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It is absolutely ridiculous to mandate something that has no proven track record as an EV. Here in the western mountains we don't even get enough sunlight to power solar panels.

Also, here in the western mountains we already have to plan a day, a whole day to accomplish trips "out of town" to go to appointments. Yes, sometimes a whole day, 6-10 hours.

It's a minimum of a 45 mile drive for most of us one way to see the first traffic light, then the numerous stops for the appointments, the grocery stops and more. Then to have to plan to stop and charge a vehicle in hopes we can make it back over the mountain to get home. And that's on a good day!

We have below zero weather, we have long stretches of road with no homes, or emergency stops, we have stretches of road with no cell service but plenty of wildlife to dodge.

Leave those mandates to California leave us alone.

Our SUV's are a necessity, they're not for sport, we need these vehicles to make it up over and through the pot holes, the dirt roads we live on. We need proven reliable vehicles to get us to and from work to pay the exorbitant taxes the state collects from us, those EV's wont cut it, not even the Pickup truck ones.

Don't try to fix what aint broke.

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