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AEA Awarded \$32.8 Million Through DOE Grid Resilience Program

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska—The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) will receive approximately \$32.8 million in additional federal funding through the U.S. Department of Energy's Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program. Alaska's allocation is the third largest among states, behind California and Texas, and \$12.8 million more than AEA anticipated.

The funding represents Alaska's combined formula allocation for federal fiscal years 2025 and 2026. It is part of approximately \$967 million announced by DOE to help states, territories, and tribes upgrade electric infrastructure, reduce impacts from disruptive events, and improve grid reliability.

"Receiving the third-largest allocation in the nation reflects both Alaska's infrastructure needs and the importance of continued investment in our electric system," **said AEA CEO and Executive Director Curtis W. Thayer.** "We appreciate the support of Alaska's congressional delegation and their efforts to advance Alaska's energy priorities. This funding will help support future transmission and grid resilience projects across the state."

AEA has secured award agreements for all previously allocated funding under the program. Through two competitive solicitations, AEA selected six projects to strengthen transmission infrastructure and improve grid resilience from Ketchikan to Fairbanks.

To secure all federal funds made available under this allocation, a \$1.8 million state match is required. As with past awards, this funding will support an additional competitive solicitation administered by AEA. Eligible applicants, including entities that participated in previous solicitations, may apply when AEA issues a future request for applications. Additional information will be provided following completion of the federal award process.

DOE's Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program provides funding under Section 40101(d) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. AEA administers funding

allocated to the State of Alaska and selects projects through a competitive application process.

For information about Alaska's Grid Resilience Formula Grant Program, visit AEA's program webpage: <https://www.akenergyauthority.org/40101d>.

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About the Alaska Energy Authority

The Alaska Energy Authority is a public corporation of the state. Its mission is advancing affordable, reliable energy in Alaska. AEA leads the development of critical energy infrastructure, strengthens resilience, reliability, and redundancy across Alaska's energy systems, and supports statewide economic growth by enabling secure, long-term energy solutions for communities, utilities, and industry. To learn more, visit [akenergyauthority.org](https://www.akenergyauthority.org).