#### ALASKA ENERGY AUTHORITY

Alaska's National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program

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## Who We Are





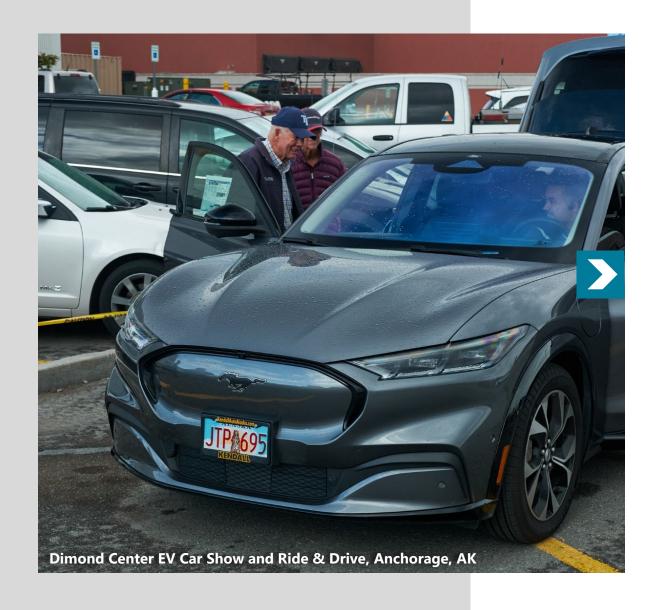
#### **Our Mission**

Reduce the cost of energy in Alaska.



Created in 1976 by the Alaska Legislature, the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) is a public corporation of the State of Alaska governed by a board of directors with the mission to "reduce the cost of energy in Alaska." AEA is the state's energy office and lead agency for statewide energy policy and program development.





## **AEA EV Mission Statement**

Lead the effort to minimize barriers to EV adoption in Alaska.





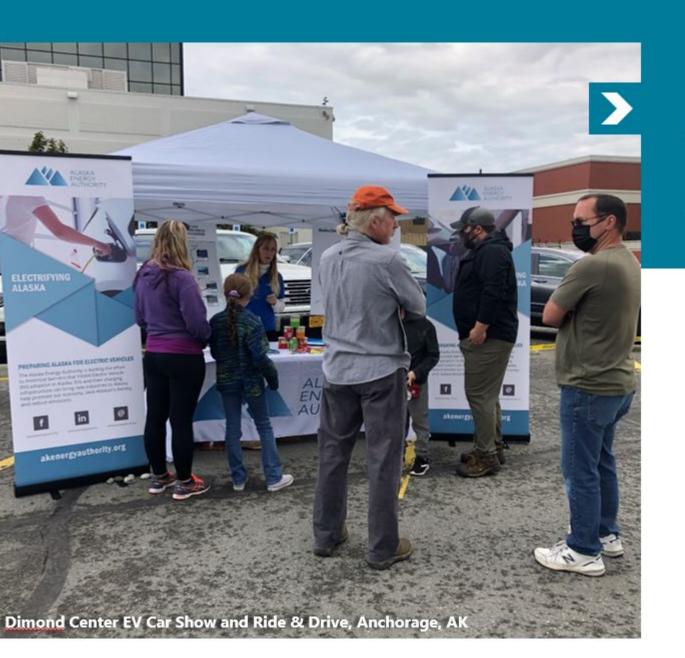
## Volkswagen Settlement Funds: Fast Charging Sites

#### **Sites Open Now**

- •Anchorage; Dimond Center
- **Homer**; AJ's Old Town Steakhouse & Tavern
- **-Seward**; Seward Chamber of Commerce
- Soldotna; Custom Seafoods
- •Cantwell; Jack River Inn

#### **Sites Under Construction**

- •Chugiak; Three Bears Alaska
- •Cooper Landing; Grizzly Ridge
- •**Healy**; Three Bears Alaska
- •Trapper Creek; Three Bears Alaska



# Barriers to EV Adoption in Alaska

- Lack of charging infrastructure
- Range anxiety
- High demand charges
- Cold climate performance
- Market availability of electric AWD, SUVs, and trucks



# National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program

The National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program is a \$5 billion program established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) to build a national network of 500,000 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations by 2030 along federally designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs).



