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Like most Americans I am concerned about the environment. Each one of us needs to do our part to move in a direction that does the least amount of harm to our environment. Doing something is one thing but changing the way the country has functioned for over the last 75 year literally overnight makes not much sense. We have been able to keep this country moving forward with fossil fuels. It has been readily available and reasonably priced till recently. It might not be perfect or the cleanest but given the chance technology can continue to improve on the use of fossil fuels to make them even cleaner. The window of time that is being given to change is unrealistic. Way to costly for those of us seniors and low income family's that have limited budgets. I don't have the funds to go out and spend forty or fifty thousand or more to purchase an electric car when mine needs to be replaced. I drive cars that are 20 years old. Maintain them and will eventually purchase a newer car that is less polluting then the one I currently have. I can currently purchase a good used car for 5,000. This still is a stretch for me. It is well known that the electricity available and the transmission lines are running close to peak. California has been having trouble making enough power to take care of their residents needs and like them we want to make electric cars the only option to buy new in the near future is very short sighted and will hamper our state to function like it always has. Wind power and solar panels will not take care of the additional draw that going all electric will require nor is it able to throttle up when there is peak draws. No thought of where all the materials to make evs are being gotten from is being taken into consideration when moving forward. The vast majority is coming from china. Moving toward just electric cars and trucks is not making us less dependent on other countries and in the end the pollution that is being made to to produce needed batteries, transport among other things is adding to the pollution problem. China is a gross polluter and the biggest player in this new direction. They don't stick to the same clean standards as we do. If this is all taken into consideration it most likely negates all the benefits to the earth with the electric cars. I believe we need to allow the entrepreneurs to come up with solutions and stop moving forward with a fix all electric car. More thought needs to happen. Means to produce enough power and infrastructure needs to be in place before we put all of our eggs in one basket. Who knows maybe and entrepreneur will come up with a better way in the next couple of years.