Wisconsin Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (WEVI) Awarded Locations FAQ

1. How many applications for EV charging stations did WisDOT receive under the Wisconsin Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (WEVI) Round 1 Request for Proposal (RFP), and how many received an award?

Answer: WisDOT received over 260 applications in response to the WEVI Round 1 RFP for candidate electric vehicle (EV) charging sites. Following the review process, WisDOT awarded National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program funds for charging stations to be installed at 53 sites along Wisconsin's Alternative Fuels Corridors (AFCs). The new fast charging stations will join five preexisting federally NEVI-compliant charging stations in Wisconsin.

2. At what type of locations are EV charging stations being built along the state's AFCs?

Answer: A majority of WEVI Round 1 charging stations will be built at gas stations, convenience, and retail stores. However, some will be built at hotels and restaurants.

3. What process was used to select grant awardees?

Answer: WisDOT created a fair and uniform basis for evaluating the proposals for each WEVI corridor evaluation zone, detailed in the WEVI Round 1 RFP. Proposals were assessed on a scale of 1-10 with equal weighting based on the following four core evaluation category components: 1. Cost Proposal 2. Site Location 3. Justice40 and Community Engagement, and 4. Site Amenities. Cost was a key consideration component, as detailed in the WEVI Round 1 RFP scoring matrix. When evaluating applications based on their cost, the critical factors for consideration were the project's total cost, the cost per port at the proposed site location, and the degree to which the applicant could contribute more than the required 20% match for the project. Employees from WisDOT conducted the evaluation.

4. When will charging stations be online?

Answer: WisDOT plans for the installation of initial charging stations to begin in late fall 2024 or in early 2025. A map and a complete list of awarded sites can be found on the "Wisconsin's Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure" tab on the <u>WisDOT Electrification</u> Webpage.





5. Will North American Charging Standard (NACS) connectors be available at Wisconsin WEVI charging sites?

Answer: Forty-six of the fifty-three WEVI Round 1 site locations will include NACS connectors. While site applicants were not required to incorporate NACS adapters in their site plans, NACS and future proofing were among the additional considerations afforded proposals. Applicants were welcome to include plans for NACS adapters in addition to the minimum NEVI requirements in their application.

6. Will a charging transaction be based on the electricity price charged in dollars per kilowatt hour (\$/kWh)?

Answer: Yes. For projects under the WEVI program, the charging price must be displayed before initiating a charging transaction. It must be based on the price of electricity charged in \$/kWh.

7. How many EVs are currently registered in Wisconsin?

Answer: Currently, there are over 23,000 registered EVs in Wisconsin.

8. What comes next with the remaining NEVI funds?

Answer: WisDOT anticipates releasing a second WEVI RFP to address the remaining gaps in the state's EV charging network. The date for that release has yet to be determined. Per NEVI Formula Requirements, once EV charging stations have been installed along the state's AFCs and approved as "built out" by the FHWA, consideration can be given to installing EV charging infrastructure within communities along any public road or publicly accessible location.



