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Comments on 2022-R-A-0011: Low Emission Vehicle Program

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Comments:

I am totally against this program. I could not afford to buy an electric vehicle or maintain an electric vehicle. I currently drive a 2003 GMC Envoy. If my battery needs to be replaced, it would cost me around \$100. If I breakdown, someone could stop and give me a jump start or tow me to safety. From what I understand, the batteries for an electric vehicle can cost upwards of \$10,000. AND, if you need a new battery, the old electric battery cannot be disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner----it's actually worse on the environment than my current battery. Also, if I break down in an electric vehicle, no one can just give me a jump. Also, I can travel hundreds of miles in my gmc, only having to stop to get fuel, which takes about 5 minutes. From what I understand, you cannot go driving endlessly in an electric vehicle. And, when you do need to charge the vehicle, it takes hours, not minutes. Who has that kind of time to sit and wait for their vehicle to charge. Plus, if it is late at night and I am alone, I think it would be very dangerous to have to stop for a couple of hours to charge my vehicle. Then, I have it all to do again when the battery gets low. Sounds like a trip that might take you 6 hours would end up taking you twice that. I think this is a very bad thing and I know a lot of people who feel the same way. Public opinion should weigh heavily in the decision to move on. I would bet there are more people against than for this.