

Defending Alternative Fuels Programs

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Transportation Energy Partners

- **Provide policy support** to the nation's Clean Cities Coalitions & our 15,000 stakeholders.
- **Keep coalitions & stakeholders informed** of key policies, programs, & funding opportunities.
- **Educate decision makers** about the importance of advancing markets for clean vehicles and fuels.



Energy Independence Summit 2018

February 11-14 in Washington DC

- 130 Clean Cities and Industry Leaders
- 240 Meetings with Congressional Offices
- Presentations on VW Settlement Opportunities and Electrify America
- Roundtables with Industry Leaders
- Roundtables with Federal Agencies



Clean Transportation Victories in 2017

- Tax Incentives for Alternative Fuels, Vehicles and Infrastructure extended through 2017.
- Renewable Fuels Standard finalized for 2018 and through 2019 for biomass based diesel.
- Maintained \$34 million for DOE Clean Cities program.
- Increased funding for EPA Diesel Emission Reduction Grants from \$50 to \$60 million.



TEP Clean Transportation 2018 Federal Priorities

- Increase Federal Funding for Key Alternative Fuels Programs.
- Extend Tax Incentives for Alternative Fuels, Vehicles and Infrastructure.
- Preserve the Renewable Fuels Standard.
- Include Alternative Fuels in Any New Infrastructure Initiatives.
- Break logjam of CMAQ funding for clean vehicles.



TEP Funding Priorities

- Maintain increased funding for Clean Cities program, including more funding for competitive grants.
- Maintain increased funding for the EPA Clean Diesel grants.



FY 2018 Appropriations Timeline

- House and Senate Committees have passed all bills.
- Congress is funding government at FY 2017 levels through March 23, 2018.
- Congress increased budget caps for FY 2018 and 2019.
- Congress expected to finalize FY 2018 funding by March 23.



FY 2018 Clean Cities Funding

	Funding	Grants	Language
FY 2017	\$34 M	\$15 M	Grants should be \$500k-\$1M
TEP	\$40 M	\$20 M	Grants should be \$500k-\$1M
FY 18 President	0	0	
FY 18 House	0	0	Grants should be \$500k-\$1M
FY 18 Senate	\$28 M	\$24 M	Grants favor states with higher GHGs from transportation.

FY 2018 EPA DERA Funding

- FY 2017: \$60 M
- President: \$10 M
- FY 2018 House: \$75 M
- FY 2018 Senate: \$40 M

FY 2019 Appropriations Timeline

- President proposed budget in February – zero for Clean Cities; \$10 million for DERA.
- Member requests due to Subcommittees in March/April
- Appropriations subcommittees will consider legislation in April, May and June.
- House and Senate floor action in summer.
- Final legislation in fall.



Key Appropriations Leaders

- Senate Energy & Water Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Lamar Alexander (R-TN), Chair
 - Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Ranking Member
- House Energy & Water Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Mike Simpson (R-ID), Chair
 - Marcy Kaptur (D-OH), Ranking Member
- Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), Chair
 - Tom Udall (D-NM), Ranking Member
- House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Ken Calvert (R-CA), Chair
 - Betty McCollum (D-MN), Ranking Member

TEP Recommendations for Clean Cities Funding

- \$50 million for Clean Cities program
- Additional funding should be used for vehicle and infrastructure deployment projects.
- \$30 million for competitive grants.
- \$500,000 - \$1 million per grant
- Clean Cities coalitions should be project participants.



Clean Cities Funding: Recent History

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018 House	FY 2018 Senate
Outreach, Deployment, Analysis	28,300,000	48,400,000	42,500,000	0	34,000,000
Clean Cities Deployment	24,000,000	34,000,000	34,000,000	0	28,000,000

TEP's Proposed Clean Cities Language for FY 2019

- *Within available funds, the Committee recommends \$52,500,000 for Outreach, Deployment and Analysis. Within this amount, \$50,000,000 is provided for Deployment through the Clean Cities Program, including \$30 million for competitive grants to support alternative fuel, infrastructure, and vehicle deployment activities. When issuing competitive grants, the Department is encouraged to focus on awards that range from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 each and include at least one Clean Cities coalition partner. The Department is encouraged to ensure balance in the award of funds to achieve varied aims in fostering broader adoption of clean vehicles and installation of supporting infrastructure.*



TEP Recommendations for EPA Clean Diesel Grants

- \$100 million for in FY 2018 and FY 2019



EPA Clean Diesel Grants: Recent History

FY2014	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018 House	FY 2018 Senate
20,000,000	50,000,000	60,000,000	75,000,000	40,000,000

TEP Appropriations Strategy

- Coalitions/stakeholders send letters/forms urging members of Congress to request Appropriations Subcommittees to include our proposed language.
- Follow up with Congressional offices to make sure they submit your requests.



Key Deadlines

- Member Request Deadlines -- NOW
- House Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee – March 16
- House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee – March 16
- Senate Appropriations Subcommittees – TBD in April



Key Next Steps

- Determine the appropriations request deadlines for your Congressional offices.
- Fill out request form or send request letter to your Congressional offices ASAP (TEP has provided sample letter).
- Get stakeholders to sign on to your requests.
- Follow up with Congressional offices to make sure they submit your requests.



2018 is a Very Important Year

- Administration has not supported Clean Energy programs thus far.
- Federal budget caps have been increased.
- Congress will ultimately decide funding levels.
- It is critical that Congress hear from the many supporters of alternative fuels programs and policies.



Other Federal Issues & Opportunities

- Tax Incentives
- Energy legislation
- Infrastructure legislation
- Free up CMAQ funds



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