# Electric Vehicle Infrastructure in Vermont

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# VT Global Warming Solutions Act (GWSA)

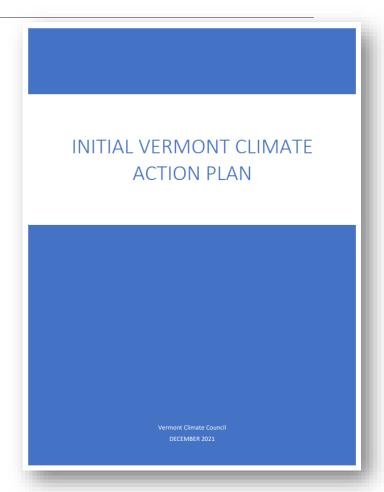
#### Act 153 of 2020

- Reduce GHG emissions below 2005 GHG emissions in Vermont by no less than:
  - 26% below 2005 GHG emission levels by January 1, 2025;
  - 40% below 1990 GHG emission levels by January 1, 2030;
  - 80% below 1990 GHG emission levels by January 1, 2050.
- Create the Vermont Climate Council
- Develop a Climate Action Plan
- Assign Sectoral Proportionality

# VT Climate Action Plan

### Transportation Pathway 1 – Vehicle Electrification

- 1) Technology Forcing ZEV Regulation (100% by 2035)
- 2) EV Purchase Incentives
  - a) New & used EVs and electric bicycles, designed for equity
  - b) Expand to fleets
  - c) Continue MileageSmart and Replace Your Ride
  - d) Vehicle Efficiency Purchase and Use Tax Adjustment
- 3) EV Charging Investment
  - a) Continue support for DCFC and Level 2
  - b) Public, workplace and multifamily priorities
  - c) Direct the PUC to consider EV charging rates
- 4) Transportation Climate Initiative (TCI)
- 5) EV and VMT Reduction Outreach and Education



# DC Fast EV Charging

Sec. 23 of Act 148

(2024 Transportation Bill)

- § 2906. ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT GOALS

  It shall be the goal of the State to have, as practicable, a level 3

  EVSE charging port available to the public:
  - (1) within **three driving miles** of every exit of the Dwight D. Eisenhower National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the State;
  - (2) within **25 miles** of another level 3 EVSE charging port available to the public along a State highway, as defined in subdivision 1(20) of this title; and
  - (3) co-located with or within a safe and both walkable and rollable distance of publicly accessible amenities such as restrooms, restaurants, and convenience stores to provide a safe, consistent, and convenient experience for the traveling public along the State highway system.

# Charging Equipment

### **Level 1 Charging**

120V 5 miles range / hr





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Tesla/NACS/J3400

#### **Level 2 Charging**

240V 10-20 miles / hr











Tesla/NACS/J3400

## **DC Fast Charging**

480V Up to 1,000 miles / hr







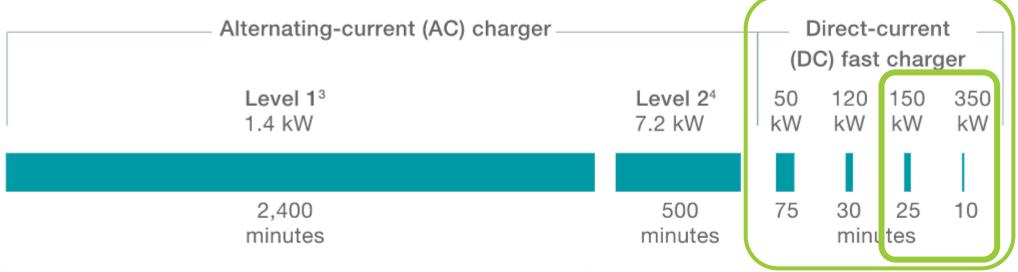


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# Charging Equipment

Time to "fill up" a 60-kWh electric-vehicle (EV)1 battery using different chargers2



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This assumes that the EV can charge at the higher kW direct-current fast-charging stations; most EVs today cannot charge faster than 100 kW.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This assumes that the EV can charge at maximum speed during the entire charge. In reality, the charging speed varies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Level 1 equipment provides charging through a 120-volt AC plug; it generally refers to a household outlet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Level 2 equipment provides charging through a 240-volt AC plug and ranges from 16 to 40 amps. The most common is the 240-volt, 30-amp charger, which is 7.2 kW.

