- Are RFI respondents limited to manufacturers, fleet owners, and municipalities?
 - The RFI is open to any individual, group, or business to respond.
- How can I get involved in quoting or Bidding the EV units to INDOT?
 - o INDOT will share contracting and procurement guidance following approval of the State EV Implementation plan which is anticipated to be around the fourth quarter of calendar year 2022 (September onwards).
- Our company recently has started selling and installing EV chargers. My question is how can we get involved with our state plan to install these?
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- What would be the cost to the public to use the State Charging spots?
 - User costs associated with charging at NEVI-funded EV charging stations may be determined in the future under the State of Indiana's normal processes and reflective of Federal rules and regulations.
- How can one submit suggestions, or will there be a panel of some kind?
 - The public involvement plan for the State EV Implementation is currently in development and will include opportunities to share comments and suggestions. Once complete, the public involvement plan will be available online at https://www.in.gov/indot/current-programs/innovative-programs/electric-vehiclecharging-infrastructure-network/
- I own a Chevy Bolt and I would like to know when charging stations are going to be put in at gas stations or why can't rest areas be built again with charging stations?
 - O Specific charging station locations are unknown currently. However, federal funding programs for EV infrastructure will prioritize the installation of charging stations along identified Alternative Fuel Corridors. Please note that these locations are not finalized and are subject to change. Data such as EV utilization, dwell sessions, dwell times, unique trips, power availability, proximity to nearby charging infrastructure and public input will be used to guide recommendations on charging station locations at a site level.
- How are the sites for new Level 3 EV charging stations being chosen and prioritized?
 - Charging station locations selected from NEVI will be based on federal and state guidance (NEVI Funding Guidance), travel and traffic data, private sector guidance and expertise, as well as input from the general public.
- Is there anything I can do to advocate for the placement of these stations in strategic areas including specific towns, counties, cities, or regions?

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- The "road tax" or "fuel tax" people call it different things depending on what part of the state you live in, but that money helps to fix the roads correct? If we go to electric cars where does that leave our roads?
 - o The growing adoption of EV and other alternative vehicles will reduce the amount of revenue federal, state, and local governments receive from traditional fuel taxes over time. Policy makers at all levels of government will need to consider and implement alternatives to replace lost fuel tax revenue to maintain safe, reliable transportation networks.
- Why is the state government involved in this?
 - The NEVI Formula Program makes approximately \$100 million available to INDOT over the next five years. This funding comes to the state by federal law and is dedicated specifically to EV charging infrastructure. Under this program, each State is required to submit an EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan that describes how the State intends to use its apportioned NEVI Formula Program funds in accordance with this guidance. INDOT is developing this plan to make sure EV charging deployment decisions are informed by data and public input to get the best return on taxpayer dollars. INDOT's objectives are in line with its overall mandate to provide robust transport infrastructure for the State. This includes responding to changing market trends and consumer preferences around electric drivetrains and supporting these consumers with necessary infrastructure.
- We are interested in assisting the State of Indiana with installing the EV Chargers. Can you
 provide a contact person or more information on how we can get on a list of contractors for this
 project?
 - INDOT will share contracting and procurement guidance following approval of the State EV Implementation plan which in anticipated in the fourth quarter of calendar year 2022 (September onwards).
- The Alternative Fuel Corridor our municipality is located on has a status of "EV Corridor Pending". Will this status affect our ability to apply and ultimately receive any of the funding?
 - All corridors designated by the Federal Highway Administration as Alternative Fuel
 Corridors for EV Charging will be eligible for investment in the NEVI Formula Program
 regardless of whether a given corridor segment is "corridor-pending" or "corridor ready".

- Are there state and/or federal guidelines to the operations and maintenance of the EV charging stations that are ultimately acquired and installed? Or will operations and maintenance be left to the standards and regulations set forth by the municipality?
 - NEVI-funded EV charging stations must meet the operations and maintenance standards included in the February 10, 2022 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) <u>NEVI</u>
 <u>Formula Program Guidance</u> as well as standards included with any subsequent state or federal guidance. On May 13, 2022, the Federal Highway Administration will release new regulations on minimum standards and requirements for the NEVI formula program.
- Will there be a set list or pool of acceptable companies to acquire the EV charging stations from? Or will all EV charging station companies be acceptable if the stations can meet the technical requirements?
 - o INDOT will share contracting and procurement guidance following approval of the State EV Implementation plan which is anticipated to be around the fourth quarter of calendar year 2022 (September onwards).
- Will INDOT approve or be able to provide an exception to DC Fast Chargers with a maximum power level of 120 kW per plug?
 - NEVI-funded EV charging stations must meet the technical requirements defined in the <u>NEVI Formula Program Guidance</u>. On May 13, 2022, the Federal Highway Administration will release new regulations on minimum standards and requirements for the NEVI formula program. With that said, the USDOT and USDOE joint office has indicated to state DOT's that they will evaluate requests for technical exceptions for specific sites on a case-by case basis.