

## Clean air act public meetings

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It would be a travesty to adopt CA law Re: no gasoline powered vehicle sales. Hybrid and electric batteries are expensive, use fossil fuels and rare minerals and can't sustain a charge for more than several hundred miles. We do not have the infrastructure (repairs and charging stations), not to mention there aren't even dealerships downstate, let alone a strong power grid to support it (I think we are among the most polluted power plants in the nation) as well as the expense of 220 installed in homes etc. I think it's preposterous. A sustained power grid issue could put us back to the 1800's within days. Focus on strengthening the power grid and cleaning up the plant. We are a retirement community, where the elderly do not easily understand nor are able to afford/embrace this technical change.

Our public transportation is severely lacking downstate and could be a method to reduce emissions.

We'd be better served supporting and fostering hydrogen technology in fuel cell cars for zero emissions. Toyota has spent a great deal in R&D in this regard. It's a much more viable option.

In a small state only densely populated in the North, this makes zero sense to me. Agriculture is still a way of life here, Despite the erosion of it with the explosion of residential development. Traffic is a nightmare in the summer. Let's strand folks who don't have a charge as they travel the eastern seaboard and head to the beach. Roads need improvement!

California might be ready, (and candidly it's why we would never live in CA) but DE is wholly unprepared and it's not appropriate for our way of life. We barely have infrastructure for emergency services. Fire hydrants have only recently appeared. Sewer isn't available everywhere. Emissions doesn't seem to make the priority list (at least in our current state.) I still remember (recent history too!) the inlet bridge as one of the worst in the nation.

My point, we have more pressing and important endeavors we should be focused on. This to me is a colossal waste of time and tax payer dollars.

Thank you,

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