

INVITATION TO THE 61st MEETING OF THE GRPE INFORMAL GROUP ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND THE ENVIRONMENT (EVE)

On invitation of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the 61st informal working group meeting on Electric Vehicles and the Environment will take place in Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA:

- Meeting location: NVFEL Office Building, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105 (for directions, see the map on page 3)
- Starting at 09:30 on Tuesday, April 25 2023
- Ending at 17:30 on Wednesday, April 26, 2023

The objective of the 61st EVE-IWG meeting will be to continue key items in the Terms of References ([Electric Vehicles and the Environment \(EVE\) - Transport - Vehicle Regulations - UNECE Wiki](#)) which continues the development of GTR No 22, GTR No 21 and new battery durability provisions for the heavy duty vehicle sector. The work may include other related topics to the work of the EVE IWG.

During your attendance at the meeting, please consider:

- Giving an EVE-related presentation: Participants are encouraged to give a presentation on their area of expertise relating to EVE topics of interest or standardization.

If you plan to attend the meeting, we would like to ask you to inform the EPA primary contact for meeting organization (safoutin.mike@epa.gov) by April 3, 2023. In your reply please note:

1. Planned attendance.
2. Visa status: Please indicate whether, based on your citizenship, you will require a personalized invitation letter from EPA to obtain a visa to enter the U.S. (more information at State Department link on page 4)
3. Presentation: If you will give a presentation at the meeting, please provide a brief description of the topic, where it should be included in the agenda, and how much time you require. Please note that the final time and duration will be determined based on the number of presentations brought forward. Ideally presentations should be sent one week prior to the meeting, but will be accepted later if needed.

Please note that according to US Government policy concerning foreign visitors to government offices, attendees who are not citizens of the United States will be asked to complete a form with passport and visa information and lodging and travel arrangements.

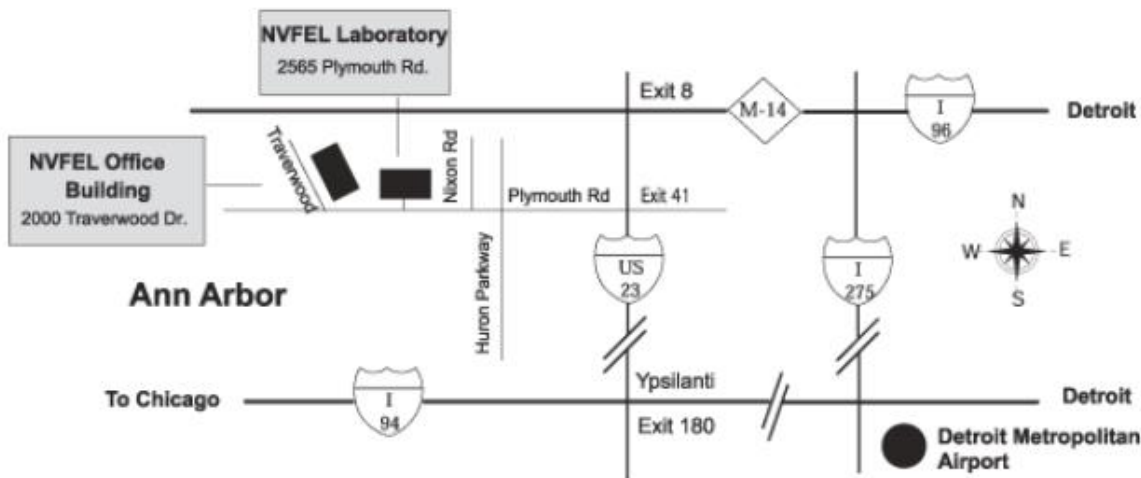
A finalized agenda and documents for the meeting, as well as teleconferencing arrangements, will be uploaded to the informal group webpage prior to the meeting as they become available: <https://wiki.unece.org/display/trans/EVE+61st+Session>

Directions, hotel and travel information can be found on page 3-5 of this document.

Directions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Laboratory (NVFEL)

Office Building
2000 Traverwood Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
(734) 214-4300

Lab Building
2565 Plymouth Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
(734) 214-4200

