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Presentation for the Introduction to the Fast Charge California Project Webinar

Additional submitted attachment is included below.

Introduction to the Fast Charge California Project

WEBINAR



Implemented by CSE for the California Energy Commission





Introductions

Moderator

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Speakers

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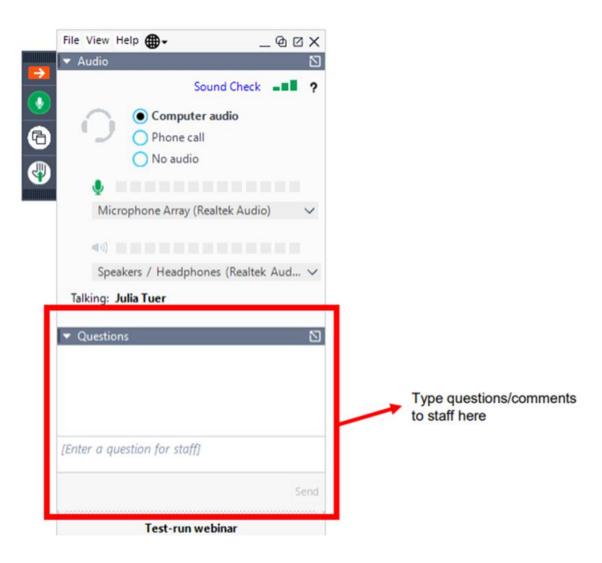


Agenda

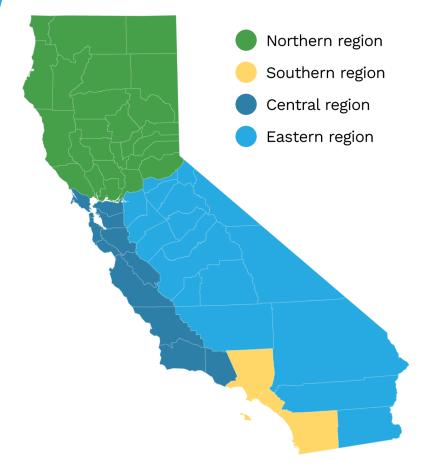
- 1. What is the Fast Charge California Project?
- 2. GSPP vs. FCCP
- 3. Eligibility Requirements
- 4. "Ready to Build" Documentation
- 5. Equipment & Network Requirements
- 6. Application Selection Process
- 7. Project Timeline and Deadlines
- 8. Next Steps
- 9. Q&A



How to Submit Questions



Fast Charge California Project (FCCP)



- \$55M for high-power DC fast chargers
- Up to 100% of eligible costs covered
- Statewide for eligible sites
- Apply July 8 September 30, 2025
- First-come, first-served
- Applicant caps:
 - Max 35% of FCCP funding
 - 50 active applications across CALeVIP 1.0,
 CALeVIP 2.0, and Communities in Charge
- EV network providers and site owners
- Support 5M ZEVs by 2030



Overview of Requirements



DAC/LIC or tribal territory applications prioritized



Ready to Build (issued permit + final utility service design)



High power DC fast chargers only



Sites must be **publicly available**



GSPP vs. FCCP

	Golden State Priority Project	Fast Charge California Project
Regions	Four regions, funds available by region	Four regions, funds available statewide
Priority Populations	Only sites in DAC/LIC/Tribal Lands eligible	Sites in DAC/LIC/Tribal Lands receive priority processing
Technology	High-speed DCFCs (150+ kW)	High-speed DCFCs (150+ kW)
% of Project Costs Reimbursed	50% of eligible costs, up to per port incentive cap	100% of eligible costs, up to per port incentive cap
Site Readiness	Up to 4 tiers of readiness accepted	Must be "Ready to Build"
Stacking with Other Incentives	Allowed in most situations	Not allowed
Application Processing	After Application Window , from most-ready to least-ready	First-Come, First-Served
Applicant Cap	None	No more than 35% of FCCP funding
		No more than 50 active applications



Poll Question #1





Coming Up

- Eligibility Requirements
 - Applicant Eligibility
 - Site Eligibility
 - Labor Requirements
- "Ready to Build" Documentation
- Eligible Costs
- Incentive Stacking

Applicant Eligibility

Applicants Must:

- Must be an **authorized representative** of a commercial or public facility.
- Must be a **California-based** business, nonprofit, tribe, or public entity (or an affiliate)
- Must have **no pending legal actions** that could affect the project or funding



