

**News Release** 

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## Input sought for Level 3 electric vehicle charger locations on Kaua'i

LĪHU'E – The County of Kaua'i's Office of Economic Development is seeking public input for Level 3 electric vehicle (EV) charger priority locations on Kaua'i.

The County is in the early phases of a project to install several Level 3 electric vehicle chargers on county property. This project is made possible by Congressionally Directed Spending earmarked by Senator Brian Schatz and Senator Mazie Hirono.

"As we develop the project plan, we are conducting a survey to receive feedback from our community on priority locations for Level 3 chargers," said Christina Kaser, Energy Coordinator for the Office of Economic Development. "In addition to feedback from our Department of Parks and Recreation and Department of Public Works, these survey responses will be taken into consideration for Level 3 charger locations and any future EV charger projects that may arise."

The public is encouraged to participate in the online survey by May 18, at the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/g/rbegJS2eNu">https://forms.office.com/g/rbegJS2eNu</a>.

Other criteria the County is considering for charger sites includes the potential for islandwide coverage, proximity to existing transformers, other public EV chargers, potential planned areas for EV chargers, security, and areas where people can do different activities while charging.

Currently on Kaua'i, all public chargers are Level 2, and households typically charge their electric vehicles with Level 1 or Level 2 chargers. Level 3 chargers, also referred to as DC Fast Chargers, are

significantly faster than Level 1 and 2 chargers, as they convert AC power to DC power (alternating current to direct current) within the charger itself, sending DC power to the vehicle. Level 3 chargers can charge a vehicle to 80% full in under an hour.

For more information regarding the survey or project, please contact Christina Kaser at <a href="mailto:ckaser@kauai.gov">ckaser@kauai.gov</a>.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Christina Kaser at 808-241-1950 or at <a href="mailto:ckaser@kauai.gov">ckaser@kauai.gov</a>, as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

