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AEA Awards Nearly \$1 Million for Nine EV Fast-Charging Stations

(Anchorage) – The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) awarded nearly \$1 million in grants to support the installation of eight Level 2 (L2) electric vehicle (EV) fast-charging stations and 15 Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) stations at nine locations across Alaska. These sites, located less than 100 miles apart along the state’s backbone highway system, will help develop Alaska’s EV charging infrastructure critical to encouraging further EV adoption. The successful applicants are contributing an additional \$500,000 in matching funds for a total of approximately \$1.5 million in EV charging infrastructure. The goal is to have the corridor fully operational by summer 2022.

“These grants demonstrate AEA’s commitment to deploy EV chargers across the state and facilitate EV adoption among Alaska drivers,” AEA Executive Director Curtis W. Thayer said. “This is a major step toward an electrified transportation future in Alaska. EVs and their charging infrastructure can bring new industries to Alaska, and help promote our economy and save Alaskan’s money.”

AEA received and reviewed 24 applications. Funding for the grants comes from Alaska’s portion of the Volkswagen Mitigation Trust Fund and the United States Department of Energy’s State Energy Program. Public and private entities were eligible to apply for the grants, which provided for partial funding for EV charging stations, up to \$110,000 per site. AEA awarded a total of approximately \$960,000 to the successful applicants. The granted amount shown below does not include the applicant’s matching funds.

Community	Grantee	Chargers	Total Granted
Seward	Seward Chamber of Commerce	1 DCFC and 1 L2	\$109,000
Homer	AJ’s Old Town Steakhouse and Tavern	2 DCFC	\$110,000
Soldotna	Custom Seafood Processors	2 DCFC	\$110,000
Cooper Landing	Grizzly Ridge Lodge	2 DCFC	\$110,000
Anchorage	Dimond Center	1 DCFC	\$110,000
Chugiak	Three Bears Alaska	2 DCFC and 2 L2	\$110,000
Trapper Creek	Three Bears Alaska	2 DCFC and 2 L2	\$110,000
Cantwell	Jack River Inn	1 DCFC and 1 L2	\$86,000
Healy	Three Bears Alaska	2 DCFC and 2 L2	\$106,000

The Alaska Energy Authority is a public corporation of the state. Its mission is to reduce the cost of energy in Alaska.

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