



## **Yellowstone National Park**

### **Federal Fleet Tiger Team EVSE Site Assessment**

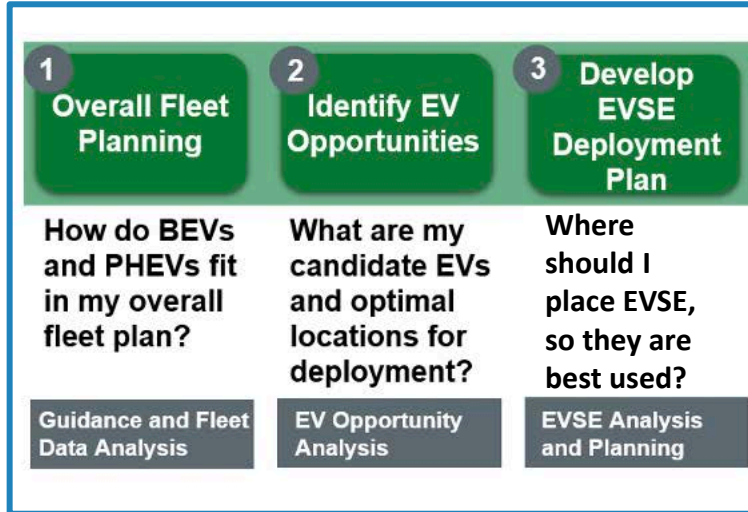
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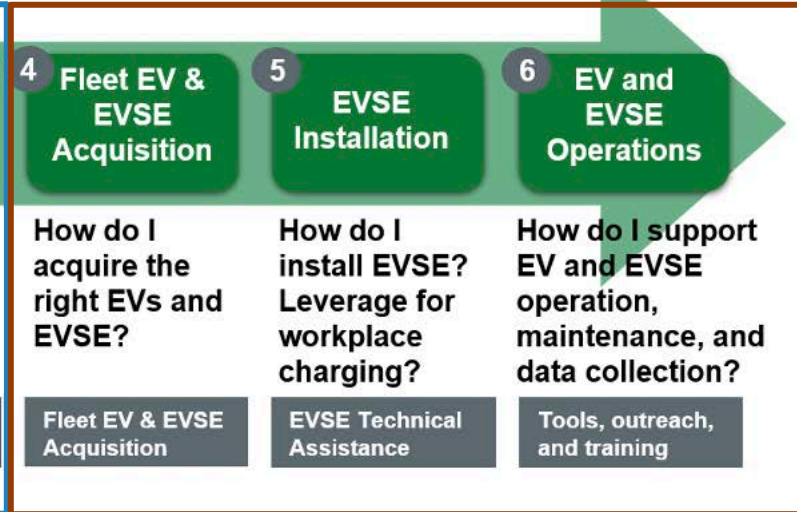
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# Process for Fleet Electrification

## Tiger Team-Assisted



## Agency's Next Step



BEV = battery electric vehicle

EV = electric vehicle

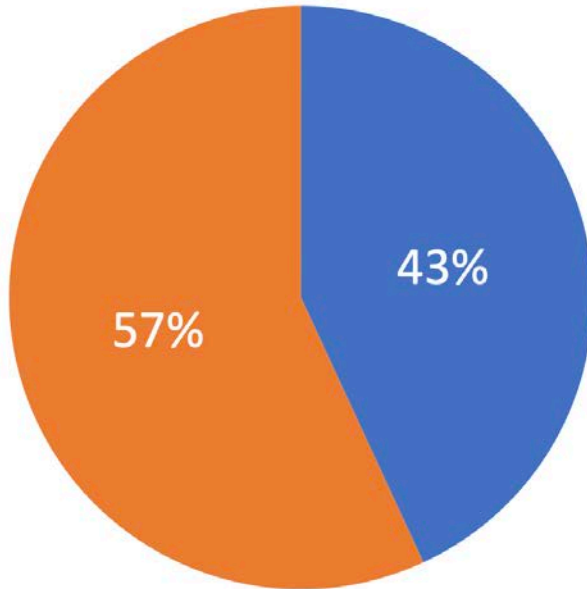
EVSE = electric vehicle supply equipment

