

**Public Notice and Opportunity to Comment on the Effects of Installation  
Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers within Lakefront Reservation – Patrick S. Parker Sailing  
Center**

**NOACA EV Charging Stations – Phase 2 Program**

**Please provide comments by March 17, 2026.**

The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Cleveland Metroparks, proposes installing electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at 5555 N. Marginal Road, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County. The installation will include four Direct Current Fast Chargers (DCFC) at the western parking lot along Yacht Club Drive.

While the exact location has not yet been determined, the parking lot adjacent the Patrick S. Parker Sailing Center is confirmed. The project will use approximately 0.02-0.04 acres (4 parking spaces) from the pre-existing parking lot (0.68 acres) on the property, as shown in the figure below. Detours will not be necessary for the installation of the chargers. Though part of the surface lot will be blocked, access to the facilities and sufficient parking spaces will be available during installation. Installation is expected to take approximately 1-2 days.

Cleveland Metroparks Lakefront Reservation, which includes the Patrick S. Parker Sailing Center at the former East 55th Street Marina, is a recreational facility and as a public recreational facility, the location was determined to be a recreational resource under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-670, 80 Stat. 931; codified at 23 U.S.C. 138; implemented by 23 CFR Part 774). This protects from adverse impacts from federal-aid transportation projects. A *de minimis* impact determination is proposed to fulfill those requirements.

Cleveland Metroparks is the lease-holder and operator of the property and NOACA has coordinated with Cleveland Metroparks staff regarding project impacts to ensure that the project will not adversely affect the recreational activities, features, or attributes that qualify the park for protection. Cleveland Metroparks Director of Grants and Director of Construction have concurred that the project will not adversely affect the protected recreational activities, features, or attributes associated with the property.

NOACA will implement the following measures to minimize harm to the property:

- Access to the Patrick S. Parker Sailing Center will be maintained during installation.
- All staging equipment will be limited to the pre-existing lot; installation shall not take place outside of the proposed construction area.
- Installation activities will be scheduled during off-peak park hours to reduce disruption to visitors.
- Temporary measures such as warning cones or signage will be installed to direct pedestrians safely around the work area.
- Any disturbed pavement or landscaping will be restored to preconstruction condition; minor vegetation will be replaced where removal is necessary.

Based on the assessment of use, FHWA anticipates making a determination of *de minimis* impacts on the proposed temporary use of the property. *De minimis* impacts are minor in nature and, after considering avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures, will not result in an adverse effect on the park. FHWA will make the final *de minimis* impact determination based on the outcome of the public comment process and written concurrence from the Cleveland Metroparks. Comments regarding the impacts on the park and the proposed *de minimis* impact finding must be submitted to NOACA by March 17, 2026. Comments may be submitted to:

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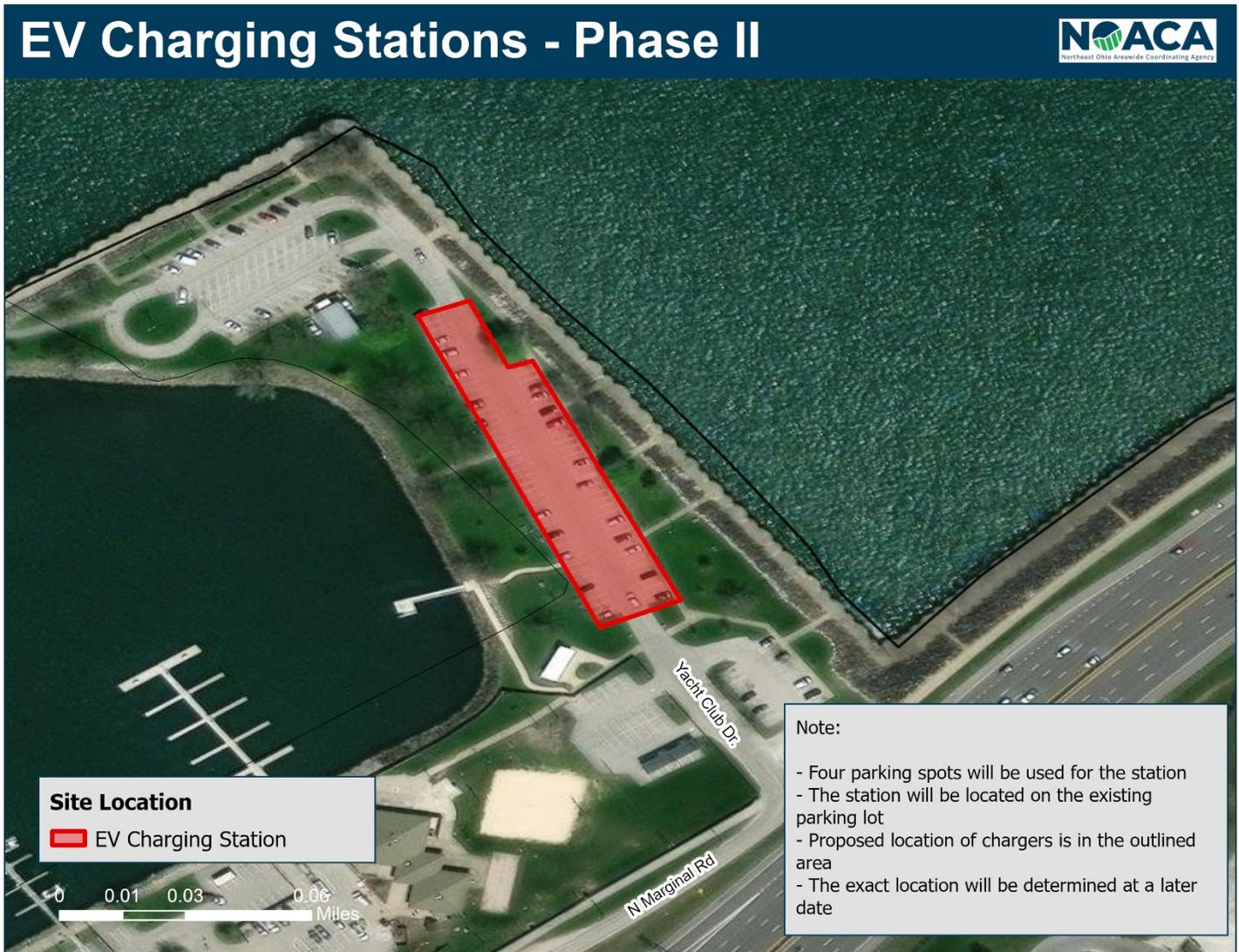


Figure 1. Proposed Locations for the EV Charging Stations