# THE ROAD TO HIGHER ETHANOL BLENDS



In 2019, EPA approved the sale of year-round E15, a fuel that EPA has approved for use in 2001-model year cars and newer, which is more than 9 out of 10 cars on the road.

Federal and state biofuel infrastructure programs are key investments that expand market access for higher blends like E15, E30, and E85. The increase in higher blends provides more choices at the pump, lowers gas prices, and improves air quality. Legislation has also been introduced to build upon the success of the original Biofuels Infrastructure Partnership (BIP) and the newer Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP).

#### HIGHER BLENDS INFRASTRUCTURE **INCENTIVE PROGRAM (HBIIP)**

To accelerate adoption of higher ethanol blends across the country, Growth Energy worked with retail partners across the country to submit grant applications for \$33 million to 293 sites to upgrade infrastructure projects for higher biofuel blends including fuel dispensers, storage tanks, and other equipment. This will improve consumer access to E15 and other blends which will continue to drive rural economic growth.



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### **CURRENT NUMBER OF E15 STATIONS**

The United States is now home to 2,228 E15 stations in 30 states and consumers have already driven more than 14 billion miles on E15. HBIIP will build upon this success.

U.S. Representatives Abby Finkenauer (D-lowa), Roger

Marshall (R-Kan.), Angie Craig (D-Minn.), and Don Bacon (R-Neb.) introduced the Clean Fuels Deployment Act. The

legislation authorizes \$600 million over six years for the Department of Transportation to provide grants that will

incentivize the deployment of fueling infrastructure for

ethanol and biodiesel, with a focus on ethanol blends greater than 10 percent and biodiesel blends greater

H.R. 6671: CLEAN FUELS DEPLOYMENT ACT OF 2020

#### MAJOR RETAILERS COMMITTED TO HIGHER BLENDS































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## **OUR ASK:**

 Support E15 as the new national standard fuel by eliminating market barriers. These include incentives like the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP) or the Clean Fuels Deployment Act (H.R. 6671).

than 20%.

- Removing the confusing labeling required only for E15.
- Support greater market access to higher octane midlevel ethanol blends to meet increasingly more stringent fuel economy standards (E15 and above).
- Support E15 as the new national standard fuel.