Create an interconnected network



New FHWA Federal Aid program apportioned to state DOT's



Designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFC's)

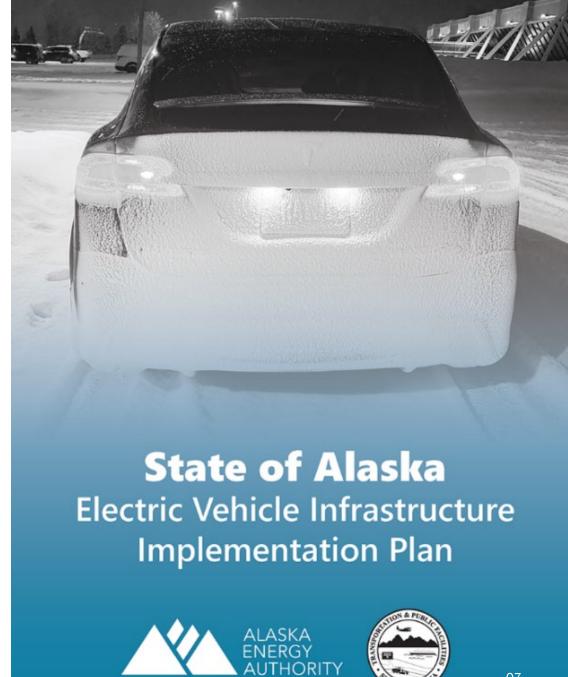


Annual Implementation Plan Required

## Alaska NEVI Plan

AEA and the Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF), submitted their **State of Alaska EV** Infrastructure Implementation Plan (The Plan) to the United States Joint Office of Energy and Transportation, as required by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act's (IIJA) NEVI Formula Program.

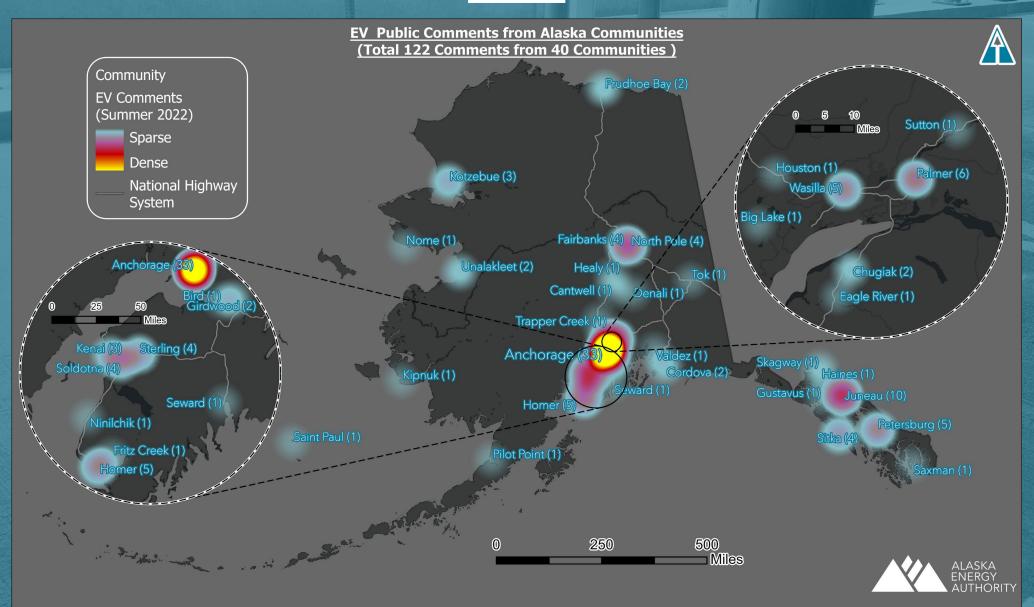
- On September 27, 2022, AEA and DOT&PF secured approval of The Plan.
- The announcement unlocks **\$19 million** to expand EV charging infrastructure in Alaska.
- Over the **next five years**, AEA anticipates receiving **\$52** million. Funds will be received by DOT&PF and administered by AEA.





