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Central Texas Transportation Grants, Resources, and Updates Newsletter

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Federal and State Legislative Updates

USDOT Announces All 50 States, DC and Puerto Rico Now Have Alternative Fuel Corridor Designations Through Formula Program

U.S. DOT's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on Jul.7th announced the latest round of Alternative Fuel Corridor designations. Under the new National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program established by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/ Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), funding is directed to designated EV Alternative Fuel Corridors to serve as the backbone for the national electric vehicle charging network. The NEVI Formula Program provides \$1 billion in funding to States for fiscal years 2022-26 to strategically deploy electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure and to establish an interconnected network to facilitate data collection, access, and reliability. 10% of this funding is reserved for States and local governments that require additional assistance to strategically deploy EV charging infrastructure. The NEVI Formula funding also requires the DOT to designate national EV charging corridors that identify the near and long term need for, and the location of, EV charging infrastructure to support freight and goods movement at strategic locations:

- along major national highways and the National Highway Freight Network; and
- at goods movement locations, including ports, intermodal centers, and warehousing locations.

NEVI also requires that any EV charging infrastructure projects acquired or installed with NEVI Formula funding be located in general, along a designated alternative fuel corridor. FHWA announced a total of approximately 250 new designations nationwide based on nominations by state and local officials, the most since the program initiated in 2016.

For more information on NEVI Formula funding, [click here!](#)

Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group (CTRTAG) Updates

Local Agency Update

As part of CTRTAG's implementation of the 2022-26 Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan, one of the strategies in the implementation matrix is to introduce a "Local Agency Update" to CTRTAG meetings. This Update will serve to have local city leaders address the Board to discuss their public transportation needs and efforts! The first Local Agency Update will be held at the next CTRTAG meeting on Thursday, Aug..11th.

To access the 2022-26 RCTP, [Click Here!](#)

If you are interested in providing a Local Agency Update for your City/County, contact dominic.elizondo@ctcog.org.

As part of the coordination of resources and efforts for the implementation of the 2022-26 RCTP, staff has created a new Central Texas Transportation Facebook page to post resources and updates on implementation of the RCTP. Like and follow the page [here!](#)

Funding Opportunities and Resources

FTA's Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning

This program provides funding to communities to integrate land use and transportation planning in new fixed guideway and core capacity transit project corridors. Comprehensive or site- specific planning funded through the pilot program must examine ways to improve economic development and ridership potential, foster multimodal connectivity and accessibility, improve transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, engage the private sector, identify infrastructure needs, and enable mixed-use development near transit stations. Eligible applicants are FTA grantees as of the publication date of the NOFO, and must either be the project sponsor of an eligible transit capital project or an entity with land use planning authority in an eligible transit capital project corridor. The deadline to apply is Jul.25. For more information, click [here!](#)