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

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## Comments:

I am completely against the adoption of the Low Emissions Vehicle Program, in its current state. However, some of the other measures may be helpful. WE CAN START with no littering signs again... where did they go? The overreach of DNREC is extremely concerning, and illegal from my standpoint, but they are not focusing on what they should be doing. FOR EXAMPLE, the "MASTER PLANS" at our state parks DO NOT address the health of the freshwater ponds at all! Please take a look. Only more buildings, concrete, and money making schemes are in the Plans. The things DNREC should be most focusing on; for example clean ponds; for the residents of Delaware, are not even in the discussion! While everyone agrees that it is our responsibility to care for our environment, Delaware government mandates are OUT of Control. Instead of mandating and taking away any choices, which is not legal in the USA, Delaware should encourage eventual environmental improvement through education and tax incentives. The focus on this EV mandate is evident of a huge corporate and political push, while the obvious environmental, and local issues are not addressed. Why on earth would the credits only go to manufacturers or dealers. Why is it not a consumer credit, since the consumer's are the ones ultimately paying the price? If, in fact, there is any benefit to the increase in electric vehicle usage, then it should flourish naturally based on the free market that makes our country unique. I, for one, do not believe the benefits of having no choice at all, will result in any significant improvements to "climate change". The climate has changed since the beginning of time~ Please, no more UNCONSTITUTIONAL mandates by DNREC or any of the other agencies that are here only to "SERVE THE CITIZENS OF DELAWARE". Let's get back to that, please?