PHEV = plug-in hybrid electric vehicle

# Yellowstone National Park Vehicle Fleet Composition

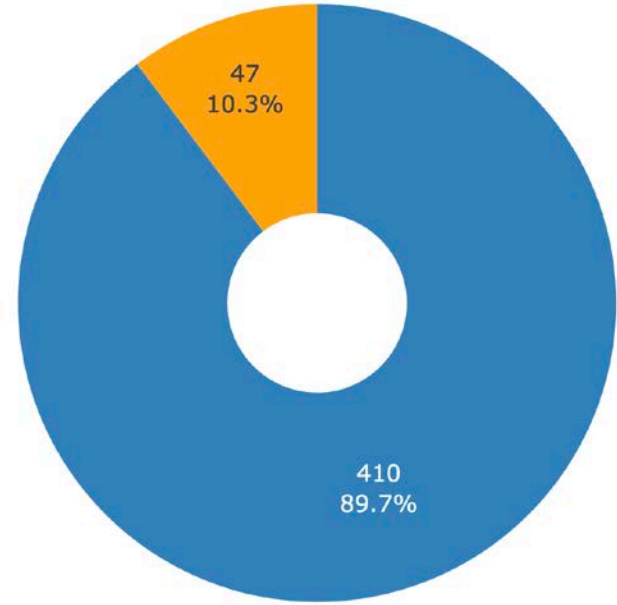
## VEHICLE FLEET COMPOSITION

- LDV
- MDV/HDV



LDV = light-duty vehicle  
MD = medium-duty vehicle  
HDV = heavy-duty vehicle

## Vehicle Ownership

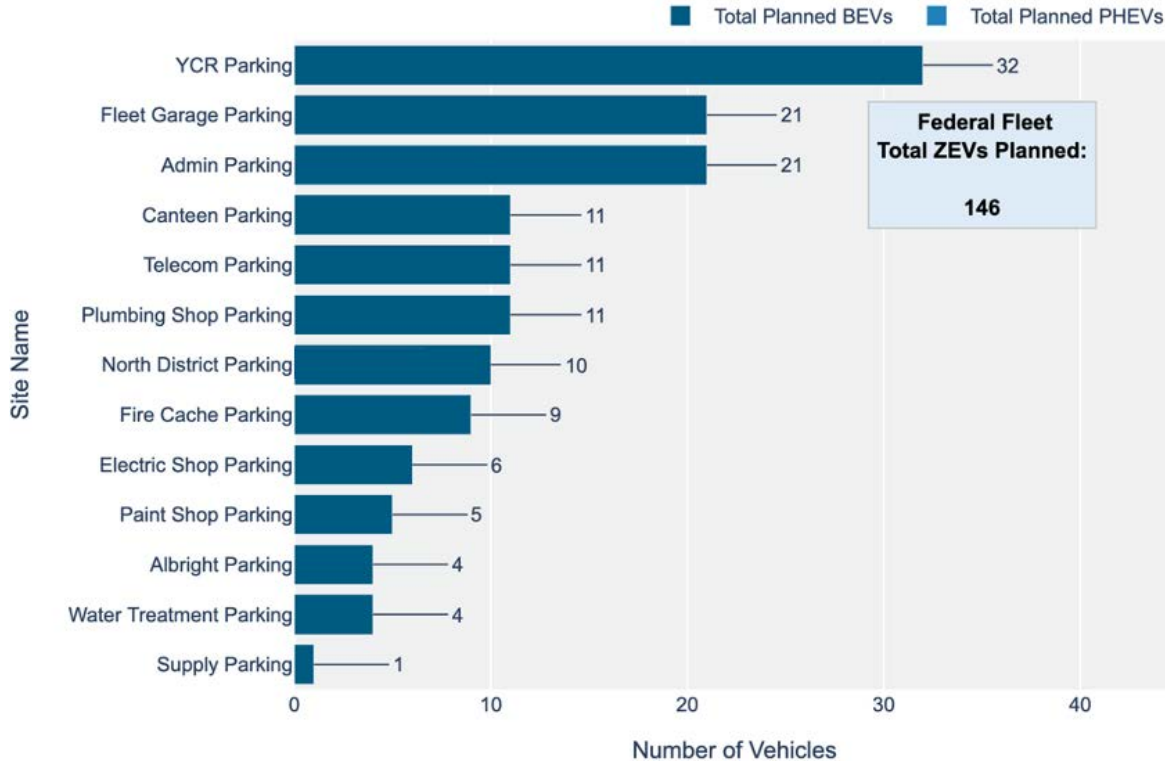


- AO
- GL-W

AO = agency-owned  
GL-W = GSA wet lease

# ZPAC Results: Planned ZEV Acquisitions

## ZEVs Acquisition Planned by Agency



Source: [ZEV Planning and Charging \(ZPAC\) tool](#)

ZEV = zero-emission vehicle

# Not All Potential EV Candidates Have a ZEV Counterpart Available Today

Vehicle Ownership	Existing				Potential ZEV Replacement			
	Vehicle Class	Vehicle SIN	Vehicle Type	Count	BEV SIN	PHEV SIN	Make/Model	Range (Electric miles)
GSA-LEASE	LD	46	LD Pickup 4x4	4	55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
		55	LD Pickup 4x4	3	55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
		66	LD Pickup 4x4	3	55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
		96	LD SUV 4x4	1	96E		Ford Mustang Mach-E / Tesla Model Y	270 miles / 326 miles
		99	LD SUV 4x4	1	96E		Ford Mustang Mach-E / Tesla Model Y	270 miles / 326 miles
		105	LD SUV 4x4	2	96E	96P	Ford Mustang Mach-E / Tesla Model Y	270 miles / 326 miles
		106	LD SUV 4x4	1	96E	96P	Ford Mustang Mach-E / Tesla Model Y	270 miles / 326 miles
	UK	LD Minivan 4x2 (Passenger)	1			20P	Pacifica	32 miles
	MD/HD	49	MD Pickup	1	NA			
		57	MD Pickup	1	NA			
		82	MD Pickup	1	NA			
		87	MD Pickup	4	NA			
		128	MD Pickup	1	NA			
129	MD Other	1	NA					
AO	LD	UK	LD Pickup 4x2	4	55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
		UK	LD Pickup 4x4	9	55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
		UK	LD SUV 4x2	7	91E		Ford Mustang Mach-E	300 miles
		UK	LD SUV 4x4	31	96E		Ford Mustang Mach-E / Tesla Model Y	270 miles / 326 miles
		UK	Sedan/St Wgn Compact	1	8E, 9E		Nissan Leaf / Chevrolet Bolt / Tesla Model 3	226 miles/247 miles/ 262 miles
		UK	Sedan/St Wgn Midsize	1	8E, 9E		Nissan Leaf / Chevrolet Bolt / Tesla Model 3	226 miles/247 miles/ 262 miles
	UK	Sedan/St Wgn Subcompact	5	8E, 9E		Nissan Leaf / Chevrolet Bolt / Tesla Model 3	226 miles/247 miles/ 262 miles	
	MD/HD	UK	MD Other	14	NA			
		UK	MD Pickup	44	NA			
		UK	MD SUV	2	NA			
UK		MD Van (Cargo)	3	NA				

SIN = standard item number

# Buildings and Parking Areas Visited

Stop	Buildings
A	Jail/Outdoor Patio
B	YCR and Canteen
C	Admin. Building
D	Post Office
E	YCC/Fleet Maintenance Shop

YCC = Youth Conservation Corps  
YCR = Yellowstone Center for Resources



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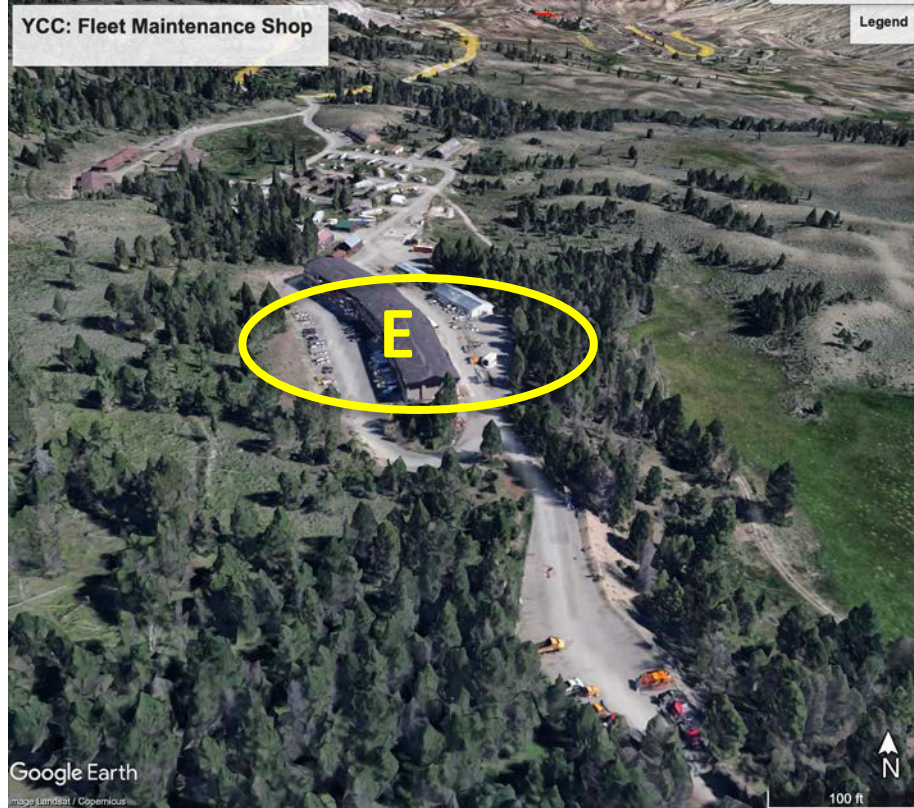


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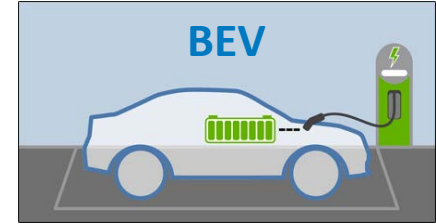
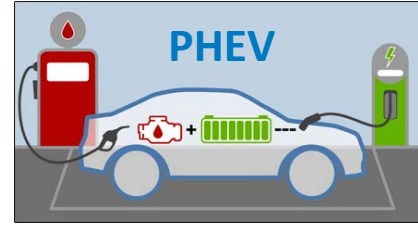
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# ZEV and EVSE Overview

- **Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEVs)**

- ZEVs include both plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVs) and battery electric vehicles (BEVs).
- Acquisition requirements are set to 100% annually for LDVs by 2027 and MDVs/HDVs by 2035 per E.O. 14057.
- Acquisition decisions are informed by fleet usage data and the ZEV Planning and Charging (ZPAC) tool.



