

Utility Make-Ready Programs

Utility make-ready programs support the development and upgrade of electrical grid infrastructure and equipment necessary to prepare sites for EV charging installation. The scope of covered costs varies by program, but most make-ready programs typically cover utility-side costs up to the meter, such as service line extensions and transformer upgrades, and customer-side costs up to the charger, such as trenching, wiring, conduit, and electrical panels.

Policy Applicability

What jurisdictions have enacted utility make-ready programs?

Utilities and cooperatives in the following jurisdictions have enacted make-ready programs: AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NM, NY, OR, PA, SC, UT, VA, and WI.

Example policies to consider

The New York State Make-Ready Program establishes a statewide framework to accelerate the deployment of EV charging infrastructure in support of the state's clean energy and climate goals. The program allocates more than \$885 million to investor-owned utilities in New York to support EV make-ready programs, including a medium-/heavy-duty vehicle pilot, and covers up to 100% of costs for publicly available projects located in disadvantaged areas.

Other resources

Atlas Public Policy's <u>Electric Utility Filings Dashboard</u> contains summaries and links to filed and approved utility make-ready and other transportation electrification programs.

The U.S. Department of Energy's <u>Alternative Fuels Data Center</u> includes links to cooperatives and utilities that cover make-ready or pre-wiring costs for EV charging stations.