



June 14, 2023

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RE: Twenty-five Year Lookback

Dear Jackie,

Thank you for discussing the twenty-five year lookback project with me on June 7. The Association is supportive of the goals of the project centered on articulating the overall impact of the First 5 Network since the passage of Proposition 10 in 1998.

Given the significant role local First 5 Commissions have played in family and systems impact, and the fact that the final product(s) of the twenty-five year lookback will be used by the entire First 5 Network to tell our story and inform our work, the Association and individual counties expect to be close partners with First 5 California project. At a minimum, we look forward to informing the scope and deliverables of the project, help select the team who conducts this assessment, and provide history, content, and perspectives for the project.

Thank you for investing in this important work. I look forward to engaging with you, your staff, and the Commission on the twenty-five year lookback.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Avo Makdessian".

Avo Makdessian
Executive Director