- **Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE)**

- EVSE provides the charging power needed to deliver the energy an EV needs.
- Level 1 AC chargers (typically portable) deliver approximately 5 miles of range per hour of charge.
- Level 2 AC chargers (typically dual-port pedestal) deliver approximately 25 miles per hour of charge.



# EVSE Installation Requirements

## Site Equipment

- Circuit Breaker
  - NEC (National Electrical Code) 625.41: Overcurrent to be rated for 125% of maximum EVSE load.
- Panel Capacity
  - Spare breaker positions must be available.
- Main Breaker
  - It must be sized to supply *peak coincident demand* from all branch circuits.
- Transformer Capacity
  - The distribution transformer must be large enough to supply peak demand.

## EVSE Requirements

- J1772 AC Level 1
  - Uses a single 20 A Breaker
    - 1.9 kW (120 V x 16 A)
- J1772 AC Level 2
  - Uses a double pole 40 A breaker
    - 7.7 kW (240 V x 32 A)
    - 6.7 kW (208 V x 32 A)



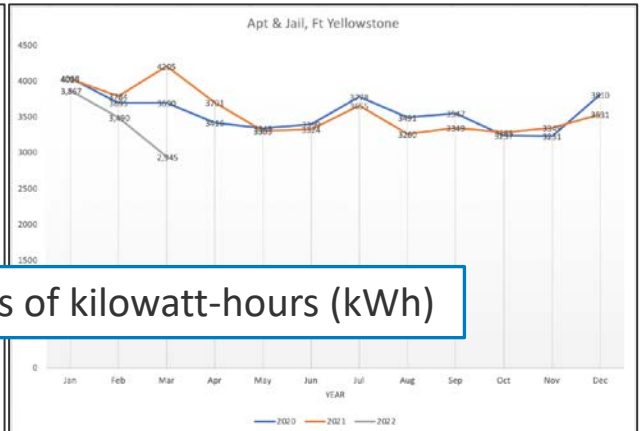
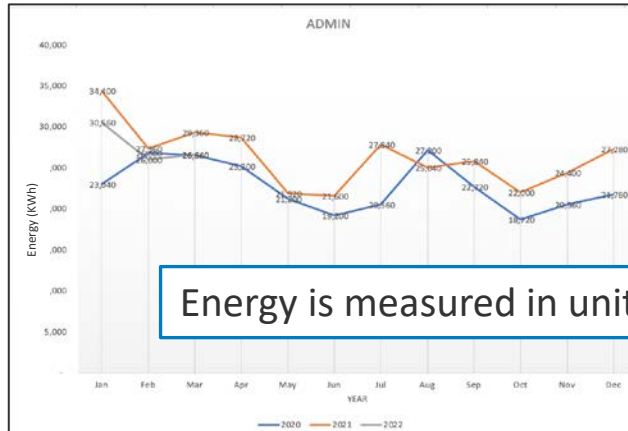
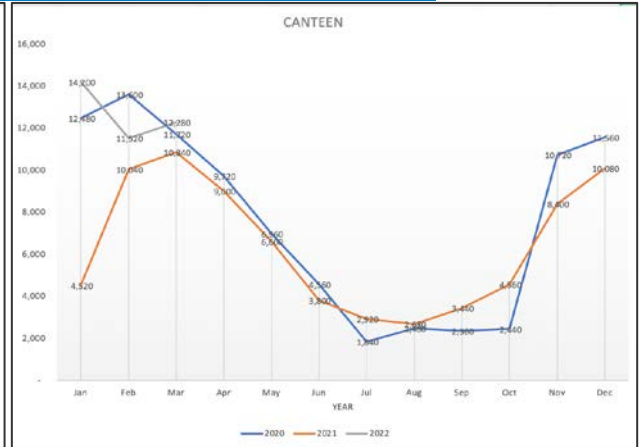
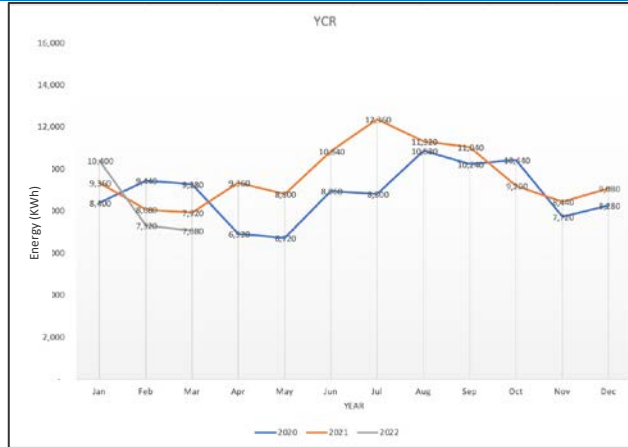
# Energy versus Power

Peak demand for a given building consists of two factors:

1. Quantity
2. Timing.

Utility companies typically measure power as the average demand over 15 minutes.

Power is measured in kilowatts (kW).



Energy is measured in units of kilowatt-hours (kWh)

# Charging Station Considerations

1. Portability
2. Wi-Fi enabled
3. Maintenance and warranty
4. Hardwired or plugged in
5. Indoor versus outdoor
6. Outlet location and cord length
7. Dual charging and power sharing
8. Future-proofing



Available space in the electrical panel can indicate—but does not necessarily guarantee—whether capacity with the current electrical service is sufficient to add charging stations without an upgrade from the utility.



## Three Fundamental EVSE Electrical Needs

1. Sufficient *electrical capacity from the utility connection to the electrical panel*
2. Sufficient *electrical capacity at the panel*
3. *Dedicated circuit for each EVSE unit on the electrical panel*

# EVSE Electrical Considerations

## Hardwired Installations

EVSE	Typical Charging Power	Typical Service Type	Typical Installation Requirements
AC Level 2	6.7 kW (32 A @ 208 V)	208Y/120 V 3 $\Phi$	Hardwired EVSE, 40 A double-pole circuit breaker
	7.7 kW (32 A @ 240 V)	120/240 V 1 $\Phi$	

### Power of Station and Acceptance Rate

If the EVSE offers less power than the vehicle's maximum acceptance rate, the EVSE is the limiting factor in charge time.

If the vehicle's acceptance rate is lower than the EVSE's maximum output rate, the vehicle is the limiting factor.

# EVSE Power Specifications

## ClipperCreek HCS-D40

- **Type:** Dual-port, Level 2, pedestal-style EVSE unit
- **Power:** 32 A, single-phase, 208 V (6.7 kW) or 240 V (7.7 kW)
- **Connection:** Hardwired, 40 A, double-pole circuit breaker
- **Options:** Ruggedized, ENERGY STAR, power sharing
  - NEMA (National Electrical Manufacturer Association) 4 enclosure with impact and crush-resistant charge couplers
  - Energy savings in standby mode and fully certified for safe operation
  - With one vehicle present, 32 amperes are available for charging. When two vehicles are present, 16 amperes are available to each vehicle for charging.