# Charging Equipment

Differences	Location	Charge Time	Price	Level	Driver
between Community and Corridor Charging	Interstate Travel	Travel 20 min	\$\$\$\$	Fast Charging	Parked
<ul> <li>Cost of infrastructure</li> </ul>	Entertainment/ Shopping/ Recreation	Public 0.5 – 3 hours	\$\$\$	L2/L3	Parked
<ul> <li>Cost of charging</li> <li>Charging speed</li> <li>Trip purposes</li> <li>Dwell times</li> </ul>	Work/Transit Parking/Airport	Workplace 4 – 8 hours	\$\$	L1/L2	Parked
	At Home	Residential 8 – 10 hours	\$	L1/L2	Sleeping Parked



# Charging Equipment – Capital Costs

	Level 1	Level 2	DC Fast C	Charging
<b>Equipment Price</b>	\$30 - 900	\$600 - 9,000	\$15,000 -	150,000+
Installation	\$200 - 450+	\$2,000 - 12,000+	\$10,000 -	100,000+
Total Capital Cost	\$230 - 1,350+	\$2,600 - 21,000+	\$25,000 -	250,000+



# Charging Equipment – Operating Costs

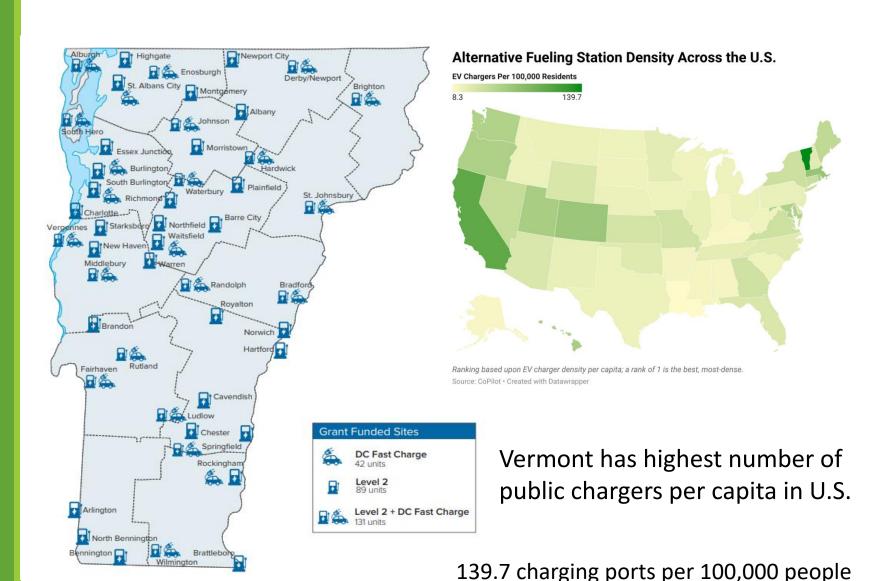
	Level 1	Level 2	DC Fast Charging
Energy	\$200 – 800+	\$200 – 2,500	\$500 - 15,000+
Networking (optional)	\$150 – 300	\$200 – 400	\$200 - 500+
Maintenance	\$200 – 400+	\$400 – 800	\$400 – 10,000+
Total Annual Cost	\$550 - 1,500+	\$800 – 3,700+	\$1,100 - 25,500+



# Funding Timeline

- 2014: VT launches Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Program with \$200k
- 2017: VW Settlement, \$2.8 million
- 2019: ~ \$1 million for 75 Level 2 + 5 DC Fast Chargers
- 2020: \$1.7 million to Blink for 11 locations
- 2021: \$750k in capital funds to Norwich Technologies for 6 locations
- 2022: \$1 million to residential charging for multiunit housing
- 2023: \$10 million in state funds for community charging
- \$21.2 million in NEVI formula funds through 2026 + \$2 million in ARPA funds
- Charging Fueling Infrastructure
  Grants/Competitive Gap-filling Grants

