

ARKANSAS ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

## 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

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### NEWS & EVENTS

JAN. 23-26  
TAMPA, FLORIDA

#### Clean Fuels Conference 2023

For more information, visit:  
[www.cleanfuelsconference.org](http://www.cleanfuelsconference.org)

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#### BEAN CORE: Agent-Based Model to Simulate Transportation Behaviors on a Regional Scale

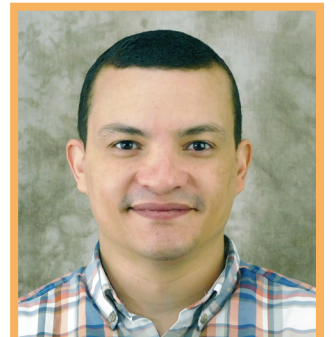
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### CO-DIRECTORS

Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment's (E&E) **ACCC welcomed two co-directors in 2022, Barrett Hunnicutt and Jason Willey.** Barrett and Jason have been handling the existing programming for the coalition and look forward to expanding ACCC's outreach and stakeholder engagement in the upcoming year. They are assuming responsibilities from former ACCC Coordinator, Patti Springs, who retired in 2021.



BARRETT HUNNICUTT

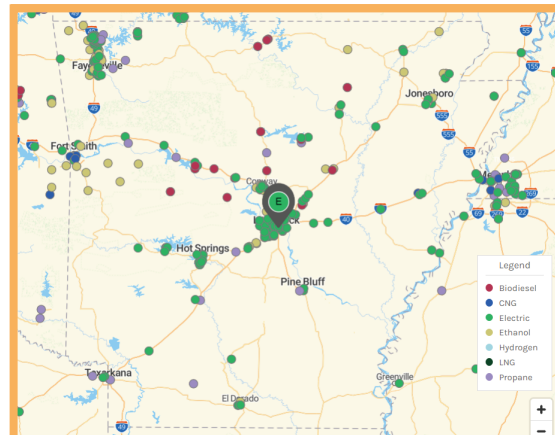


JASON WILLEY

### NEVI PROGRAM

Arkansas will receive \$54.1 million in funding over the next five years from the **National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program.** This funding will create a national Electric Vehicle (EV) Fast Charging Network supporting drivers traveling along the interstate system. Arkansas's NEVI Program will be administered by the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), in association with E&E and ACCC. The funding will fully build the Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs) and Interstates in Arkansas to NEVI standards. Arkansas's Phase One plan was approved in September. Currently, the Project Management Team is working to develop a competitive procurement process. To keep up with developments in Arkansas's NEVI State Plan, visit ARDOT's website at [www.ardot.gov/divisions/transportation-planning-policy/evplan](http://www.ardot.gov/divisions/transportation-planning-policy/evplan).

### PUBLIC L2 CHARGING IN ARKANSAS



ALTERNATIVE FUELING STATION LOCATOR

ACCC continued managing the **Arkansas Level 2 Reimbursement Rebate Program**, which entered its second funding year. Of the 175 Level 2 chargers in the state of Arkansas, 159 have been incentivized through the Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Rebate Program. In 2022, the program disbursed rebates for 107 Level 2 chargers, representing an additional 134 EVSE ports. In December, E&E Leadership authorized the release of remaining Level 2 Funding. Currently, there is \$134,610.72 available for funding until it is exhausted. To learn more about the Level 2 Reimbursement Rebate Program, visit [www.adeq.state.ar.us/energy/opportunities/evse](http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/energy/opportunities/evse).

### DCFC AWARDS

ACCC also manages the **DC Fast Charge (DCFC) Financial Assistance Program**, which provides funding assistance—up to 75% of project costs, up to \$350,000—for installing approximately three 150-kilowatt DC Fast Charge stations. Funded by the state's VW Settlement funds, the program received over 60 applications from across the state. E&E made three awards: to Entergy Arkansas for a station at the Arkadelphia Walmart Supercenter; to Francis Energy for a station at Harps Foods in Springdale; and to Shell Recharge at the Shell station located at Exit 129 on I-40 in Conway. E&E will execute memorandums of agreement with each Awardee in 2022.

### THE YEAR AHEAD

Moving into 2023, ACCC is excited to develop new funding opportunities around EV infrastructure. With the VW-funded Level 2 program closing, a similar program will replace it using federal funding through the Arkansas Energy Office. ACCC will continue to manage the DCFC program as awardees move into the procurement and construction phase. ACCC will also continue to support development of the Arkansas NEVI program and planning for other state and local infrastructure for alternative fuels.