# Assumptions for Cost Estimates

- EVSE costs are sourced from the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).
- The electrical components are designed as per the National Electrical Code (NEC).
- The costs are estimated using the RSMeans costs.
- Project costs are assumed as fixed percentages as per the RSMeans.

<b>Component</b>	<b>Assumed Fixed Percentage</b>
Contingency Costs	20%
Taxes (Sales, State, Average)	7%
Overhead	15%
Profit	10%
Bond	2.50%
Permits	2.00%



# Existing Yellowstone EVSE: Two Ports at Admin. Building



Building	Stop	Type	Rating (A)	Port Count
Jail/Outdoor Patio	A	n/a	n/a	n/a
YCR and Canteen	B	Clipper Creek	32	2
Admin. Building	C	n/a	n/a	n/a
Post Office	D	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fleet Maintenance Shop	E	n/a	n/a	n/a

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# Jail and Outdoor Patio: Stop A



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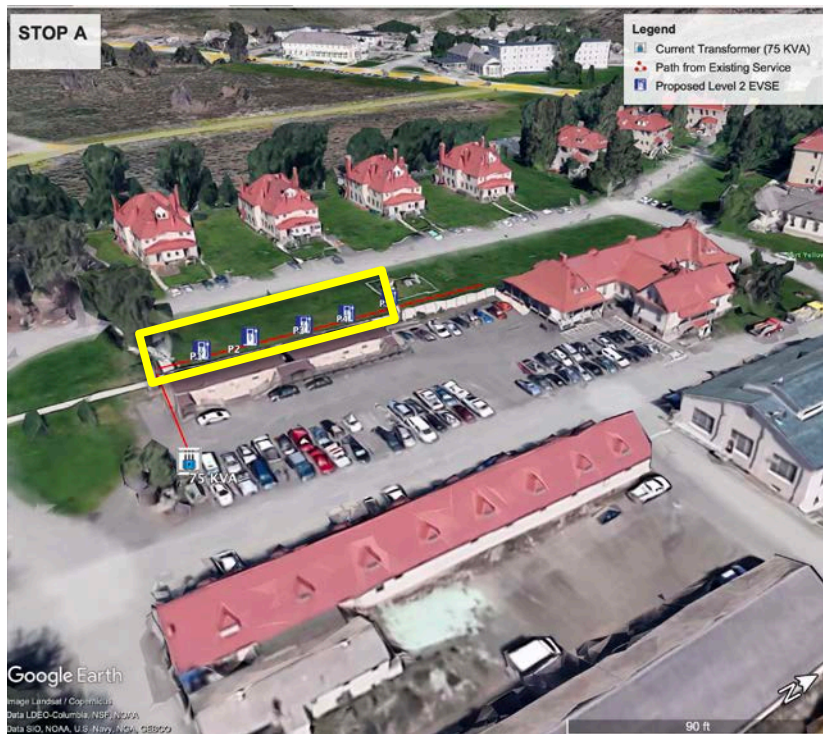
## Current

Transformer Size	Building	Service Panel Amperage	Total Max Connected Amperage	EVSE Units
75 kVA 208Y 120 V	None	200 A	160 A	0
	None	200 A	160 A	0
	Jail	200 A	Unknown	0
	Outdoor Patio	200 A	Unknown	0

## Proposed \*Using Existing Transformer

Transformer Spec	Building	Additional Service Panel	EVSE Units
75 kVA 208Y 120 V	Dedicated for EVSE	200 A	5
	Dedicated for EVSE	200 A	

# Stop A Layout



Dual-port Level 2 units = 10 ports



Transformer Upgrade	New Service Panel Amperage	Number of Parking Spots	EVSE Units
No	Yes (2X200 A)	21	5

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# Stop A Considerations


## PROS



-  Many parking spots are available.
-  400 A service is available.



## CONS



-  Installing more than five EVSE to support future privately owned vehicle (POV) charging needs would require a transformer upgrade.

## RECOMMENDATIONS



-  Install five dual-port pedestal units.
-  Add new service panel.

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# Stop B: YCR and Canteen



## Current

Transformer Size	Building	Service Panel	Note
75 kVA 208Y/120 V	YCR	400A	Three-phase
	Canteen	400 A	Single-phase (10 spare breaker)

## Proposed

\*Using Existing Transformer

Transformer Spec	Building	Additional Service Panel	EVSE UNITS
75 kVA 208Y 120 V	YCR, Dedicated for EVSE	Yes, 200 A	2
	Canteen	No	3

# Stop B: YCR and Canteen Layout



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5 Dual-port Level 2 units = 10 ports

Transformer Upgrade	New Service Panel Amperage	Number of Parking Spots	EVSE Units
No	Yes (at YCR building)	4	2
	No (at Canteen)	7	3

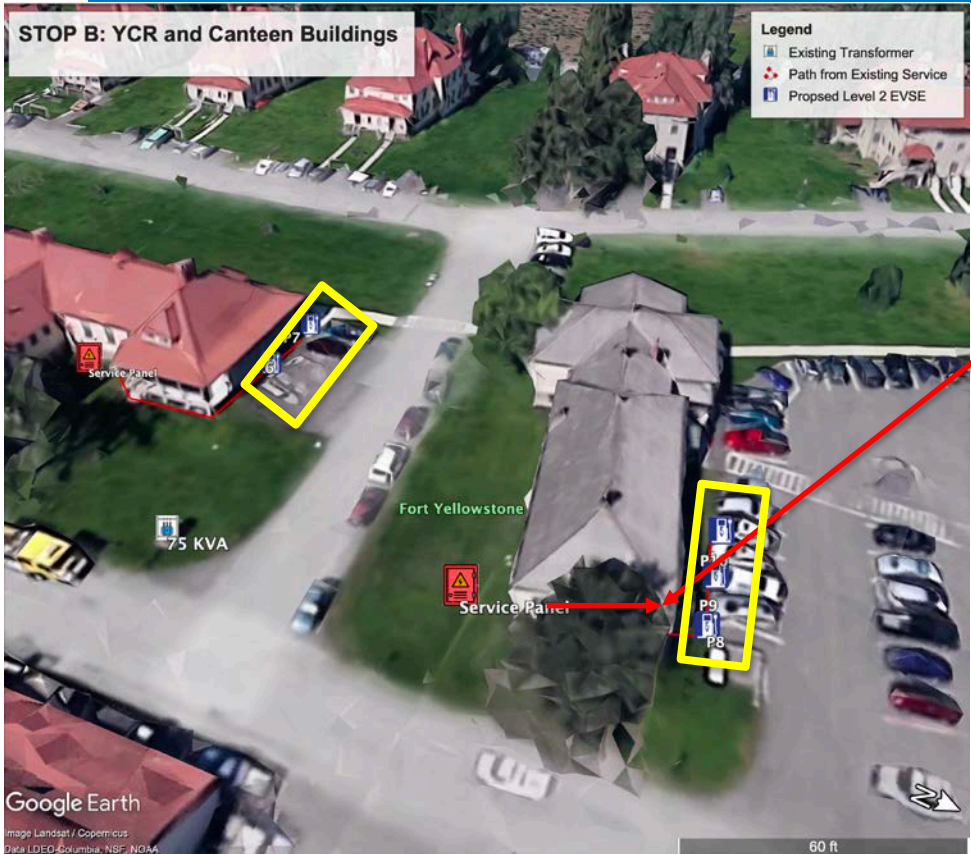


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# Stop B Considerations

## PROS



At YCR: No trenching through concrete needed. Conduit could be run along the porch.



