

# Electric Vehicle [EV] Charging Infrastructure and the National Environmental Policy Act [NEPA]



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Here's a helpful guide to  
the environmental  
review process for  
EV Charging Stations\*

**The road to EV Charging Infrastructure  
doesn't have to be a mystery.**

**Be sure to...**



## **USE**

- Existing [categorical exclusions](#).
- State [programmatic agreements](#) & checklists.
- Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act [exemption](#).
- Web-based tools such as [NEPAssist](#).



## **CONSIDER**

- Locations in previously developed areas and minimize ground disturbance.
- Installations that reduce visible intrusions on historic properties.
- Locations that are outside of floodplains.



## **AVOID**

- Section 4(f) protected properties, including parks and recreation lands, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and public/private historic sites.
- [Listed](#) threatened/endangered species and their habitat.
- Streams, rivers, and wetlands.
- [Unusual circumstances](#).

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YOU  
KNOW?**



\* In most instances, EV charging stations will be eligible for a categorical exclusion (CE).



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