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How would the electrical grid support this transition? How would this affect rising energy prices already? The highest stress on the electrical grid is at night when everyone is home, so how would transitional 100% of cars to electric be support on an electrical grid that is almost maxed out as it is? Would you remove all gas stations from the state as well? If so, where would people get gas from? What happens during a storm when we lose electricity and no one has gas for generators? What happens if people are on a cross country road trip through WA state, would they simply no longer come because they do not have a place to fill up their gas?

From a simple perspective the electrical grid can't handle this transition as it currently stands. The Governor denied a study of the electrical grid, which makes it appear that he knows we can't support this initiative, yet wants to push the agenda anyways. Look at California, they are forcing the transition to electric cars, but now is telling people not to charge them because of the grid and the ability to support all the charging stations... that doesn't make sense. Aside from the electricity side of this conversation, what is the environmental impact for disposing of dead batteries once they have completed their life cycle? Recycling is a huge challenging domestically and the US has no guidelines in place on how to deal with car batteries that can pollute if not done properly.