## Where did plan comments come from?



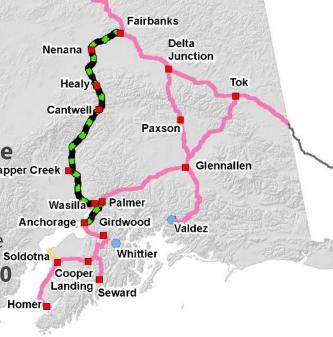


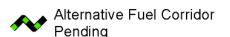


## **NEVI** Requirements

Funding must be used to build out Alternative **Fuel Corridors (AFCs) first** 

- Alaska currently has one AFC
- After AFC buildout, funding can be used elsewhere
- Charging stations must be located no more than 50 miles apart along designated AFC
- Chargers must be located no more than 1 driving mile from AFC
- Charging infrastructure must be **DC fast-charging** 
  - 4 Combined Charging System Connectors
  - >150 kW each
- Justice 40
- Match Requirements
  - Federal share: 80%
  - Private entity or other: 20%





Haines

Skagway

Juneau

- Existing DC Fast Charger (June 2021)
- Community
- National Highways
- NHS Port/Ferry/Airport Terminal
- National Port/Ferry Terminals Jugshare.com; AK DNR

Petersburg

Wrangell

Ketchikan





**Build out Alaska's Alternative Fuel Corridor** 

PHASE 2

**Build out Alaska's Highway** and Marine Highway Systems

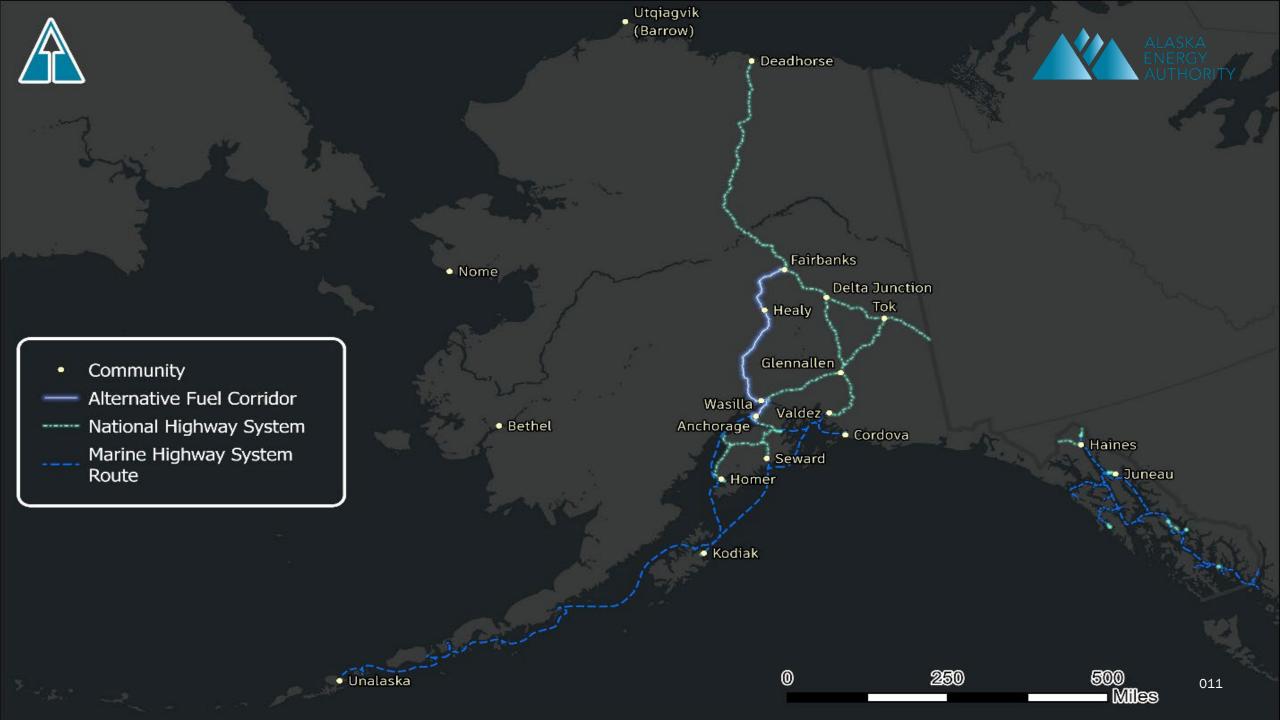
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PHASE 3