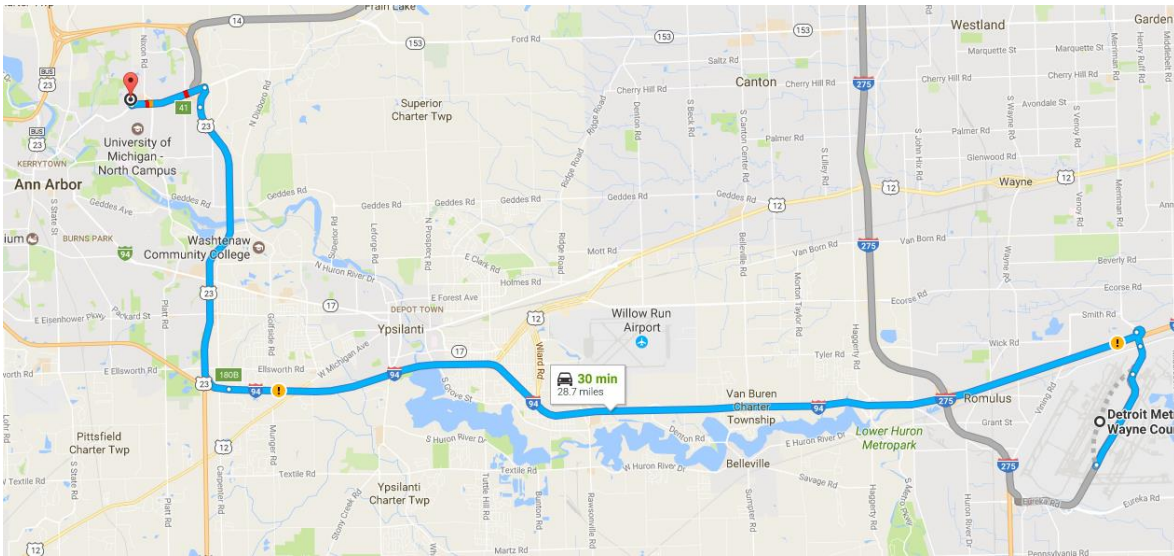


From Downtown Detroit: Take I-96 West to M-14. Continue on M-14 to the US-23 South exit (Exit 8). Exit onto US-23 South. Within 1/4 mile, take the Plymouth Road exit (Exit 41). Turn right (west) on Plymouth Road. The NVFEL lab building is located about 1 mile west of US-23 on the north side of Plymouth Road. There is a large sign in front. Visitors' parking is on the right side of the entrance driveway; stop at the guard station. The NVFEL office building is located on Traverwood Drive, just west of the lab.

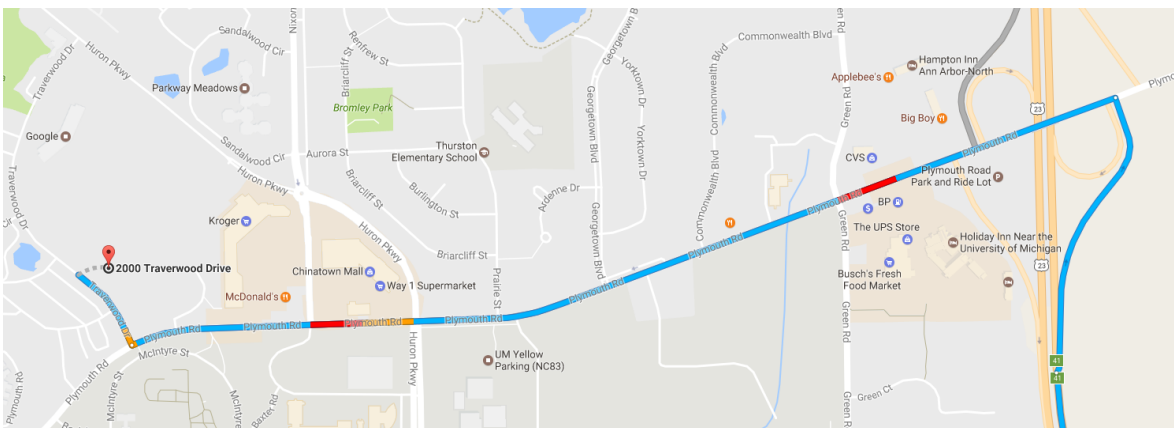
From Detroit Metropolitan Airport: Take I-94 West about 20 miles to US-23 (Exit 180). Exit onto US-23 North (toward Flint). Follow US-23 North 5 miles to the Plymouth Road exit (Exit 41). Turn left (west) on Plymouth Road. The NVFEL lab building is located about 1 mile west of US-23 on the north side of Plymouth Road. There is a large sign in front. Visitors' parking is on the right side of the entrance driveway; stop at the guard station. The NVFEL office building is located on Traverwood Drive, just west of the lab.

NVFEL Office Building: A half block down Traverwood Dr., on the right, is our parking lot. Park anywhere in the lot. Enter the building through the doors marked VISITOR ENTRANCE. The guards will receive you and you will be met in the lobby by the host.

NVFEL Laboratory Building: Enter at 2565 Plymouth Road. If driving, stop the vehicle near the guard gate to the RIGHT. The guard will approach, inspect the vehicle and give you further instructions. If on foot, proceed to the same gate on foot.



Route from Detroit Metro Airport to 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor



Detail – Plymouth Road and Traverwood Drive

Hotel and Travel Information:

<https://www.annarbor.org/hotels/?catid=1>

This is a list of Ann Arbor hotels provided by the visitors' bureau. Hotels closest to NVFEL are: Holiday Inn Near the University of Michigan, Hampton Inn North, and Red Roof Inn University North. Suggested hotels in downtown Ann Arbor are: Bell Tower Hotel, Residence Inn Ann Arbor Downtown, and Graduate Ann Arbor. There are several Bed and Breakfast options in the downtown area as well.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html>

This site provides information about obtaining a visa for the U.S.A. (if required for your country of origin)

<http://www.metroairport.com/>

Here is a site about Detroit Metropolitan Airport, the closest commercial airport to Ann Arbor (about 25 miles away). Detroit Metro serves most of the major commercial carriers, and is a hub for Delta Airlines.

<https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-national-vehicle-and-fuel-emissions-laboratory-nvfel>

This site provides general information about the National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Laboratory (NVFEL).

<https://www.annarbor.org/>

This is the area convention and visitors' bureau site. You can also find interesting links to articles about places in Ann Arbor.

<http://www.a2gov.org/>

This is the official City of Ann Arbor site. On it you will find links about things to do, current events, and much more.