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### REPORT FINDS INEQUITY IN CLIMATE RESILIENCE FUNDING

A new report from the **Gender Equity Policy Institute** is critical of the state's proposed \$5.7 billion in climate resiliency spending, arguing that a disproportionate amount of the funds are going to mostly rural, most white and most male regions of the state.

Specifically, the North Coast and Sierra Nevada regions.

With 1% of the state's population, the North Coast is slated to receive 7% of climate resilience funds, while the Sierra Nevada region, with 3% of the population, is set to receive 9% of funds.

"This translates to a per capita investment of \$1124 in the North Coast Region and \$516 in the Sierra Nevada region," according to a statement released along with the report.

This contrasts with the Los Angeles region, which is the least white, most populous and second most female region in the state. Comprising 45% of the state's population, the region will receive 21% of climate resiliency funding, a per capita investment of just \$84, according to the Gender Equity Policy Institute.

The report points out that nearly a quarter of climate resiliency funds are going to regions comprising just 7% of the state's population — the North Coast, Sierra Nevada and Inland Deserts regions.

"The Sacramento Valley, the most female region in the state, is the only other region besides the Los Angeles region projected to receive less than its fair share of funding," according to the report.

You can read the full report, titled "Failing the Climate Justice Test," for yourself [by visiting here](#).