Rebecca Buck

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To: Rebecca Buck

Subject: Input on the Governor's proposed FY2019 state budget

Dear Ms. Buck,

I understand that the House and Senate Appropriation committees recently held some public hearings about the Governor's proposed FY2019 state budget. While I could not attend the meetings in my area, I am writing to encourage funding for climate action, and in particular, a study of carbon pricing.

As a climate scientist, a teacher, and a mom, I am afraid that our continued inaction will pass along a vastly different planet to the next generation, one which will not be habitable for many species that live on it today. While a few climate change impacts may prove beneficial for Vermont in the very short term, stronger storms, floods, droughts, and extreme heat will undoubtedly win out. We simply cannot let future generations clean up our mess, while at the same time facing the consequences of climate change including food scarcity, water shortages, and mass migrations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards, Janel Hanrahan

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