At Canteen: Spare breakers are available to accommodate three proposed EVSE.

## CONS



At YCR: Single-phase subpanel dedicated for EVSE is needed.



Building peak demand at YCR and Canteen buildings is unknown.

## RECOMMENDATIONS



Install five dual-port pedestal units.



Add new service panel at YCR.



Perform load study at each building.

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# Stop C: Admin. Building

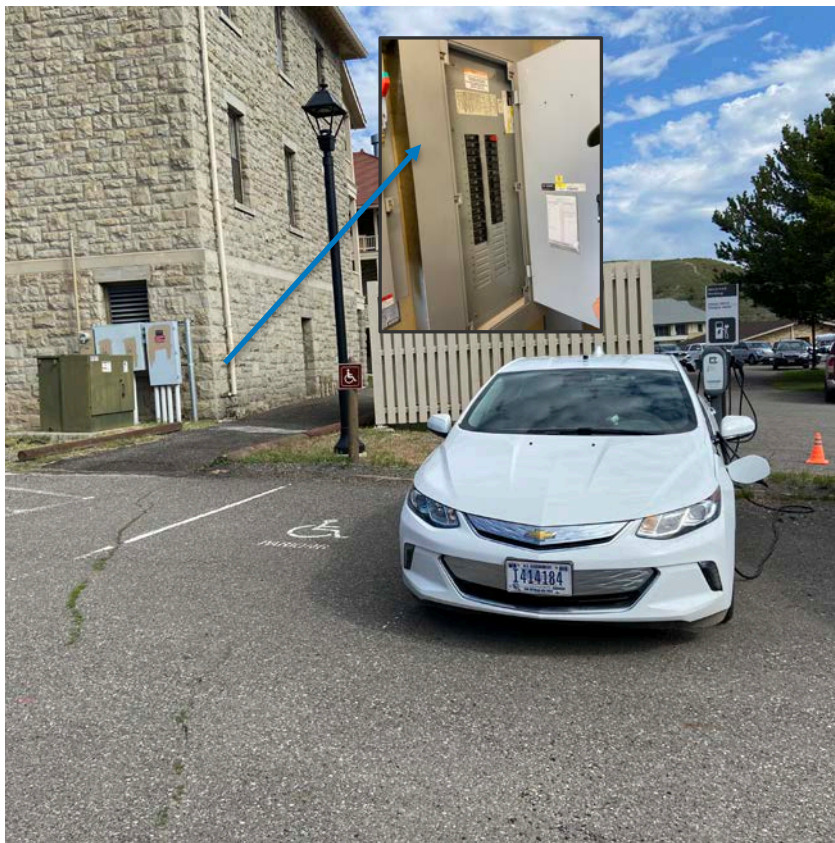


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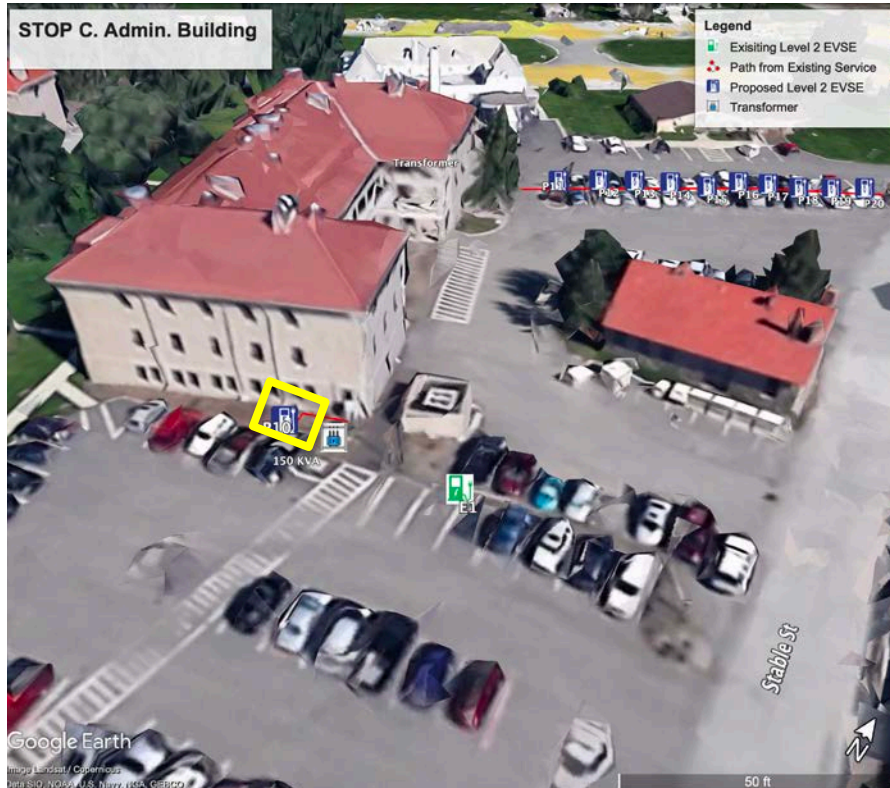
## Current

Transformer Spec	Building	Service Panel Amperage	EVSE Units
150 kVA 208Y/120 V	Admin	225 A	2

## Proposed

Transformer Spec	Building	Additional Service Panel Amperage	EVSE Units
150 kVA 208Y 120 V	Admin	No	1

# Stop C: Admin. Building Layout



1 Dual-port Level 2 units = 2 ports

Transformer Upgrade	New Service Panel Amperage	Number of Parking Spots	EVSE Units
No	No	5	1

# Stop C Considerations

## PROS



Dedicated 225 A service panel for EVSE.



Short distance from service panel.

## CONS



Building loads could not be evaluated.

## RECOMMENDATIONS



Install one dual-port pedestal unit on existing 225 A service panel.

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# Stop D: Post Office



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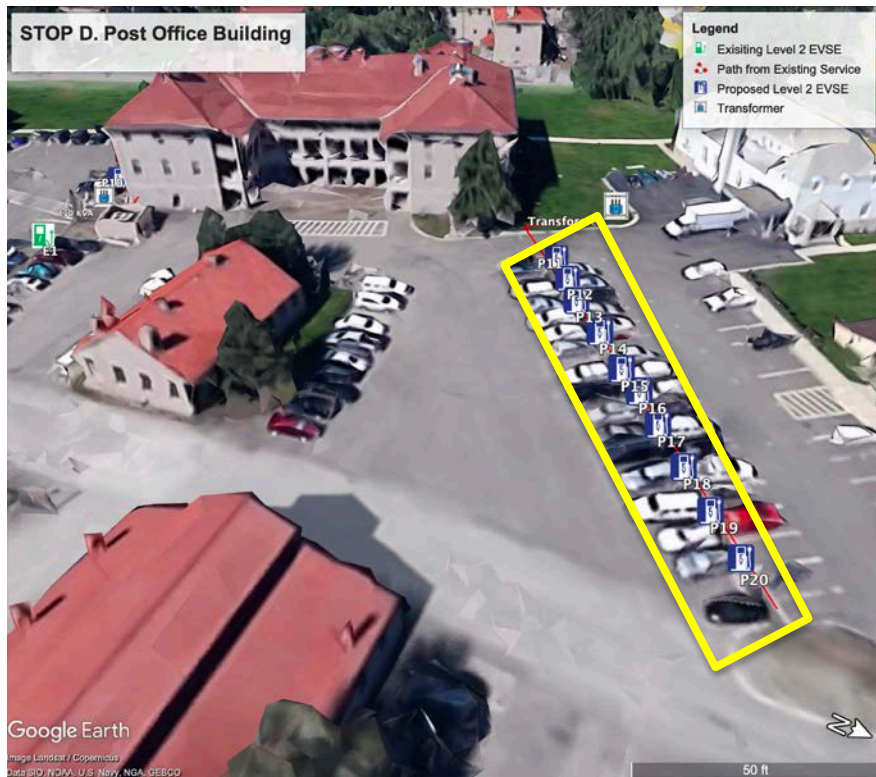
## Current

