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

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Comments:

As oyster farmers we believe that the environment is degrading and needs proactive governmental policies to help decrease the rate of degradation and reverse trends to improving our environment. With this goal of improving our environment we do not believe that you should limit the technical solutions that are available to the public. Current EV is not a zero emissions program. Current EV infrastructure and technology do not meet the needs of our businesses and personal lifestyles. Range of vehicles and weight load/pulling capacity is our current concern. We are strong supporters of alternate technologies and believe that all should be supported by our government at this time. Not an EV only program!!!! Plug in hybrids appear to be better technology to us at this time. For short trips the vehicle operates on electric only. Hopefully this electric in the future will be 100% supplied from solar or wind. For longer / heavier trips the vehicle can convert to other combustion type forms of energy like dessiel, hydrogen or propane. If our government supports plug in hybrid solutions at this time our plug-in infrastructure will have chance to change. And technology will have a chance to create vehicles with ranges in the 500 to 600 miles per day range. We regularly make trips from Delaware to Florida in 18 hours in a single vehicle with multiple drivers. This is not possible with the current EV technology. Thank you for listening to our perspective and hopefully we can come up with a solution that helps our environment without limiting other potential solutions. Mark Casey 302-612-1011