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Rulemaking - Clean Vehicles Program and General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources

As a USN Submariner I was trained in critical thinking skills. Since leaving the navy, I have received additional training and taught Design Evaluation, Root Cause Failure Analysis, Quality Control, Power Plant Maintenance, Personnel Management and Decision Making.

Adopting the California model, or any close variant of this proposal will have dire consequences for the citizens of Washington State.

Although the full (negative) impact of this proposed policy extend well beyond the capability of this format, I will attempt to brief one of many pitfalls of the proposal.

Try for a moment to think of the overall economic, social, structural, infrastructure of human activity, to be a building. This building does not have one foundation, but rather, the "foundation" supports the structure while at the same time IS the structure. This "building" is comprised of all species; (human, animal, flora, fauna, and even mineral) and are intertwined together in a fashion where ALL parts to the finite level affect all other parts. This is the basis for all endangered species listings, not merely that a single species may be lost but the effect that loss will have on the world as a complete entity. At the same time, realize that this building was not designed by one architect or one builder, but what started as a cave thousands of years ago has seven into an immeasurably intertwined components. Of the current (and ever changing) design, the IC engine and the fuel requirements to support them are a foundational part of this world. Removing this foundational part will cause many other critical infrastructures to fail. "Byproducts" of the IC engine will also be damaged by suddenly removing this foundational piece. Propane (a byproduct of making gas for IC cars) is used to heat homes in rural areas with limited electricity delivery systems. Rural areas will now need a massive increase in transmission and distribution. Millions of tons of new overhead wires, power poles. Whose property will these go through? In cities with underground electricity delivery, whole sections of the city will need to be torn down for the new distribution system and the charging lots that will need to be constructed to support electric vehicles. School districts will have to purchase at least two to three times the busses they have now to transport children to schools as the parents can't afford to buy new electric cars. Paint, plastics, grease pipe etc are all results of the byproducts generated by the manufacturing of gasoline for the IC engine this proposal will destroy.

Far before the full intended effect of this proposal is realized, the social upheaval will damage the very fabric of our lives.

Rule by dictating to achieve desired results has never worked and generally efforts to such have resulted in destruction of the very social order it attempts to benefit.

This proposal (wishful thinking) is not realistic at any level, as my grandmother told me "If wishes were horses, beggars would ride".

This proposal is nothing more than a wish you may as well mandate that everyone ride unicorns. At least no one will have to die from cold or starvation with that law.