# Public EVSE Investments in Vermont



# Alternative Fuel Corridors and NEVI

#### **FHWA Designation**

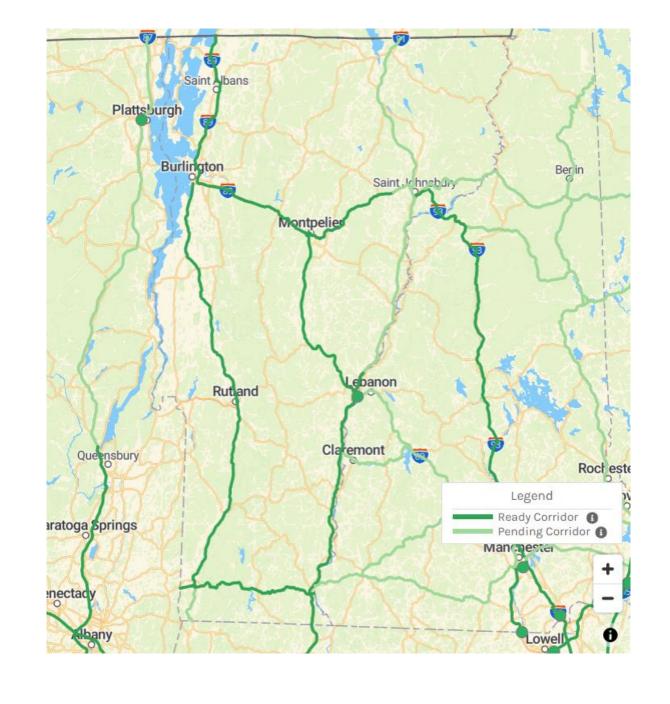
- Stations within 50 miles of the next on the highway system and within 1 mile of an exit, with few exceptions
- Site power capability should be no less than 600 kW (supporting at least 150 kW per port simultaneously across 4 ports).

#### VT Corridor-Ready:

Interstates 89, 91; State Routes9, 2, 7

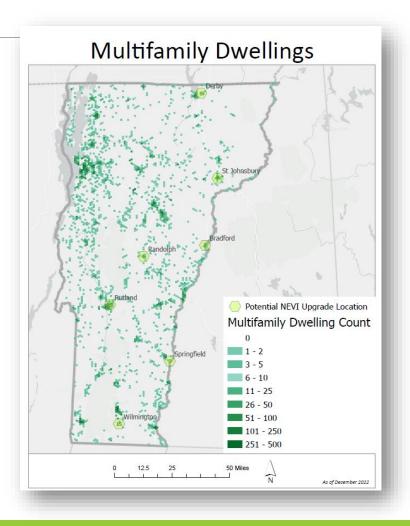
#### VT Corridor-Pending:

- US-2: Between Danville and VT/NH border
- US-7: Between Bennington and VT/MA border



# General Location Prioritization Factors

- Highway traffic volumes
- Travel services and other employment
- Walkability
- Environmental justice factors related to income and race
- Multifamily housing units
- 3-Phase power availability
- Proximity to federally designated EV corridor
- Distance to qualifying EV charging location with four 150kW DCFC ports
- Gaps in charging availability





# **NEVI**

### 15 Priority Locations:

- 5 Standard Fast Charging Locations
- 9 High Availability Fast
   Charging Hub Locations
- 1 Active Location Opened April 23, 2024

