





IREV PILOT: POLICY AND PLANNING TOOLKITS FOR STATES AND COMMUNITIES

The Initiative for Resiliency in Energy through Vehicles (iREV) is a nation-wide effort to integrate alternative fuel vehicles (AFVs) into emergency planning and response activities. Spearheaded by the National Association of State Energy Officials and in partnership with State Energy Offices, Clean Cities Coalitions, trade associations and other partners, iREV has developed a series of resources that can help emergency managers learn about AFVs and integrate them into planning activities. These include: case studies that examine how biodiesel, electric, natural gas, and propane vehicles have been used by communities during emergencies; an online tool that can help emergency managers visualize where alternative fuel vehicles and stations are located in their communities; and a memo identifying opportunities for alternative fuels to be integrated into future emergency operations plans and energy assurance plans.

In the coming months, NASEO will provide technical assistance to 2-3 states or communities who wish to examine opportunities to bolster resiliency and incorporate alternative fuel vehicles into future emergency plans. For each "Pilot" community, NASEO will:

- Work with the participating jurisdiction to identify relevant emergency operations plans and energy assurance plans, and understand local emergency management policy and operations;
- Review participating jurisdictions' emergency operations and energy assurance plans and identify ways that the plans could incorporate one or more alternative fuels;
- Work with the local Clean Cities Coalition and fleet managers to identify the locations of alternative fuel vehicles and stations within the participating jurisdiction, and upload this information into the iREV-Tracking Tool; and
- Work with participating jurisdictions to develop a "Policy and Planning Toolkit," which will include a summary of findings and recommended steps the jurisdiction can take to incorporate alternative fuels into future plans, based on their local processes.

States and cities interested in learning more about and/or participating in an iREV Pilot should contact NASEO Senior Program Director Cassie Powers (<u>cpowers@naseo.org</u>). Pilot projects will begin in March, 2017.