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Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project Tracker | Public Workshop July 19, 2023



Welcome and Housekeeping





- 9:00 Welcome and Housekeeping
- 9:05 Background
- 9:15 Staff Concept
- 9:30 Questions and Answers
- 10:00 Public Comment
- 10:25 Close and Next Steps



- Workshop is being recorded
- Written comments to docket 23-TRAN-02

Deadline for Written Comments: August 8, 2023

Workshop event webpage: https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/workshop/2023-07/electricvehicle-infrastructure-project-tracker-workshop



Commitment to Diversity

The CEC adopted a resolution strengthening its commitment to diversity in our funding programs. The CEC continues to encourage disadvantaged and underrepresented businesses and communities to engage in and benefit from our many programs.

To meet this commitment, CEC staff conducts outreach efforts and activities to:

- Engage with disadvantaged and underrepresented groups throughout the state
- Notify potential new applicants about the CEC's funding opportunities
- Assist applicants in understanding how to apply for funding from the CEC's programs
- Survey participants to measure progress in diversity outreach efforts



Diversity Survey



Scan the code on a phone or tablet with a QR reader to access the survey.

One Minute Survey

The information supplied will be used for public reporting purposes to display anonymous overall attendance demographics.

Zoom Participants, please use the link in the chat to access the survey or scan the QR code on the left of the screen with a phone or tablet to access the survey.

Survey will be closed at the end of the day.



Background



Clean Transportation Program

The CEC Clean Transportation Program promotes accelerated development and deployment of **zero-emission vehicle infrastructure**, with a focus on underserved communities.

- •Electric vehicle (EV) charging
- •Hydrogen refueling infrastructure
- •Medium/heavy-duty zero-emission vehicle infrastructure
- •Workforce development and training
- In-state manufacturing



CEC EV Charging Deployment

The CEC is investing billions of dollars in EV charging infrastructure...

Selected funding programs



Public passenger EV charging infrastructure



Zero-emission medium/heavy-duty vehicle charging and refueling infrastructure

Rural Electric Vehicle (REV) EV charging infrastructure for rural areas **Reliable, Equitable, and Accessible Charging for Multi-Family Housing (REACH)** EV charging infrastructure for multi-family homes

... but permitting and construction delays are slowing these investments.

Building EV Charging Stations



Utility Design

Permitting

Developer receives permits from local **Authority Having Jurisdiction**

Utility designs required new service

Developer

Construction

Developer builds infrastructure and installs EV chargers

Utility Construction

Energization Utility builds utility-**Project completion** owned infrastructure

Permitting and building EV charging stations requires coordination between Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ), project developers, utilities, and landowners.



- State policy seeks to streamline EV charging permitting
- Investor-owned utilities have adopted target time requirements for utility work on certain EV charging stations

Despite these efforts CEC staff are unaware of a **single statewide database** tracking the time required for:

- 1. Permitting
- 2. Utility design and new service construction
- 3. EV charger developer construction
- 4. Energization

EV Infrastructure Project Tracker

Problem: Building EV charging stations is time consuming, but state agencies do not have a comprehensive understanding of delays.

Solution: The EV Infrastructure Project Tracker will allow the CEC to fully understand how long EV charging projects are taking across California and track progress. Further, it will allow for analysis to see if certain jurisdictions or territories are having longer than average delays.



Staff Concept





CEC staff proposes to develop an EV Infrastructure Project Tracker that will track the permitting and construction of new EV charging sites. The Tracker will consist of:

- 1. Permitting and construction timeline **reporting requirements** in future CEC solicitations
- 2. A data portal for reporting timeline data to the CEC
- 3. A database to allow CEC staff to store and analyze timeline data
- 4. Public web dashboard for reporting project status and trends
- 5. A **noticing system** that lets all site stakeholders know when an action has been taken in the tracker

Reporting Requirements

Future CEC EV charging solicitations will require grantees to report detailed timeline data including:

- AHJ permit submittal date
- AHJ permit approval/denial date
- Utility application submittal date
- Utility final design date
- Developer construction start and complete dates
- Utility construction start and complete dates
- Energization date
- Reasons for permit denial or other project non-completion

Question for stakeholders:

What timeline data is appropriate to collect?



Grantees will use a web-based data portal to submit:

- Site characteristic and timeline data
- Contact information for relevant utility and AHJ

All relevant parties will be notified when a project action has been taken and is in their queue for pending action.

Non-CEC funded projects could participate on an opt-in basis.

Question for stakeholders:

How frequently should data be reported? As project stages are completed, or on a quarterly basis?



The CEC will store timeline and site data, enabling statewide analysis of:

- Average permitting timelines by AHJ
- Specific site characteristics associated with permitting and construction delays
- Other permitting and construction bottlenecks

Question for stakeholders:

What questions should the CEC use this data to analyze?

Question for stakeholders:

Are off-the-shelf products that the CEC could use for this Tracker tool available?



A public web dashboard will display data from the database, including at a minimum:

<u>Statistic</u>	Summarized at:
Time required to receive permits	AHJ or county
Time to final design	Distribution utility
Time to complete developer construction	AHJ or county
Time to complete utility construction and energization	Distribution utility
Whether local AHJ has qualified for permit streamlining	AHJ or county



Web dashboard may use map format to display timeline data summarized at the county level, or potentially individual site level.

County A

- Average permitting timeline: 60 days
- Average utility construction timeline: 140 days
- Average overall project timeline: 220 days

Question for stakeholders:

Should timeline data be summarized at the county level, or displayed for each individual CECfunded EV charging project site?

County B

- Average permitting timeline: 45 days
- Average utility construction timeline: 120 days
- Average overall project timeline: 200 days



The Tracker may include a private noticing system that provides automated status messages to relevant parties, including:

- Grantees
- AHJs
- Utilities

Question for stakeholders:

Would an automated noticing feature speed project timelines? Are there other bottlenecks a noticing system could solve?



Question and Answer

Public Comment





Instruction

- 3 minutes or less per person
- 1 representative per organization

Zoom App/Online

• Click "raise hand"

Telephone

- Press *9 to raise hand
- Press *6 to (un)mute

When called upon

- Staff will open your line
- Unmute, spell name, state affiliation, if any

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Close and Next Steps





Public workshop	July 19, 2023
CEC staff incorporate feedback into revised proposal	Q3 2023
Development period	Q1 – Q2 2024
Public beta launch	Q3 2024
Full launch	Q1 2025

CEC staff plans to incorporate feedback from this workshop into a final development plan and hopes to trial the Tracker in an initial beta solicitation in mid-2024.



Thank you for your participation!

- Written Comments to Docket 23-TRAN-02
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CEC staff will use stakeholder input to create Draft Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project Tracker, which we anticipate releasing for public comment Q3 2023.



Thank You!

