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Mitigation plan goals and overarching principles

Please consider placing at least one EVSE in every county in Washington. Even though the majority of non-compliant VW diesels are in heavily-populated counties, these vehicles will be operated outside of the county that they are registered. In order to meet the goal for use of Trust funds ("reduce emissions from diesel engines in the state..."), there must be a way to refuel alternative-fuel vehicles in ALL counties of the State of Washington.

Priorities

I agree with the priorities, but don't rule out the transformational possibilities for increasing EV usage in rural places by adding EVSE in every county. While an additional EVSE unit will get more usage in heavily populated areas, the non-existence of EVSE in rural areas must be addressed in order to permit all citizens of the state to operate modern, zero-emissions vehicles.

Mitigation fund allocations

I generally agree with these allocations but want to make sure allocation for Light Duty Zero EVSE is enough to deploy at least one EVSE in each county of the state to enable statewide EV travel.

Disproportionately impacted communities

Disproportionately impacted communities need the majority of mitigation funds but consider placing at least one EVSE in every county in Washington to enable state-wide EV usage.

Example: I own a electric vehicle and want to visit Ferry or Stevens county. If these counties do not have a single EVSE for refueling electric-vehicles, then the trip must be skipped or made using a fossil-fueled vehicle. It isn't practical to drive to areas without EVSE, any more than it is practical to drive a fossil-fueled car someplace that doesn't have petrol refueling.