Incentive Recipient Requirements

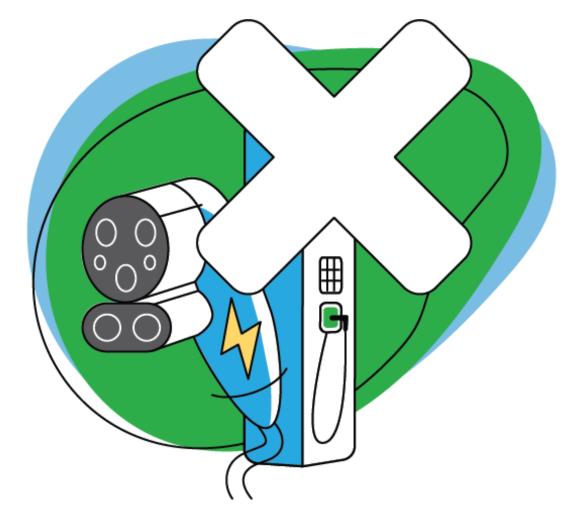
- Must accept incentives directly and cover all installation costs.
- Can be different from the **Applicant** but shares program compliance responsibility.
- Applicant remains the **primary point of contact** with CALeVIP.



Past Performance Reviews

Entities may be excluded from **FCCP** due to:

- Noncompliance with laws or program requirements
- Violations of CALeVIP 2.0 or other programs
- Unreasonable delays or misconduct





Site Eligibility

- Located in California
- Well-lit, secure, and compliant with all regulations
- Primarily serves light-duty vehicles
- Public access requirements:
 - General sites: 24/7 availability
 - Parking lots/garages: At least 18 hours/day, 7 days a week (excluding holidays)
 - No valet use or customer-only use; must be fully public
- Paved installation area required at application time



Site Eligibility

- Airports
- Business districts
- Casinos
- Charging hubs
- City, county or privately owned parking lots or garages
- Colleges or universities
- Community centers
- Gas stations
- Grocery stores

- Hotels
- Large-format retail
- Libraries
- Medical facilities
- Places of worship
- Police or sheriff stations
- Public transit hubs
- Restaurants
- Retail shopping centers



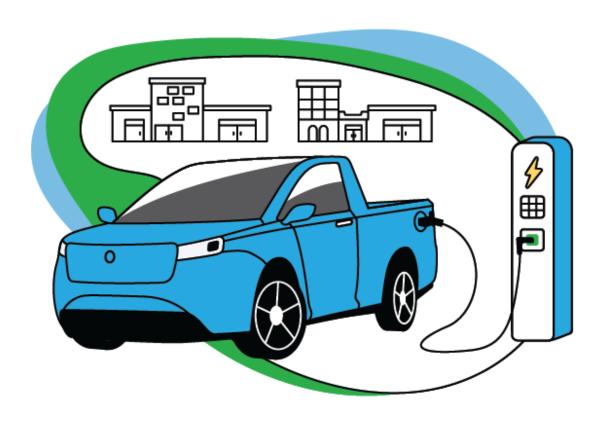


For all eligible site use definitions, visit: calevip.org/fast-charge-california-project

Site Eligibility

Installation site:

- Must be an existing structure or facility
- Must have negligible or no expansion of existing former use
- <u>Cannot</u> be a new development





EV Charging Opportunity Finder

Use the **EV Charging Opportunity Finder** to guide your decision with:

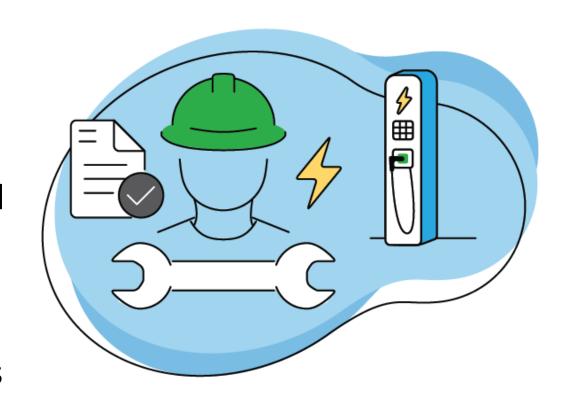
- EV registration data
- Existing charging infrastructure
- Utility service areas





Installation Labor Requirements

- Licensed contractor required
- At least 25% of electricians must be EVITP certified
- Signed EVITP Affidavit needed for incentive approval
- Must comply with local, state, and federal codes, including California prevailing wage laws





Readiness Requirement

A site must meet **both** conditions:

1. Electrical Readiness

- Site has sufficient capacity with no new utility upgrades (utility letter required)
- OR final utility service design is completed & approved (copy required)

