to afford ZEVs.<sup>3</sup>
- CARB has significant leeway in setting subsidy levels to maximize the impact of Prop 30 funds, making a precise estimate of Prop 30's impact on the number of ZEVs available difficult to determine.
- According to campaign modeling, Prop 30 will put an additional 10-15 million ZEVs on California roads.

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<sup>1</sup> Wildfire Conservancy Study, "Wildfire Risk in California: An Assessment of Potential Investment in Prevention and Suppression Programs" [[link](#)]

<sup>2</sup> Brad Williams Economic Study

<sup>3</sup> RMI, "Increasing Equitable EV Access and Charging: A Path Forward for States" [[link](#)]



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## Charging Infrastructure

- Even with funding for charging infrastructure from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the IRA, and the state budget, California will not be on track to meet charging infrastructure demand created by the CARB 2035 ZEV requirement.<sup>4</sup>
- At current investment levels, California is estimated to install 9.1m chargers by 2042. Prop 30 would enable California to build an **additional 7.4m chargers**.<sup>4</sup>
- Compared to current investment levels, Prop 30 will lead to **3x as many chargers being located in disadvantaged communities**.<sup>4</sup>

## Clean Energy Jobs and the Green Economy

- Modeling suggests that the charging infrastructure and ZEV components of Prop 30 will **create 10,321 new job-years in California**, with most likely to be high-paying, union jobs. RMI estimates that Prop 30 is likely to create even more indirect jobs through the associated industries needed to support ZEV manufacturing and installation, such as electrical and cloud infrastructure.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> E3, “EV Infrastructure Assessment: Proposition 30” [[link](#)]

<sup>5</sup> RMI, “Increasing Equitable EV Access and Charging: A Path Forward for States” [[link](#)]