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DEQ, in partnership with the Oregon Department of Transportation, the Oregon Department of Energy and the Oregon Health Authority's Public Health Division, is requesting public comment on a proposal to consider using a portion of the Volkswagen (VW) diesel settlement allotted to Oregon to support the state's policy of electrifying the transportation sector. The proposal complements and extends current efforts in Oregon for Electric Vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure in Oregon. The VW Settlement decree allows up to 15 percent of each state's allocation – in Oregon this is approximately $10.9 million - to be used to develop and maintain EV charging stations. The Oregon Legislature must act to approve future uses of VW Settlement funds in Oregon. This process will inform further consideration by the Legislature of future project activity.

Electrifying the transportation sector is a critical strategy for Oregon to achieve its climate and air quality goals. Governor Kate Brown issued Executive Order No. 17-21 that established an aggressive goal to have 50,000 or more registered EVs in Oregon by 2020. This goal will be achieved by:

- Having Oregon state agencies lead by example with increased use of EVs;
- Increasing Oregonians' access to EVs;
- Increasing Oregonians' access to EV charging infrastructure;
- Providing partners with information on EV use and functionality; and
- Celebrating achievements by recognizing businesses and organizations that lead Oregon in EV adoption.

Task 5A of the executive order directs the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Transportation, the Oregon Department of Energy, and the Oregon Health Authority's Public Health Division, to engage in a stakeholder process to inform the development of a VW EV Infrastructure Proposal. This proposal consists of three action areas: updating the West Coast Electric Highway to extend usage; increase equity access to charging at multi-unit dwellings; and filling gaps in the charging network with DC fast chargers.

To review the plan, to learn the details about a public briefing on the plan and the process to comment, go to http://www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/programs/Pages/evchargeinfrastructure.aspx.

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