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California approves \$384mn plan to push zero-emission transportation

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The California Energy Commission (CEC) approved a \$384 million plan for critical clean transportation investments to boost the adoption of zero-emission cars and trucks. The plan focuses on closing gaps in zero-emission fuels and infrastructure to support California's executive order phasing out the sale of new gasoline-powered passenger vehicles by 2035.

"This funding plan is another down payment on electrifying transportation while helping ensure everyone can take part through access to convenient refueling, innovative mobility options, workforce training programs and more," said lead commissioner for transportation, Patty Monahan.

The 2020-2023 Investment Plan Update for the CEC's Clean Transportation Program (formerly known as the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program) prioritizes funding for zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) infrastructure, related workforce development and manufacturing.

The funds will become available over the next three years and will be distributed to projects through a mix of competitive funding solicitations and direct funding agreements.

Created in 2007, the Clean Transportation Program is one of the first transportation-focused funding efforts established to help advance California's climate change policies. Now in its 12th year, the program has provided nearly \$900 million to projects across the state covering a broad spectrum of alternative fuels and technologies.