



South Carolina Electric Transportation Network January Newsletter

In the News

The Clinton Chronicle: Governor: A Huge Investment in Electric Vehicles

“To meet this important workforce demand, this Executive Budget recommends \$50 million in funds to create or expand ReadySC EV training institutes at our technical college campuses where automotive technology programs exist or are being developed to meet local manufacturing workforce needs,” reports the staff of The Clinton Chronicle.

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The Island News: EV industry expected to employ more than 10,000 South Carolinians

“At least 10,600 South Carolinians are expected to go to work at new, high-paying jobs in the electric vehicle industry over the next decade,” according to Jessica Holdman of The Island News and SC Daily Gazette.

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South Carolina Public Radio: The \$7,500 tax credit for electric cars has some big changes in 2024. What to know

“If you are considering buying an electric car in 2024, there's good news — and bad news: A hefty federal tax credit for electric vehicles is going to get easier to access this year, but fewer vehicles qualify for the full \$7,500 credit,” writes Camila Domonoske of NPR and SC Public Radio.

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Southern Alliance for Clean Energy: In 2023, Electric Vehicles Were Everywhere

“This year, we watched as global temperatures reached record highs; while at the same time we also saw EV sales soar, making up 19% of global auto sales,” writes Stan Cross of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy.

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WIS News 10: Some manufacturers are scaling back electric vehicle production. Should SC be concerned?

“Those kind of investments don't get made unless an irreversible trend is being established,” Lightsey said. So Lightsey said he is not concerned about those recent reductions in electric vehicle production for some manufacturers outside South Carolina. “This transition will occur very gradually, over decades, and so we've got a foot in that future,” he said,” reports Mary Green of WIS News 10

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Events

January 18

11:00 AM

Topics include updated 2024 EV tax credits, Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) award announcements, and an electric transportation legislative update.

[SC Electric Transportation Network Monthly Call](#)

January 23

2:00 PM

Zoom

[Economic Impact of Sustainability in SC webinar from Sustain SC](#)

January 23

5:30- 8:00 PM

Columbia, SC

[Conservation Voters of SC's Legislative Kickoff Reception](#)

January 25

12:00- 1:30 PM

Greenville, SC

[Lunch & Learn: GSP Transit Hub](#)

February 1

6:00- 9:00 PM

Aiken, SC

[Transit Equity Day: A Celebration of Rosa Parks](#)

February 6

10:00 AM- 8:00 PM

Columbia, SC

[SC Conservation Coalition Lobby Day and Oyster Roast](#)

February 13-15

Greenville, SC

[2024 SC Automotive Summit](#)

February 15

11:00 AM

[SC Electric Transportation Network Monthly Call](#)

February 26

Orlando, FL

[GridTECH Connect Forum Southeast](#)

March 12-14

Savannah, GA

[Electrification 2024 International Conference and Exposition](#)

March 12-13
Washington, D.C.
[SAFE Summit 2024](#)

Funding Opportunities

Challenge closes Jan. 23, 2024

The EPA wants to hear about your experience, from electric scooters to electric school buses. Create a short (one- to two-minute) video showcasing your personal experience with EVs as part of EPA's prize competition, and you may win up to \$3,000.

[My Electric Ride: An EV Transportation Video Challenge](#)

Applications accepted on a rolling basis - deadline to apply is Nov. 21, 2024

The Environmental Protection Agency has announced \$2 billion in funds for environmental and climate justice activities to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges.

[IRA Community Change Grants Program](#)

Miss our last meeting?

November 16, 2023: [WATCH IT HERE](#)

Questions?

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