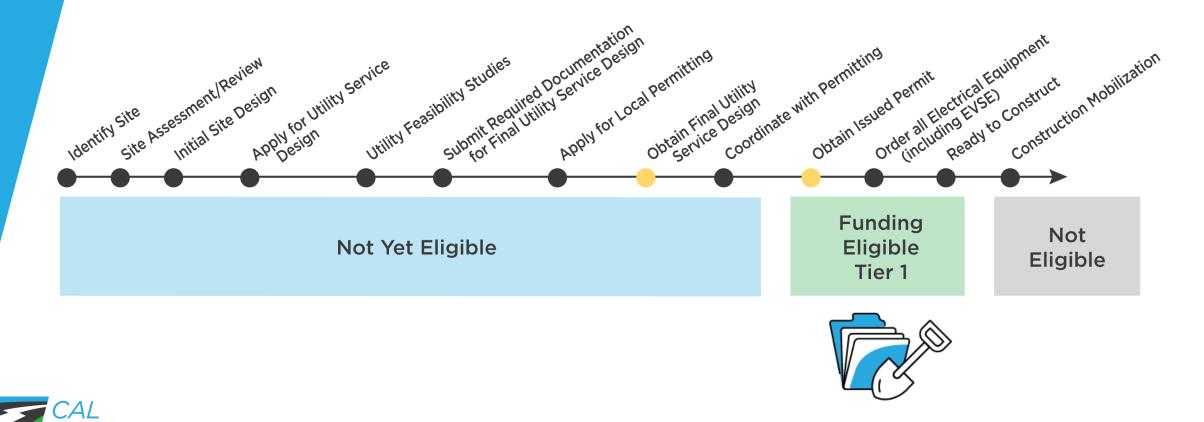
2. Permit Readiness

- Permit issued by Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) (copy required)
- OR self-permitting agencies must provide a compliance letter



"Ready to Build" — Tier 1

BUILDING EV INFRASTRUCTURE



Poll Question #2



Eligible Costs

Paid by Incentive Recipient

- Equipment: DCFC, transformers, switchgear, energy storage, solar EV systems
- Installation: Labor & materials
- Design, engineering & utility service
- Signage & ADA upgrades (project-related only)
- Service & network agreements
- Extended OEM warranties
- Additional charging ports



Eligible Costs

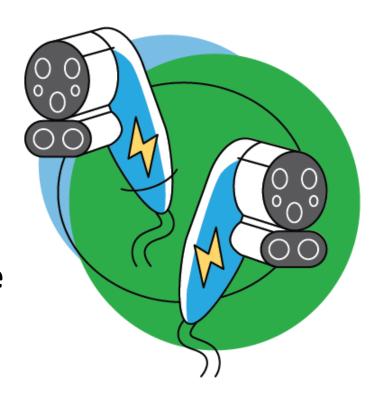
Cost Eligibility Timeline:

- ✓ Eligible costs start January 31, 2025
- **Construction cannot begin before** July 8, 2025
- Early construction disqualifies all costs



Cost of Additional Charging Ports

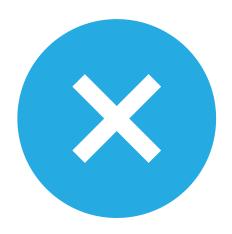
- Extra ports can be installed but won't increase your incentive cap.
- Costs count toward total project costs.
- Incentive cap calculated only on eligible ports that meet program requirements.





Ineligible Costs

- Costs incurred before 01/31/2025
- Costs not incurred by the Incentive Recipient
- Expenses lacking proof of payment
- Costs covered by other incentives
- Permit & code compliance fees
- Stand-alone solar panels
- Unpaved site development or new construction
- Travel, markups, or unpaid costs





Restricted Incentive Stacking

Applicants cannot use other incentives to cover project costs, including:

- CEC funding sources
- Investor-owned utility programs (e.g., SCE Charge Ready 2)
- Publicly owned utility programs (e.g., LADWP, SMUD)
- Air district programs (e.g., Bay Area AQMD, San Joaquin Valley APCD)
- CCA charger rebate programs (e.g., Peninsula Clean Energy)



Allowed Program Combinations

Applicants may combine **FCCP** with:

- EVI utility tariffs (e.g., PG&E, SCE Rule 29)
- Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) credits
- Federal tax credits (e.g., 30C tax credit)





Coming Up

- Equipment & Network Requirements
- Application Selection Process
- Project Timeline & Deadlines
- Questions and Answers section will follow!



Charging Ports: The number of DC fast charger connectors that can simultaneously charge an EV.

Charger	Model A	Model B
Simultaneous Charging Available	Yes	No
Power Output	300 kW	150 kW
Total Connectors	2	2
Charging Ports	2	1
Power Output per Charging Port	150 kW	150 kW
Example	300 kW 150 kW 150 kW	150 kW 150 kW 0 kW



Incentive Level Amounts

Final incentives may cover up to 100% of eligible costs, subject to caps.

