

Drive Clean Indiana EMPC Report November 3, 2022

1. U.S. EPA Clean School Bus Awards thru the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law were announced 9/29/22. Schools including Michigan City Schools were awarded \$ 180,000 for (6) Propane School Bus Rebates - A total of 19 buses awarded in Indiana 37 School Corporations in Indiana are still on the waitlist.
2. DCI was recently awarded a U.S. DOE workplace charging grant. Empower “Equitable Mobility Powering Opportunities for Workplace Electrification Readiness.”
3. **Current Opportunities**
 - US DOE Hydrogen Hub concept papers due 11/7/22, with the opportunity for full applications by 4/7/2023.
 - NIRPC NOFA 2024-2028 <https://nirpc.org/2025-2026-nofa-notice-of-funding-availability/> due 11/18/22.
 - IDEM VW Dieselwise Round 4 <https://www.in.gov/idem/airquality/dieselwise> Due 12/21/22.
 - Fiscal Year 2022 Vehicle Technologies Office Program Wide Funding Opportunity - Our area was involved with 8 concepts/4 were requested for complete grant applications which are due 11/9/22.
 - U.S. EPA Clean Ports Listening Session will be held 11/9/22 and 12/6/22 from 12 pm to 2 pm central <https://www.epa.gov/ports-initiative>

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- The Partners for Clean Air Steering Committee Planning Retreat will be 11/10/22 at the Hammond Marina Clipper Room 10am to 2pm.
- DCI in collaboration with NIRPC is planning a series of trainings on municipal EV readiness planning. Topics will include Economic & Community Development, Electric School Buses, Municipal Fleet, Parking & Enforcement, Zoning, Building and Permitting, Public & Destination Charging, Multi-Unit Dwelling Charging, Workplace Charging, Transit Buses, Shuttles, First Responder Training.
- DCI in collaboration with NIRPC and MACOG and Argonne National Labs and other partners are planning an I-80 convening for Electric Charging and Compressed Natural Gas infrastructure. This will assist in determining thru the states National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) best places to locate charging and other alternative fuel infrastructure.
- Also planning a webinar with Department of Energy on our VCI-Mudd project <https://drivecleanindiana.org/vehicle-charging-innovations-for-multi-unit-dwellings-vci-mud/>
- DCI thru the U.S. Department of Energy Vehicle Technologies Office’s Technology Integration program, completed training that will provide opportunities thru the Clean Cities Energy and Environmental Justice Initiative (CCEEJI)
- Indiana’s (Michigan to Montana) -I-94 Alternative Fuel Corridor Project has officially come to an end, look for reports and overview of project early in 2023.

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