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**AEA Submits Alaska's National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Plan**

*Alaska is slated to receive \$50 million over five years for EV charging infrastructure*

(Anchorage) — On Friday, the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA), in coordination with the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF), submitted its [State of Alaska Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Implementation Plan \(The Plan\)](#) to the United States Joint Office of Energy and Transportation. Once approved, The Plan will allow Alaska to receive millions in federal funding to strategically deploy electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure.

Through the National Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Alaska will receive \$50 million over five years to build out a network of EV charging stations along highway corridors. The funds will be received by DOT&PF and administered by AEA for the duration of the program. The Plan was developed in collaboration with multiple State agencies and partners, local governments, utilities, and other stakeholder groups in Alaska. The Plan is a five-year vision and is intended to be a living document updated regularly to reflect changes to initiatives and focus areas.

"Alaskans have an incredible opportunity to benefit from these federal infrastructure investments," said **AEA Executive Director Curtis W. Thayer**. "This plan builds on Alaska's interest in clean transportation, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and ensuring that Alaskans and visitors alike have a reliable, convenient network of EV chargers."

"We are pleased to partner with AEA, an agency that shares our commitment to Alaskans," said **DOT&PF Commissioner Ryan Anderson, PE**. "Together, we combine AEA's expertise in energy infrastructure with DOT&PF's knowledge of Alaskans' distinct transportation needs, allowing us to ensure EV charging infrastructure investments by the State are strategic, coordinated, efficient, and equitable."

The NEVI funding will be distributed over five years (2022-2026). The first round of funding prioritizes the installation of EV charging stations every 50 miles along the State's designated Alternative Fuel Corridor (AFC) and within one travel mile of the highway. The new charging stations must have at least four EV fast charging ports. The NEVI program also allocates \$2.5 billion for discretionary grants to support charging stations along other highway corridors and community charging grants. The Joint Office will provide additional guidance for discretionary grants in Fall 2022.

The NEVI Program provides formula funding to states to award grants to private, public, and nonprofit entities to build, own, maintain and operate chargers. The program pays up to 80 percent of eligible costs for charging infrastructure. Neither AEA nor DOT&PF plans to own or operate any EV chargers.

The Plan outlines a strategy for using the NEVI formula funds to deliver EV charging infrastructure that will enable light-duty EV travel and provide confidence when commuting throughout the state for work, recreation, and tourism. This Plan supports the goals and objectives of the State's long-range transportation plan. Programs and projects funded through the NEVI Program will follow the U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration's regulatory requirements and will be included in DOT&PF's Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan.

AEA will continue to be open to questions and comments on The Plan, and those can be submitted to [electricvehicles@akenergyauthority.org](mailto:electricvehicles@akenergyauthority.org). We encourage the public to periodically visit this site for installation progress, FAQs, and further planning updates. For more information, visit [Alaska's NEVI Plan](#).

The Alaska Energy Authority is a public corporation of the state. Its mission is to reduce the cost of energy in Alaska.

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