Transformer Spec	Building	Service Panel Amperage	EVSE Units
25 kVA	Post Office	Unknown	0

## Proposed

Transformer Spec	Building	Service Panel Amperage	EVSE Units
225 kVA	Post Office	800 A	10

# Stop D: Post Office Layout



10 Dual-port Level 2 units = 20 ports

Transformer Upgrade	New Service Panel Amperage	Number of Parking Spots	EVSE Units
Yes	Yes	20+	10



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# Stop D Considerations



## PROS



-  Plenty of parking spaces available for EVSE.
-  Most trenching is through softscape.



## CONS



-  Transformer upgrade from 25 kVA to 225 kVA.
-  New service panel needed.

## RECOMMENDATIONS



-  Install 10 dual-port pedestal units.
-  Talk to utility about the distribution transformers.

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# YCC/Fleet Maintenance Shop: Stop E

This is the maintenance location for all fleet vehicles and the storage location for most MDVs and HDVs. It is a large multi-bay garage with three-phase power.

## Recommendations

- **Near Term:** Install L2 EVSE for LDVs.
  - Provide access to charging power for vehicles undergoing maintenance or repairs.
  - Power EVSE from subpanel and step-down transformer from spare circuit on MDP (shown on the right in red).
  - 40–80 A (9.6 kW–19.2 kW), which is ideal for MDVs.
- **Long Term:** Install direct current fast charging (DCFC) for MDVs and HDVs.
  - Install DCFC to support regular charging needs of large MDVs and HDVs.
  - Power EVSE from spare three-phase breaker positions in MDP (shown on the right in blue).



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# Tiger Team Recommendations for EVSE Deployment

Stop	Building	Existing EVSE Ports	Planned New EVSE Ports	Recommendations	Estimated Total Installation Cost*
A	Jail and Outdoor Patio	0	10	400 A, single-phase service panel needed (20 circuit breaker)	\$120K
B	YCR and Canteen	0	10	Single-phase service panel needed at YCR building	\$131K
D	Post Office	0	20	Transformer upgrade from 25 kVA to 225 kVA	\$256K
<b>Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>		<b>\$507K</b>

\*Cost includes EVSE units, materials, and labor. Labor wage estimates are from RSMeans.com. The RSMeans includes the labor wages as national average.

# EVSE Deployment Recommendations

1. Daily vehicle utilization data from telematics would enable a better understanding of the number of EVSE ports required at the location.
2. Prioritize EVSE siting based on proximity to power source, service panel electrical and physical (spare breakers) availability.
3. Perform a building load study to assess existing loads and expected EVSE loads.

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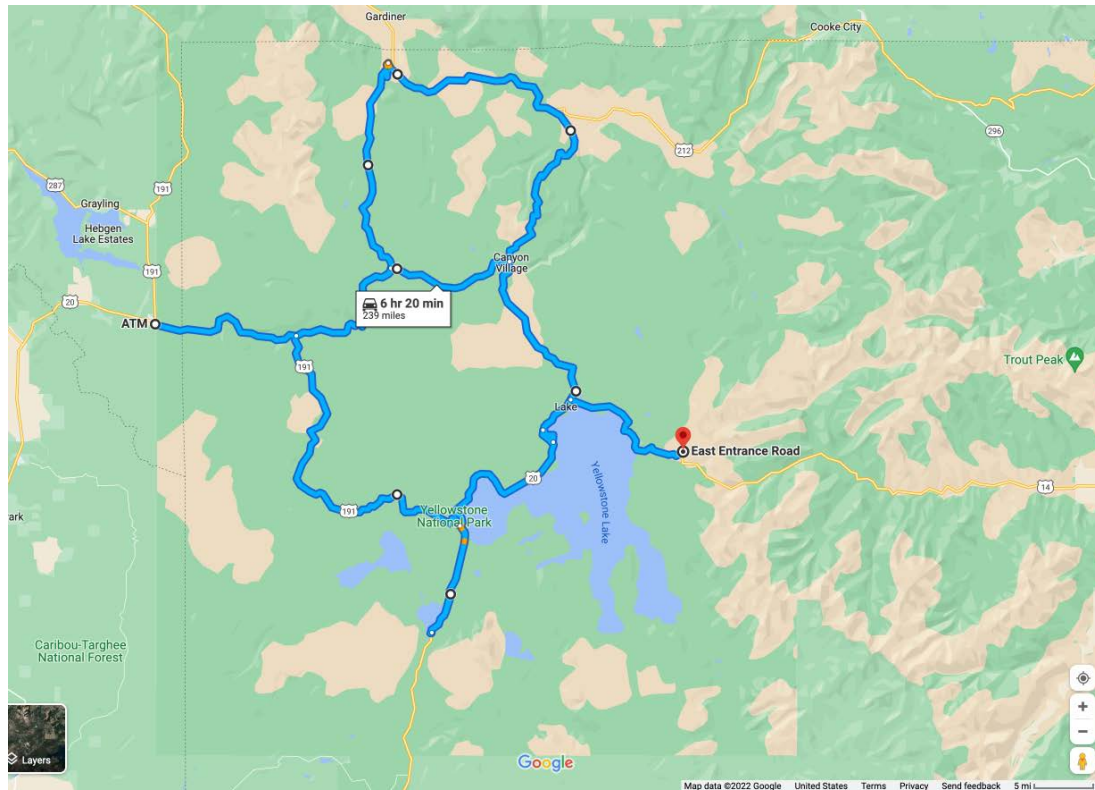
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## Appendix: Guidelines for EV Operations and Fleet Resources

# Can EVs do the job at Yellowstone National Park?



The short answer is yes.

Potential ZEV Replacement			
BEV SIN	PHEV SIN	Make/Model	Range (Electric miles)
55E		Ford F150 Lightning	350 miles
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## Battery: Idling Misconceptions



- Electric cars do not idle.
- An EV only uses electricity to drive when it is moving.

