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## Highlights on how the *Inflation Reduction Act* will deliver for California

### Lowering Health Care Premiums for Millions of Californians

- Extends for another three years the American Rescue Plan's Affordable Care Act premium subsidies, which have helped **1.8 million Californians access and retain health insurance coverage**. Without an extension of these premium subsidies, an estimated 220,000 Californians could be priced out of coverage, and nearly one million low-income Californians would see their premium costs double.

### Saving Money for Californians on Medicare and Lowering Cost of Prescription Drugs

- Caps out-of-pocket costs at \$2,000 per year for **California's 6.5 million Medicare beneficiaries**, with the option to break that amount into affordable monthly payments.
- Reduces prescription drug prices for Medicare beneficiaries by requiring Medicare to negotiate prices for prescription drugs each year starting in 2023.
- Caps insulin costs at \$35 per month for Medicare beneficiaries.

### Investing in Drought Resiliency, Wildfire Prevention, and Ecosystem Restoration

- \$4 billion for drought resiliency in Western states facing historic levels of long-term drought, with priority for the **Colorado River Basin** and inland water bodies like the **Salton Sea**.
- \$5 billion to support healthy, fire-resilient forests, forest conservation, and urban tree planting. This funding includes \$1.8 billion specifically to reduce the threat of **catastrophic wildfires and protect communities**.
- \$2.6 billion in grants to conserve and restore coastal habitats.
- \$1 billion for the National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management land conservation.

### Helping Consumers buy Energy Efficient Vehicles and Appliances

- \$9 billion in consumer home energy rebate programs, focused on low-income consumers, to electrify home appliances and for energy-efficient retrofits.
- 10 years of consumer tax credits to make homes more energy efficient, making heat pumps, rooftop solar, electric HVAC, water heaters, and electric appliances more affordable.
- A new consumer tax credit of up to \$4,000 for middle- and lower-income people to buy used clean vehicles (available for individuals with incomes up to \$75,000, married couples earning \$150,000 who file taxes jointly, and \$112,500 for head of household filers).

### Improving Transportation to Reduce Pollution

- \$3 billion to reduce air pollution at **ports**, including \$750 million for communities like those in **40 of California's 58 counties** that don't meet national air quality standards.
- \$1 billion for clean heavy-duty trucks, including school buses and transit buses, of which \$400 million is reserved for communities that don't meet national air quality standards. The bill includes a first-ever commercial clean vehicle tax credit of up to \$40,000 that can also be used by school districts, transit agencies, and local governments.
- \$3 billion to support projects that reduce pollution and improve access to safe and affordable transportation. This includes projects to retrofit transportation infrastructure like highways that have left communities divided and improvements to **reduce extreme heat in urban areas**.
- A new tax credit and grants to support sustainable aviation fuel and related infrastructure at airports like **LAX and SFO**.

### Investing in a Greener Economy and Creating Jobs

- \$30 billion in tax credits to accelerate domestic production of solar panels, wind turbines, batteries, and critical minerals processing.
- A new \$10 billion investment tax credit to build new manufacturing facilities for clean technologies such as electric vehicles, wind turbines, and solar panels.
- \$2 billion for National Labs, **including those in Berkeley, Livermore, and Menlo Park** to accelerate breakthrough energy research.