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[FTA's Electric or Low-Emitting Ferry Pilot Program](#) provides competitive funding for electric or low-emitting ferries and charging equipment that reduce greenhouse gas emissions by using alternative fuels or on-board energy storage systems. FTA is awarding \$97.6 million to seven projects in seven states.

State	Project Sponsor	FTA Ferry Program ▼	Project Description	Amount
AK	Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF)	Electric/Low-Emitting	The Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities will receive funding to build an electric ferry that will improve transportation to rural port communities while reducing emissions and improving the sustainability of the Alaska ferry system. The Alaska Marine Highway System provides year-round transportation for passengers and vehicles between 35 Alaskan coastal communities, which helps Alaskans access jobs, schools, doctors, and other essential services.	\$46,214,008
GA	Georgia Department of Transportation - Office of Intermodal Programs	Electric/Low-Emitting	The Georgia Department of Transportation will receive funding on behalf of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to buy a new electric ferry to replace an older vessel for the continuation of daily transit services in McIntosh County, GA. The DNR operates passenger ferry service between Meridian Georgia, and Sapelo Island, ensuring residents have access to medical, education, shopping needs and other mainland points of interest.	\$4,000,000
MA	Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority	Electric/Low-Emitting	The Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority will receive funding to build two solar-powered ferries and restore service on the Merrimack River along	\$4,200,000

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			the northshore seacoast of Massachusetts. The initiative will relieve traffic congestion in beach towns, eliminate greenhouse gases for river transportation and support job creation.	
MD	City of Annapolis	Electric/Low-Emitting	The City of Annapolis will receive funding to initiate passenger ferry service between the city's downtown and Eastport by buying two battery electric vessels and charging equipment and making improvements to the two docks. The fixed-route service will accommodate workers, residents and visitors, support redevelopment of the City Dock area and further the transitioning of the city's transportation fleet from diesel- powered vehicles to zero-emissions vehicles.	\$2,975,000
ME	Maine Department of Transportation	Electric/Low-Emitting	The Maine Department of Transportation will receive funding to build a hybrid-electric vessel to replace a 35-year-old vessel that has exceeded its useful life. This new hybrid-electric vessel will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote environmental sustainability for the roughly 600 residents of the island of Islesboro, a rural community in upper Penobscot Bay who rely on passenger ferry service.	\$28,000,000
NJ	New Jersey Transit Corporation	Electric/Low-Emitting	New Jersey Transit will receive funding to convert two New York Waterway vessels from diesel power to battery electric propulsion systems and buy charging equipment to support them. The project will improve service reliability, state of good repair and improve air quality in the community.	\$7,298,010
WA	Washington State Department of Transportation, Ferries Division	Electric/Low-Emitting	The Washington State Department of Transportation Ferries Division will receive funding to build an electric charging facility at the Clinton Ferry Terminal, part of WDOT's plan to electrify the Mukilteo-Clinton Ferry	

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			Route. The agency is building battery-electric-powered ferries to serve the route to reduce greenhouse-gas emissions. Washington State Ferries serve as a critical link to jobs, schools, doctors, and other essential services, as well as a transportation system for freight and goods.	