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While I am an avid environmentalist I believe the first priority should be making our electrical grid 100% renewable, (as of now its just about 50%. ) Once the grid is 100% renewable energy plugging in your car will actually make a difference. As of now, you when you plug in your car “fill” it you are using electricity produced 50% by oil. Maybe the first initiative should be to require maine’s energy suppliers to have their grid producing strictly renewable energy by 2027. Also the car requirement timeline seems extremely short and also, will Maine electric grid even be able to keep up with this transition? Maybe a less severe cut off. Maybe 50% of all sales by 2027 and 100% after that. Also does plugging in my car cost me the same as filling up my car at a gas pump? Or will it cost more to drive in this future? Also will this energy be taxed in some way? If not where will we make up the funds that are generated from a fuel tax? Also maybe Maine should think of a program where houses can opt in to solar panels on their roofs that would feed in to the main grid and reduce their electricity costs similar to states like Connecticut have implemented. i would 100% participate in that. Then maybe all of our fields will not turn in to ugly solar fields. I commend California for their forward thinking ideas, but I believe Maine can look at those ideas but make them even better!

Thank you for allowing these comments!

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