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## State of Idaho Receives \$4 Million for Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

BOISE -- On September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced that the Idaho Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan required under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program was approved for implementation. There is now \$4,425,511 in funds available to Idaho to strategically deploy EV charging infrastructure and to establish an interconnected network to facilitate data collection, access, and reliability. For the Fiscal Years 2022-2026, Idaho is expected to receive just under \$30 million through the NEVI Formula Program. A portion of the FY22 funding will be used to conduct a siting, access, and feasibility study to guide EV fast charger buildout.

Office of Energy and Mineral Resources Administrator, Richard Stover, announced "the approval of Idaho's NEVI plan is welcome news. This plan was the culmination of extensive outreach and community input and reflects a strong working partnership between the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the Office of Energy and Mineral Resources (OEMR), and other stakeholders and community members across Idaho. Its approval represents an important step in infrastructure, economic and workforce development in Idaho. Over the next year, we will be conducting a siting, feasibility, and access study to determine how and where to deploy this funding. This study will involve significant outreach to local communities, disadvantaged communities across Idaho, and possible funding partners. We are excited to get this plan moving."

The Idaho Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan may be viewed on OEMR's NEVI webpage. <u>https://oemr.idaho.gov/programs/national-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-program/</u>