6 contracts for 11 of 14 Remaining Locations

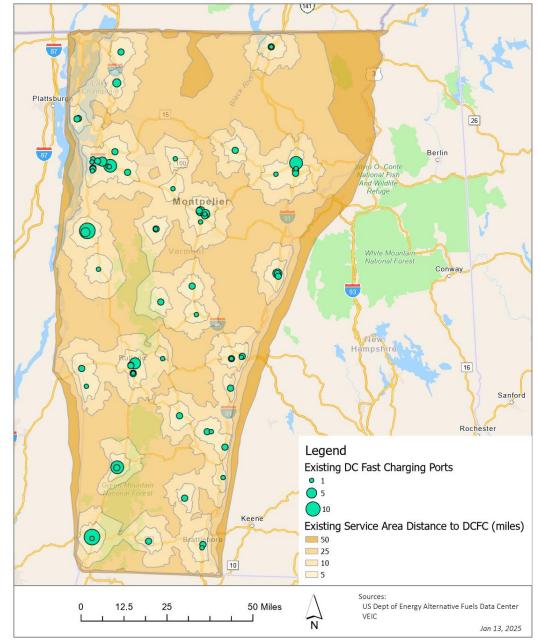
Planning for next solicitation



# Existing Public Fast Charging

### Vermont DC Fast Charging Availability

Distance to existing public locations as of January 2025

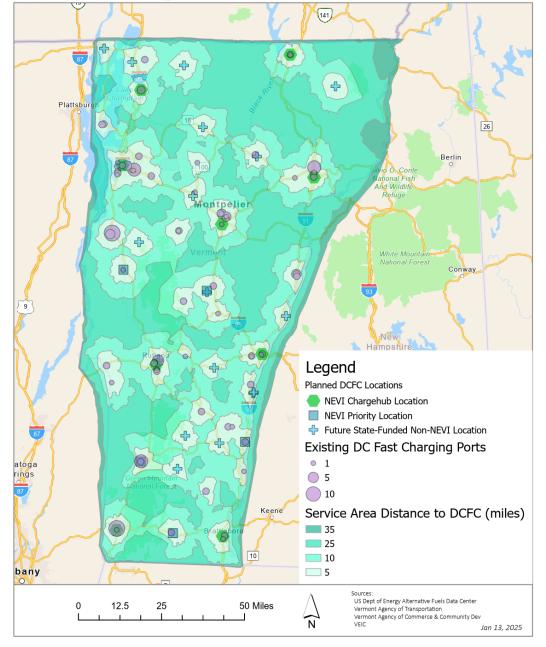


# Planned, Contracted, and Existing Public Fast Charging

Includes planned and awarded projects under ACCD's Charge Vermont and AOT's NEVI programs

# Vermont DC Fast Charging Availability

Existing Public, Contracted, and Planned



# Assessing Remaining DCFC Needed

## To meet State targets:

- 126,000 EVs by 2030
- Within 3 miles from interstate exits
- Within 25 miles
   of next DCFC location

#### Scenario 1 – assumes 71% of drivers have access to home charging, 42% PHEVs.

Charging Level	Ports Needed	Ports Existing + Planned Public Investments	Gap
Level 2	3,105	912	2,193
DCFC	565	364	201
Total Ports	3,670	1,276	2,394

#### Scenario 2 - assumes 87% of drivers have access to home charging, 42% PHEVs.

Charging Level	Ports Needed	Ports Existing + Planned Public Investments	Gap
Level 2	2,126	912	1,214
DCFC	413	364	49
Total Ports	2,539	1,276	1,263

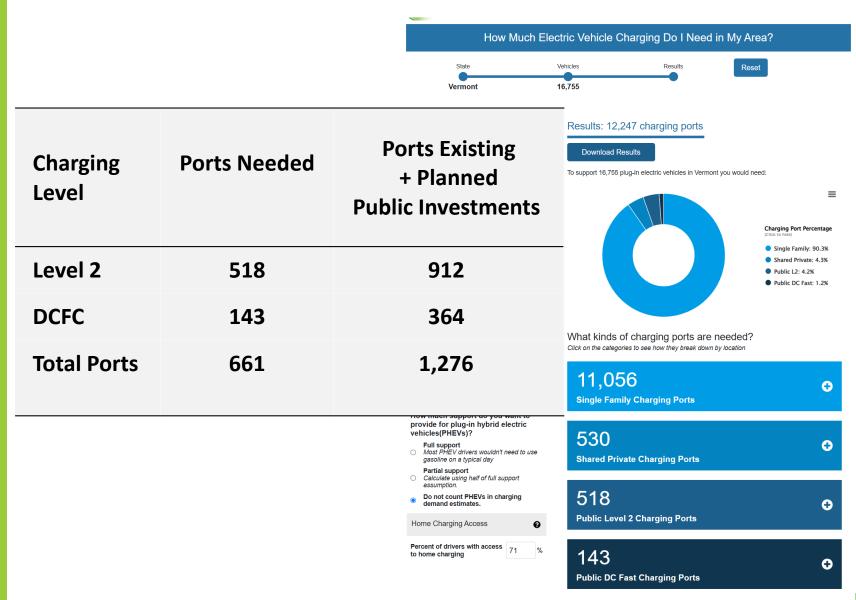
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# Assessing Current EVSE Needs

#### **EV** registrations

- 16,655 PEVs total
- 9,918 BEV
- 6,837 PHEV

Current Scenario – assuming 71% of drivers have access to home charging, 41% PHFVs.



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# Assessing Remaining DCFC Needed

# To meet State goals:

- 126,000 EVs by 2030
- 3 miles from interstate
- With 25 miles from next DCFC

#### **DCFC Funding - Available and Needed**

Funding Source	Amount Available	Target # of Ports
NEVI	\$8.5 million plus 20% match from private sector	Up to roughly 62 DCFC ports: (12 required for NEVI build out, remaining toward filling gaps along corridors)
CRP	\$2 million plus 20% match from private sector	Up to roughly 14 DCFC ports to fill in the public DCFC network as quickly and efficiently as possible where gaps have been created by inoperable stations, remaining toward filling gaps along corridors
CFI – corridor and community charging	TBD – dependent on the outcome of future opportunities	TBD – dependent on the outcome of future opportunities
Total Federal Funding / Ports Available	\$10.5 million for DCFC plus 20% match from private sector	76 DCFC ports
Funding / Ports Gap	\$21.5 million	125 DCFC ports

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