Install Charging Stations in Rural Hub Communities

PHASE 4

**Urban and "Destination" Locations** 



#### Electric Vehicle Charging Station Site Host

## Request for Applications (RFA) Timeline

Mar 15 11:30 am - 1 pm



Pre-Application Meeting

Join AEA's hybrid meeting for an opportunity to ask questions in person or on Zoom. March 23



Pre-Application Questions Due

Last chance to submit written questions before the application package is due May 1 4 pm



Applications Due!

To have an application considered submit a response by May 1 at 4pm!

May 24



Tentative Project Selection

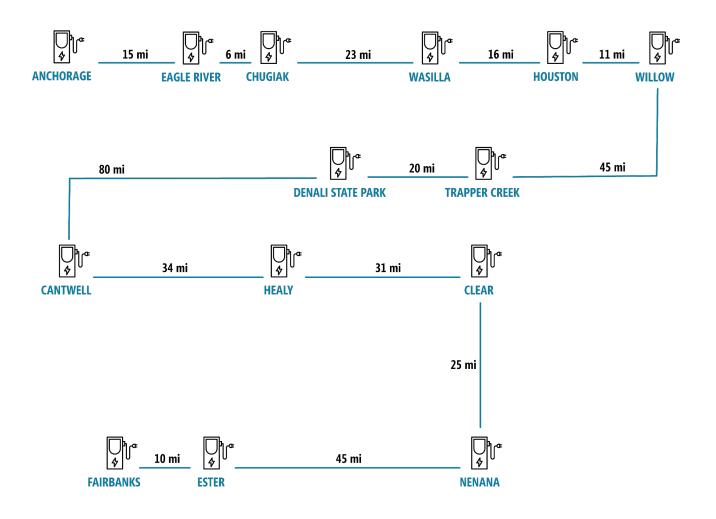
Selected site hosts will be notified of next steps

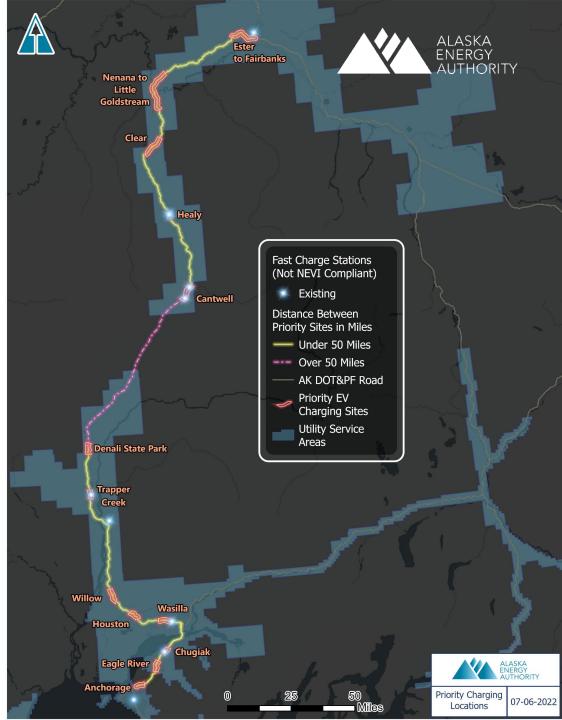
## The RFA was released!

