



SMARTER FLEETS

SMARTER FLEETS PROGRAM – ELECTRIC VEHICLES IN THE TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT

OVERVIEW

The **Smarter Fleets Program – Electric Vehicles in the Tasmanian Government** (the Program) will provide tailored information and guidance to Tasmanian Government agencies on preparing to integrate electric vehicles into their fleets.

The Program will actively engage, support and mentor agency fleet managers to be 'electric vehicle ready' as new models are introduced into the Australian market and become mainstream.

The Program will:

- be tailored to meet the needs of each agency fleet to become electric vehicle ready;
- be responsive to existing agency awareness, resources and fleet management arrangements;
- provide practical and actionable suggestions to incorporate electric vehicles into agency fleet; and
- facilitate knowledge sharing and collaborative problem solving among agency fleet managers in preparing for the uptake of electric vehicles.

The Program will run in the 2018-19 and 2019-20 financial years and is managed by the Department of Premier and Cabinet's Tasmanian Climate Change Office (TCCO).

BACKGROUND

The Tasmanian Government's Smarter Fleets Program commenced in 2015. The aim of the Program is to reduce vehicle emissions and fuel costs.

Under *Climate Action 21: Tasmania's Climate Change Action Plan 2017-2021*, the Tasmanian Government is committed to improving the efficiency of the Tasmanian Government transport fleet by identifying and addressing barriers to the uptake of electric vehicles.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

Electric vehicles powered by Tasmania's renewable energy have the potential to significantly improve the efficiency of the State's vehicle fleet.

The benefits of incorporating electric vehicles into Tasmanian Government fleets include:

- reduced transport costs for agencies (lower service requirements and running costs); and
- greenhouse gas emissions reduction.

Introducing electric vehicles into fleets also has the additional benefits of:

- stimulating demand for electric vehicles in Tasmania;
- creating a second-hand electric vehicle market; and
- raising awareness within the Tasmanian community through exposure to electric vehicles.

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TIMELINE

Key program stages

Expected timing

May 2019

Program starts

May and June 2019

Analyse each agency's fleet profile

July to December 2019

Develop draft *Electric Vehicle Integration Plan* with each agency, including:

- suitable electric vehicles that best fit each agency's fleet needs;
- suitable charging infrastructure; and
- suggested next steps to guide integration of electric vehicles into agency fleets.

December 2019 to February 2020

Provide and discuss draft *Electric Vehicle Integration Plan* with each agency (to include ongoing tailored guidance, support and mentoring of fleet managers).

February 2020

Conduct results workshop with agencies.

March 2020

Deliver final *Electric Vehicle Integration Plan* for each agency.

April 2020

Final Program report to TCCO.

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