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I have to state that I'm firmly opposed to an electric car mandate. The existing power grid is neither robust nor resilient enough to handle such a load, not to mention the frailty of power lines in weather events such as this past week. Electric vehicles may make sense in urban areas, but for those of us in the countryside, not so much. This doesn't even explore the carbon footprint lithium mining and battery disposal generate, not to mention the inhumane conditions in which many third-world miners live. I certainly do not choose to contribute to their exploitation.

So – let reality set in. Let individual people make their own decisions based on their needs, locations and beliefs. Government-driven mandates are **never** the answer.

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