

Enterprising Environmental Solutions, Inc.

(Harrisburg, PA)

Center for State Climate Strategies

Total Award: \$75,000 over 1 year

To support the Center for State Climate Strategies, a project of the Enterprising Environmental Solutions, Inc., to develop a strategic climate change policy in the state of Arizona. In the wake of minimal federal government leadership, the Center recognizes that individual states have an opportunity to lead in the adoption of new guidelines curbing green house gas emissions and promoting greener policies. Arizona and New Mexico are prime for such bold initiatives with governors who are engaged in not only reducing emissions, but also in setting an example for the nation. The Center will develop stakeholder and technical working groups, which will in turn produce state public policy recommendations. During the working group phase, the public will have full access to attend meetings as observers, and read all materials prior and following meetings through various websites. The first stakeholders meeting could be held as early as April 2005 with meetings continuing into 2006. Conjointly, as chair of the Western Governor's Association for 2005 and as the current chair of the Western Regional Air Partnership, Arizona Governor Napolitano intends to work with New Mexico Governor Richardson to elevate the greenhouse gas issue as a priority for discussion among peers in the region beginning in June 2006.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$50,000 Environment Program: *Objective I, Strategies 1 & 2, Objective II, Strategy 1*

\$25,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice: *Objectives I & II*