March 1

The RFA has been officially released and is available on the Alaska Energy Authority website

## **Priority AFC Areas**





#### **Funding Availability**

- Up to \$15 million available for this solicitation
- Estimating ~\$1 Million per project
- Currently no project budget cap





## **Eligibility and Funding**

#### **Eligible Applicants**

- Open to a wide range of applicants
- Public, Private, Non-Profit, Tribal, utilities, etc.

#### **Eligible Projects**

- Projects directly related to EV charging
- Publicly available
- Charging network provider

## **Scoring Elements**



| Technical Scoring Element                            | Max Points | % of Total |
|--|------------|------------|
| Understanding of Program and Project Methodology     | 100        | 10%        |
| Management Plan, Schedule, Development and Operation | 200        | 20%        |
| Experience and Qualifications                        | 200        | 20%        |
| Site Proposal  | 300        | 30%        |
| Maximum Technical Application Score                  | 800        | 80%        |
| Pricing Scoring Element                              | Max Points | % of Total |
| Site Pricing Application Cost                        | 100        | 10%        |
| Site Pricing Application Narrative                   | 100        | 10%        |
| Maximum Pricing Application Score                    | 200        | 20%        |
| Overall Maximum Application Score                    | 1000       | 100%       |

## **Evaluation Process**

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- Stage 1 Review: Completeness
- Stage 2 Review: Technical Application
  - Methodology (10%)
  - Management Plan, Schedule, Development and Operation (20%)
  - Experience and Qualifications (20%)
  - Site Proposal (30%)
- Stage 3 Review: Pricing Application
- Stage 4 Review: Final Ranking

**Tentative Project Selection: May 24th** 

**Post Selection Activities:** Environmental Review, Site Control

| Criterion  | Max Points |
|--|------------|
|  | Max Points |
| Utility Service Site Information Form Evaluation                             |            |
| Has the applicant demonstrated a clear understanding regarding the           | 80         |
| infrastructure needs and utility improvement costs for the site?             |            |
| Does the project schedule align with the demonstrated utility                |            |
| infrastructure and utility needs?  |            |
| Site is located within 1 mile of the highway                                 |            |
| Within 1 mile: 60 points   |            |
| 1-3 miles: 30 points   | 60         |
| 3-5 miles: 15 points   |            |
| Over 5 miles: 0 points   |            |
| Site provides adequate lighting for security around the EVSE.                | 20         |
| Site has amenities for users to access while charging their vehicle.         | 40         |
| Site is located within a Justice40 boundary.                                 | 40         |
| Site match contribution:   |            |
| 20%: 20 points   | 60         |
| 25%: 40 points   | 00         |
| 30% 60 points  |            |
| Total Available Base Points  | 300        |
| Bonus Considerations   | Max Points |
| Site offers pull through charging access.                                    | 20         |
| Site offers make-ready work for additional ports and increased speed (e.g.   | 20         |
| 350 kW) in the future.   | 20         |
| Site offers additional plug standards to be inclusive of other drivers (e.g. | 10         |
| NACS and CHAdeMO)  | 10         |



## **BIL Funding Opportunities**



#### **NEVI Competitive Grants**

Rural EV Charging Deployment

### **Vehicle Technologies Office**

 Integrated Charging System, Off-Road Charging, Demonstration and Deployment

**Grid Resilience State/Tribal Formula Grant Program** 



**AEA** provides energy solutions to meet the unique needs of Alaska's rural and urban communities.

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