Guaranteed Output per Charging Port	Incentive Cap per Charging Port
150 kW – 274.99 kW	\$55,000
275+ kW	\$100,000

Site Requirements:

Minimum Charging Ports	Maximum Charging Ports
4	20





Equipment Specification Requirements

DCFC Equipment Requirements:

- 1. New equipment only
- CCS connectors/adapters required (J3400 & CHAdeMO allowed but not incentivized)
- 3. Networked via Wi-Fi, ethernet, or 4G+ cellular
- 4. 150 kW+ guaranteed power per charging port
- 5. ISO-15118 "Hardware Ready" (self-attested)
- 6. No subscription required for energy access
- Payment, if required, must comply with all accessibility laws





Equipment Certification Requirements

DCFC Certification Requirements

- OCPP 2.0.1 Certified (Core & Advanced Security profiles)
- ENERGY STAR® Certified (unless exempt with an official letter)
- CTEP or NTEP Type Certified (0.0001 kWh resolution)
- UL 2202 or UL 9741 Certified (By a NRTL)
- Listed on the CALeVIP 2.0 Eligible Equipment Dashboard
- For ENERGY STAR® exemptions, contact evse@energystar.gov



To list a charger as eligible equipment, manufacturers must submit a completed online equipment form to CSE through the EV Charger Eligibility Portal at evchargereligibility.org



Equipment Installation Requirements

DCFC Installation Requirements

- New Installations: Requires trenching, conduit, wiring, panel, etc.
- Stub-out/Make-ready: Uses existing infrastructure where no EVSE was previously installed
- Replacements of existing EVSE (L2 or DCFC) are NOT eligible



Poll Question #3





Network Requirements

- Provide networking services for installed DCFCs
- Allow payments via toll-free number & remote start sessions
- Maintain a signed data-sharing agreement with CSE and/or CEC
- Collect & share charging session data (15-min intervals)
- Transfer required data to CSE in an approved format & frequency
- Submit data at least quarterly
- Comply with AB 2061 regulations



To begin the process of becoming an eligible network provider, fill out this <u>intake form</u> and send it to evcharging@energycenter.org



AB 2061 Requirements

CEC's proposal for state and ratepayer-funded EVSE:

- Reliability recordkeeping & reporting required for 6 years
- 97% uptime required for 6 years
- Real-time availability & accessibility data sharing required (public chargers)
- 90% Successful Charge Attempt Rate (SCAR) required for 6
 years (chargers installed after 1/1/26)

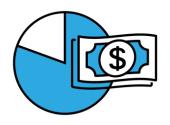


Application Process









Jul. 8, 2025

Application Window Opens

Sept. 30, 2025

Application Window Closes

Jul. 8, 2025 – Nov. 17, 2025

Funding Result Notices Sent to Applicants By Mar. 14, 2026

Funding Result Notices Sent to Waitlist Applicants



Application Process

- X No edits allowed after submission
- Reviewed first come, first served
- Priority review for DAC, LIC, & Tribal Land sites
- Only "Ready to Build" applications meeting all requirements receive funding



Waitlisted Applications

After the application window:

- Eligible (Tier 1 only) applications without funding will be waitlisted for 165 days
- Waitlisted applications may receive funding if funds are released or added
- Waitlist ends on March 14, 2026 remaining applications will be canceled





Resources

Fast Charge California Project

General Forms and Documents



- **Extension & Cancellation Policy**
- 🛼 Extension Request Form
- 🛼 Application Reassociation Form

- 🛼 Network Provider Intake Form
- Site Verification Form
- Equipment Eligibility Resource Guide
- **EVITP Requirements Affidavit**

Fast Charge California Project: Window 1



July-September 2025 Application Window

- 🛼 Implementation Manual
- Fast Charge California Project Overview

- Differences between GSPP and FCCP
- Applicant Site & Eligibility Guide
- 🛼 Network Agreement Acknowledgement Form



Visit: calevip.org/document-library

Application Assistance

Application Assistance is available!

Will run from March 31-September 30, 2025.

Support available for:

- Any remaining eligibility questions.
- Understanding equipment requirements.
- Reviewing tiering documentation.
- Pre-review of applications.

Use the link below or scan the QR code to submit a request for Application Assistance.

https://forms.office.com/r/zas5LiCaBN

FCCP-1 Application Assistance





Poll Question #4





Questions & Answers

Still have questions? Email us: calevip@energycenter.org





Additional Resources

- Visit the FCCP Statewide webpage <u>calevip.org/fast-charge-california-project</u>
- Visit the CALeVIP Webinars webpage for this recording and upcoming webinars <u>calevip.org/events-and-webinars</u>
- Visit <u>CEC Docket 22-EVI-01</u>
 - View all CALeVIP 2.0 webinars and presentations
 - Submit comments

Thank You!

