



November 15, 2024

In Reply Refer To:
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Mr. Ronald Henke
Director
North Dakota Department of Transportation
608 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505

Subject: Approval of North Dakota Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan

Dear Director Henke:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has completed the review of the North Dakota Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan required under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program.¹ Based on the review and the recommendations provided by the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office), FHWA has determined that the North Dakota Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan is approved for implementation. With this approval, Fiscal Year 2025 funds are now available to North Dakota for obligation.

The following table details exceptions that were requested in the North Dakota Plan and the approval determinations by FHWA. FHWA’s current process for evaluating an exception to the one-mile travel distance from a designated Alternative Fuel Corridor requires the identification of a specific site location, rather than all potential locations within a more broadly defined area. Because of this, the exceptions have been disapproved at this time. The FHWA and the Joint Office are committed to working with North Dakota in the future to analyze and address these areas.

Location	Type	Determination
I-94 Hebron and Glen Ullin	1-mile proximity to corridor	Disapproved
I-29 Colfax	1-mile proximity to corridor	Disapproved
I-29 Wahpeton	1-mile proximity to corridor	Disapproved

The FHWA and the Joint Office will follow up with States on specific opportunities for improvement in future year plans and will continue to provide technical assistance and guidance as States continue implementation.

¹ The NEVI program is authorized under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), (Pub. L. 117-58)

A publicly accessible version of the North Dakota Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan should be posted to the North Dakota Department of Transportation's website. This approval letter will be available on the FHWA website at https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/nevi/ev_deployment_plans/ along with a link to the Plan on the State website.

Thank you for putting the United States on a path to a nationwide network of EV chargers that can ensure a convenient, affordable, reliable, and equitable charging experience for all users.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Emily Biondi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Emily Biondi
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cc: FHWA: HOA, HCC, HPL, HCF, North Dakota Division Office
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