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Minnesota Power rolling out 16 new fast chargers as EV public charging network expands

DULUTH, Minn. – Minnesota Power is giving EV drivers more options to charge their vehicles away from home by expanding the number of public chargers in the region with 16 new fast charging stations. The company is highlighting its new fast chargers and the benefits of electric vehicles as it joins energy providers and other organizations across the nation to mark National Drive Electric Month, Sept. 12-Oct. 12.

Minnesota Power unveiled the first of its new fast chargers at the Miller Hill Super One Foods in Duluth on Tuesday. It is one of four planned for Duluth and the company also plans to install and operate fast chargers along travel corridors in rural and more densely populated areas in northeastern Minnesota.

“We’re committed to making EV driving more convenient and practical for everyone, no matter where they live, through easy access to charging stations and special programs,” said Katie Frye, manager of Customer Programs and Distribution Services at Minnesota Power. “By complementing other existing publicly available chargers, we’re investing in the communities we serve and supporting cleaner transportation, which is vital to the clean energy transition. Positioned along major travel corridors, drivers can fuel their EVs with energy that is increasingly carbon-free and be on their way.”

Where are the Minnesota Power fast chargers?

The company selected locations for its fast chargers to help fill gaps in the existing charging network and reduce “range anxiety” for EV drivers traveling in the region. In addition to four sites in Duluth, Minnesota Power will own and operate fast chargers in Bigfork, Cohasset, Eveleth, Floodwood, Hinckley, Motley, along Highway 53, Little Falls, Long Prairie, Silver Bay, International Falls and Park Rapids and anticipates they will in service by the end of the year.

Each of the 16 Minnesota Power charging sites will feature DC fast chargers equipped with a minimum of two charging plugs. Most locations also will include a Level 2 charger, offering a cost-effective alternative for EV owners or serving as a backup if the DC fast charger is in use.

Minnesota Power’s DC Fast Charger Project has secured about \$175,000 in grants from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and is pursuing federal tax credits to help mitigate construction costs.

What does it cost to charge at a Minnesota Power fast charger?

Minnesota Power’s charging rates are set at the regional average for similar public charging stations and are approved by Minnesota regulators, ensuring the company’s costs are aligned with market standards. Pricing details will be available on the ZEFNET app, popular EV platforms like PlugShare, and Minnesota Power’s DCFC project webpage.

Customers can pay for charging using a credit card at the charger or the ZEFNET app. A standard connection fee and time-of-day rates will apply at all locations.

Incentives and rebates

Minnesota Power offers several programs designed to make driving an electric vehicle more affordable.

EV charger rebates. Residential customers are eligible for a \$500 rebate toward the purchase of a Level 2 smart charger. In addition, customers who participate in Minnesota Power's Residential EV Service Rate are eligible for a \$500 rebate on the installation of a required, dedicated second service at their home. Details and conditions available [here](#).

Discounted charging rates. Minnesota Power offers discounted rates for charging an EV for both residential and commercial customers. More information about programs and incentives:

[Residential programs and incentives](#)

[Commercial programs and incentives](#)

Support for EVs, including expanding access to public charging stations, special rates for EV charging and rebates for home chargers, is part of Minnesota Power's EnergyForward vision for a carbon-free energy future. Find more about Minnesota Power's Electric Vehicle Fast Charger Project [here](#).

About Minnesota Power

Minnesota Power provides electric service within a 26,000-square-mile area in northeastern Minnesota, supporting comfort, security and quality of life for 150,000 customers, 14 municipalities and some of the largest industrial customers in the United States. More information can be found at www.mnpower.com.

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