Advancing Clean Fuels in the FY2022 Appropriations Process

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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.





- March 17-19: Roundtables with Biden Administration, Members of Congress, Industry Leaders
- March 22-26: Capitol Hill Week
 - 300 virtual meetings with House and Senate offices.
 - Opportunity to showcase how your fuels, technologies, and projects are reducing emissions & creating clean energy jobs across America.

Early Bird Deadline: TOMORROW at Midnight

Energy Independence Summit 2021 Early Bird Deadline: Friday Feb. 26

Invited Speakers:

- Gina McCarthy, White House National Climate Advisor
- Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation
- Jennifer Granholm, Secretary of Energy
- Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture
- Congressman Frank Pallone, Chair, Energy and Commerce Committee
- Congressman Peter DeFazio, Chair, Transportation Committee
- Congressman Donald McEachin, Energy and Commerce Committee
- Senator Ron Wyden, Chair, Senate Finance Committee

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Clean Transportation Victories in 2020

- Tax incentives extended through 2021 for natural gas, propane, infrastructure and qualified fuel cell vehicles.
- \$40 million for the DOE Clean Cities program and \$20 million for another round of EV Community Partnership grants.
- DOE to develop plan for new Clean School Bus Grants for disadvantaged communities and air non-attainment areas.
- \$90 million for EPA Diesel Emission Reduction grants.
- \$125 million for FTA Low/No Emission bus grants for multiple fuel types.
- FHWA must approve CMAQ funding for clean vehicle projects with final assembly in US and respond to Buy America requests within 60 days.
- House passed Clean Cities Authorizing bill twice.



TEP Clean Transportation 2021 Federal Priorities

- Extend Tax Incentives for Alternative Fuels,
 Vehicles and Infrastructure.
- Increase Federal Funding for Clean Cities and DERA.
- Enhance the Renewable Fuels Standard.
- Ensure FHWA approves Buy America waivers for alternative fuel vehicle projects.
- Include Alternative Fuels in New Infrastructure Initiatives.
- Authorize Clean Cities Program.



TEP Appropriations Priorities

- \$50 M for Clean Cities program including \$30 million for competitive grants.
- \$30 M for EV Community Partner grants.
- \$100 million for EPA Diesel Emissions Reduction (DERA) grants.
- Implement language requiring FHWA to resume funding of clean vehicle projects.



FY 2022 Appropriations Timeline Fluid and TBD

- President proposed budget March/April?
- 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

- Energy & Water Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Chair
 - Sen. John Kennedy (R-LA), Ranking Member
 - Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-OH), Chair
 - Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID), Ranking Member
- Interior & Environment Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR), Chair
 - Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), Ranking Member
 - Rep. Chellie Pingree (D-ME), Chair
 - Rep. David Joyce (R-OH), Ranking Member

Key Appropriations Leaders

- Transportation HUD Appropriations Subcommittee
 - Sen. Brian Schatz (D-HI), Chair
 - Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME), Ranking Member
 - Rep. David Price (D-NC), Chair
 - Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL), Ranking Member

Clean Cities Funding: Recent History

	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Clean Cities Deployment	34.0 M	37.8 M	37.8 M	40 M	40 M



TEP Recommendations for Clean Cities Funding

- \$50 million for Clean Cities program
- Increased 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.

TEP Recommendation for EPA Diesel Emissions Reduction Grants

FY 2016	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY2021
50 M	75 M	87 M	87 M	90M

TEP request: \$100 million



TEP CMAQ Recommendation

- Ensure FHWA implements last year's language requiring approval of Buy America waivers for clean vehicle and infrastructure projects, as long as final assembly occurs in the ..
- Include language in FY 2022 if necessary.



TEP Appropriations Strategy

- Coalitions/stakeholders send letters/forms urging members of Congress to request Appropriations Subcommittees to include our proposed language and funding.
- Follow up with Congressional offices to make sure they submit your requests.
- GOAL: 100 House and 60 Senate requests.



Key Deadlines

- Member Request Deadlines
 - Now through March
 - Should be flexible
- House Appropriations Subcommittees Likely March/April
- Senate Appropriations Subcommittees Likely March/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.

Build Back Better TEP Priorities Coming Soon

- Long term tax incentives.
- Major funding for deployment of vehicles and infrastructure.
- Increase RFS volumes.
- Transition the federal fleet.
- Develop a national low carbon fuel standard.



2021 is a Very Important Year

- Administration and Congress very supportive of Clean Energy programs.
- Opportunity to increase funding.
- Critical that Congress hear from the many supporters of alternative fuels programs and policies.





Early Bird Deadline Tomorrow at Midnight

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