## Battery: Idling Facts



- Electricity is used to power basic electronics in the EV when it is sitting “idle.”
- When an electric vehicle is *not* in motion, it consumes about 1-2 kW of power for climate control.

$$\text{Range Reduction} \approx \frac{3 \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ hr of idling}} \times 6 \text{ hrs} \approx 18 \text{ miles}$$

An EV with a 40-kWh battery and Fuel Economy of  $\frac{30 \text{ kWh}}{100 \text{ miles}}$

$$\text{Energy Usage} \sim 18 \text{ miles} \times \frac{30 \text{ kWh}}{100 \text{ miles}} = 5.4 \text{ kWh}$$

$$\frac{32 \text{ kWh}}{5.4 \text{ kWh}} \rightarrow \frac{80 \%}{?}$$

$$? = 13.5\%$$

Range Reduction

$$\sim \frac{3 \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ hr of idling}}$$

# EV Charging Infrastructure Specifications and Performance

Type	Input Power	Maximum Output Power (kW)	Driving Miles per 1-Hour Charge	Maximum Driving Miles per 6-Hour Charge	Maximum Driving Miles per 9-Hour Charge
AC Level1 Outlet	120V AC, 15-20 A	1.4	5	30	45
AC Level 2 EVSE	120V AC, 15-20 A	1.9	7	42	63
AC Level 2 EVSE (low power)	240V AC, 20 A	3.3	10-12	60-72	90-108
AC Level 2 EVSE	240V AC or 208V AC 40 A	6.6	20-25	120-150	180-225

# Measuring and Reporting Electricity Use in Electric Vehicles

Federal fleet reporting *does not require measuring electricity at the EVSE*. Instead, EV energy consumption must be reported to the Federal Automotive Statistical Tool (FAST).

## Four Different Methods

1. Meter at on-site EV charging station.
2. Use telematics to capture energy consumption in kWh from EVs.
3. Estimate using FEMP measurement and verification standards.
4. Collect transaction receipts at off-site EV charging station.

# Charging Best Practices

1. Charge the battery to only 80% and discharge it to 20%.
2. Aim to use 60% of the capacity.
3. Battery temperature governs how fast a battery can be charged, for example:
  - At 40°C (104°F), a battery charges in 1.0 hour compared to 1.5 hours at 5°C (41 °F), but the packs degrades more quickly than at a moderate 25°C (77 °F).
4. Industry standards have rated Level 2 charger operation as optimal between -20°C/-4°F and 50°C/122°F and fast chargers as optimal between -5°C/-31°F and 50°C/122°F.
5. Fast charging is most effective at a state of charge of 20%–50%.

## Charging Timer Settings



Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WeR0SXzQdto>

# POV Considerations: Network versus Non-Network EVSE



- Network costs range from \$250 to \$1,250 per year per port.
- Maintenance service plans range from \$200 to over \$1,000 per year (port/station coverage varies).
- Cellular connection plans are not available through GSA; they may be negotiated with mobile phone and internet carriers.
- Telematics subscriptions are available through GSA for *\$156 per year per vehicle*.
- GSA telematics plan details can be found at GSA:
  - “Telematics: GSA Fleet's Telematics Program - Driving Innovation in Federal Fleet Management,” GSA, <https://www.gsa.gov/buying-selling/products-services/transportation-logistics-services/fleet-management/vehicle-leasing/telematics>.

# POV Considerations: Network versus Non-Network EVSE

Feature	Network	Non-Network
Purchase and installation costs	\$\$\$	\$
Maintenance and downtimes	\$\$\$	\$
Ability to set pricing of EV charging	Yes	No
EVSE usage data	Yes	No



# POV Considerations: Reimbursement Is Mandatory

## Alternative to New Unit Installation

Employees will need to reimburse the facility for the cost of electricity but not the cost of the unit or installation.

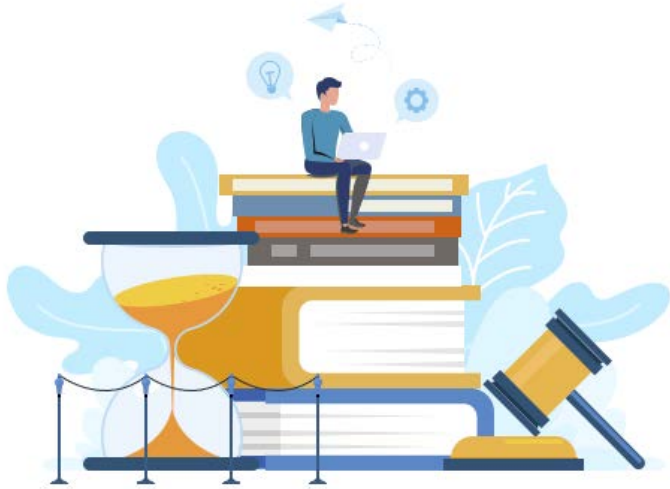
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## New Unit Installation

Fees must be collected for POV charging at government-owned EVSE, which may include electricity costs, unit and installation costs, network fees, and transaction fees.

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# POV Considerations: How To Collect Fees?



1. Agencies may work with pay.gov's implementation team at [pay.gov@fiscal.treasury.gov](mailto:pay.gov@fiscal.treasury.gov) to establish a web-based collection system using either a general form or unique bill issued for each employee.
2. Agencies can customize a payment system through this e-billing service managed by the U.S. Department of the Treasury that will send a monthly bill to employees.
3. Agencies may alternatively withdraw the fee from employee's payroll as a post-tax deduction and then deposit the money into a Treasury account.

Source: <https://www.pay.gov/public/home>



# POV Recommendation

If using EVSE installed for government owned vehicles (GOV), consider networked EVSE to access management (payment processing is needed).

Appendix C: POV Fee Calculations in *Federal Workplace Charging Program Guide*

<https://www.energy.gov/eere/femp/articles/federal-workplace-charging-program-guide>

How to collect fees:

<https://www.pay.gov/public/home>

# Battery Life and Operational Range

- Cold winter months
- Long idling times
- Wildlife-related traffic jams



*A group of bison walk along the road towards Lamar Valley with cars following behind them*

# EV Battery

- Most EVs use lithium-ion batteries.
- Most EV batteries have an 8-year warranty or a 160,000 km (100,000 mile) drive limit.
- The performance of a battery is measured in capacity.
- EVs are equipped with battery management systems to keep batteries at safe temperatures.
- Lithium-ion suffers from stress when exposed to extreme heat or cold.



# EV Battery and Temperature Relationship

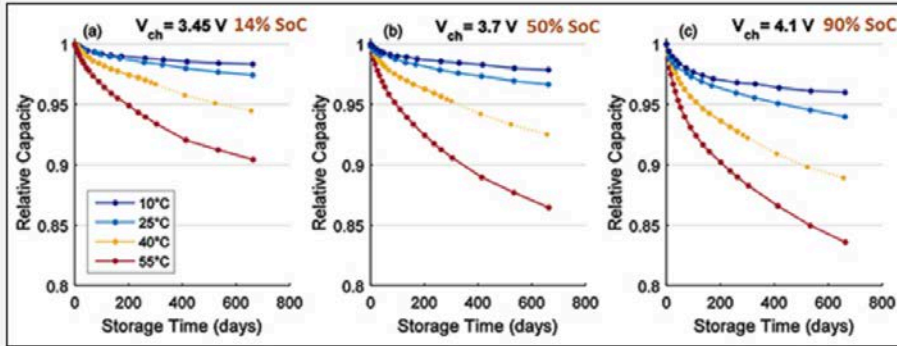


Figure 3: Capacity fade by calendar aging with different charge end voltages and temperatures [1]

## Estimated Recoverable Capacity When Storing Li-ion for 1 Year at Various Temperatures

TEMPERATURE	40% CHARGE	100% CHARGE
0°C	98% (after 1 year)	94% (after 1 year)
25°C	96% (after 1 year)	80% (after 1 year)
40°C	85% (after 1 year)	65% (after 1 year)
60°C	75% (after 1 year)	60% (after 3 months)

- Historical data from Tesla show capacity degradation of about 5% after 80,000 km (50,000 miles).
- Geotab cited an average decline in battery health of 2.3% per year.
- Reports reveal that under the right conditions *capacity fade in storage can be kept below 10% in 15 years.*
- Capacity fade only reduces the driving range while power remains strong.

