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Ms. Eileen Vélez Vega  
Secretary  
Puerto Rico Department of Transportation and Public Works  
Stop 22 Minillas Station  
San Juan, PR 00940

Subject: Approval of Puerto Rico Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan

Dear Secretary Vélez Vega:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has completed the review of the Puerto Rico Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan required under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program.<sup>1</sup> Based on the review and the recommendations provided by the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office), FHWA has determined that the Puerto Rico Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan is approved for implementation. With this approval, Fiscal Year 2022 funds are now available to Puerto Rico for obligation.

Also, States should be aware that FHWA has posted updated Frequently Asked Questions on our website at:

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/alternative\\_fuel\\_corridors/resources/nevi\\_program\\_faqs.pdf](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/alternative_fuel_corridors/resources/nevi_program_faqs.pdf)

The FHWA and the Joint Office will follow up with States on specific opportunities for improvement in future year plans and will continue to provide technical assistance and guidance as States continue to update plans and begin implementation.

A publicly accessible version of the Puerto Rico Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan and this approval letter will be available on the FHWA website at:

[https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/nevi/ev\\_deployment\\_plans/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/nevi/ev_deployment_plans/)

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<sup>1</sup> The NEVI program is authorized under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), (Pub. L. 117-58)

Thank you for putting the United States on a path to a nationwide network of EV chargers that can ensure a convenient, affordable, reliable, and equitable charging experience for all users.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gloria M. Shepherd". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'G' and 'S'.

Gloria M. Shepherd  
Associate Administrator  
Office of Planning, Environment and Realty

cc:

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