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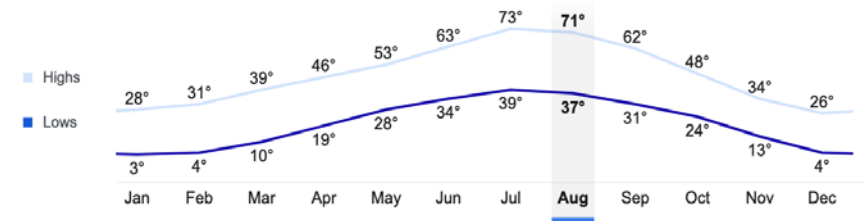
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# Must-Plug-In Day (MPID) Map

Consecutive MPID Map



Temperatures (°F)



Yellowstone National Park average temperatures

MPIDs are defined as the maximum number of days in the 10-year data period for a location where the average daily temperature did not exceed -20 C.

# EV Storage Guidelines

The recommended state of charge for long-term storage is 40%–50%.

- Exposing the battery to high temperature (a battery dwelling above 30°C (86°F) is considered *elevated temperature*) and dwelling in a full state-of-charge for an extended time can be more stressful than cycling.
- The main cold weather issues impacting EVs are range decreases, slower charging speed, lower power in extreme cold, and the need to keep a vehicle plugged in or housed in a heated space, especially during extended periods below -4°F, to prevent a partial discharge; this reduces stress and prolongs battery life.
- Lower charge voltages and cooler temperatures preserve the Li-ion battery when not in use.

Source: “BU-1003a: Battery Aging in an Electric Vehicle (EV), Battery University, last updated August 27, 2019, <https://batteryuniversity.com/article/bu-1003a-battery-aging-in-an-electric-vehicle-ev>.

# EVSE Recommendations: Site Preparation

1. EV charging for fleet vehicles with long-dwell periods should be focused on lower power AC Level 1 [1.9 kW] or low-power AC Level 2 [3.3 kW], “slower” low-cost charging infrastructure options.
2. Charging station installations should have a load analysis performed on the facility’s electrical demand to determine whether capacity is sufficient to add EV charging stations.
3. Consult with licensed electrician and notify your local utility of EVSE deployment plans. The local utility must determine whether the local distribution system is sufficient.
4. Minimize the distance between the electrical panel and EV charging station.
5. When possible, use electrical panels with additional capacity and available breaker slots.
6. Fit the design to the required electrical capacity.
7. Place EV charging stations where a single charging port cable can be accessed via multiple spaces.
8. Ensure the charging station is well integrated into the parking lot. Consider the path of the charging cord when in use so it is not a tripping hazard and evaluate your parking lot management practices.
9. Use charging station protection to prevent cars, snowplows, or sweepers from hitting the station or snagging the charging cords.
10. Consider cellular signal strength, an important factor for networked EV charging station installations.
11. Consider future-proofing by building in enough electrical capacity for EVSE expansion.
12. Install a load management system to regulate power distribution of charging stations based on demand.

# EVSE Recommendations: Monitoring

- 1. Measure and report electricity use in electric vehicles.**
  - Monitor electricity usage using EVSE software, which is available through network subscription.
  - Place new meters close to a power source to reduce trenching costs.
  - Use telematics to capture energy consumption in kWh from EVs.
- 2. When sharing EVSE with POVs, be sure to use network subscriptions.**
- 3. Take advantage of incentives offered by utilities that might reduce the cost of separate meters.**



# EVSE Recommendations: Operations

1. Charge the battery to only 80% and discharge it to 20%.
2. Avoid extended dwell periods in a full state of charge and during exposure to extreme temperatures.
3. For fleet pool vehicles, consider using a parking reservation system to manage access and inform drivers of available mileages.
4. Establish an EV charging station usage policy.
5. Use visible signage and pavement markings identifying EVSE. Doing so helps EV drivers locate stations and fosters increased EV awareness.

# RESOURCES

## Procuring Electric Vehicle Infrastructure through GSA

- [Electric Vehicle Charging Stations](#), GSA

## Energy Savings Performance Contracts (ESPCs)

- [Procuring Electric Vehicle Infrastructure](#), DOE

## Utility Energy Service Contracts (UESCs)

- [Utility Program and Utility Energy Service Contracts for Federal Agencies](#), DOE FEMP
- [DOE Qualified Energy Service Companies](#), DOE FEMP

## Federal Workplace Charging Program Guide

[www.energy.gov/eere/femp/articles/federal-workplace-charging-program-guide](http://www.energy.gov/eere/femp/articles/federal-workplace-charging-program-guide)

- Appendix C: POV Fee Calculations, DOE

## How to Collect Fees

- See [www.pay.gov](http://www.pay.gov).

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“Whole Building Design Guide,” National Institute of Building Sciences, [education.wbdg.org](http://education.wbdg.org)

- [UESC On-Demand Webinar Series: Introduction Part 1—Overview and Background](#)
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  - Auto-ISAC: [“Community Calls”](#)
  - Open Charge Alliance: [Improved Security for OCPP 1.6-J Edition 3 Final](#), February 17, 2022 ([Open Charge Alliance White Papers](#))

## EV Battery Health

- [“What Can 6,000 Electric Vehicles Tell Us About EV Battery Health?”](#) by Charlotte Argue (Geotab *Electric Vehicles* blog, July 7, 2020)
- [“Overcoming EV Range Anxiety with Electric Vehicles,”](#) by Lindsey Hall (Geotab *Electric Vehicles* blog, June 21, 2022)

# Acronyms and Abbreviations

A	ampere	MPID	must-plug-in day
AC	alternating current	NEC	National Electrical Code
AO	agency-owned	NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturer Association
BEV	battery electric vehicle	NREL	National Renewable Energy Laboratory
DCFC	direct current fast charging	OCP	Open Charge Point Protocol
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy	PHEV	plug-in hybrid electric vehicle
ESPC	energy savings performance contract	PKI	public key infrastructure
EV	electric vehicle	POV	privately owned vehicle
EVI-LOCATE	electric vehicle infrastructure localized charging assessment tool and estimator	SIN	standard item number
EVSE	electric vehicle supply equipment	UESC	utility energy service contract
FEMP	Federal Energy Management Program	V	volts
GL-W	GSA wet lease	VAC	volts-alternating current
GSA	U.S. General Services Administration	YCC	Youth Conservation Corps
HDV	heavy-duty vehicle	YCR	Yellowstone Center for Resources
ISAC	Information Sharing and Analysis Center	ZEV	zero-emission vehicle
ISO	International Organization for Standardization	ZPAC	ZEV Planning and Charging
LDV	light-duty vehicle		
kVA	kilo-volt-ampere		
kW	kilowatt		
kWh	kilowatt-hours		
MDP	main distribution panel		
MDV	medium-duty vehicle		

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