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First of all the concept of an electric car being a zero emissions vehicle is a lie. Electric vehicles emit all sorts of emissions throughout the process of production till when they are demolished. The implication that carbon dioxide, which is essential to life is a harmful additive, but all the rare earth and alkaline mined refined, fabricated and then disposed are both toxic and volatile are earth friendly is ridiculous. They are more harmful. We delude ourselves because the real damage happens to people and countries that can least tolerate it. This notion is as silly as saying fentanyl is a health food and also quite frankly racist.

This is a bad proposal for several reasons -- economic, environmental, national security, and ethically.

Others can cite those reasons better than me so I won't dwell on them. The essential question is this board acting rationally, for the common good, or to further a misguided political end?

Hopefully you can discern that and disregard the emotional talk, the rationalizations and the pseudo proof.

I leave you with one other fact. For thousands of year the ambivient earth temperature rose. Sea levels were higher than now, the tropical regions more extensive and the frozen polar ones much more diminished. Then the ambivient temperature cooled to the extent that the land you're presently planted on was under a mile thick glacier, or at least just outside its bounds.

Ice lakes covered much of the northern states. Since then the climate has been steadily warming...for the last 12,000 years to be exact, with some minor slide back intervals of a couple of hundred years. All those millions of years of up and down climate change occurred without a single bit of human intervention.

The next essential fact is for the several hundred thousand years of humanoid species on earth, they successfully adapted to each cycle of change and did not go extinct...at least extinctions were not due to climate change...though evolution and adaption played key roles. Worth noting is the more silly notions people are bantering is humanity will go extinct because of climate change. There's a good chance humans will go extinct...but not for this and not in the next few years.

The final inconvenient truth is the more the earth warmed the more humanoid species benefited. In fact for the recorded mini cools such as the 4th century AD and the 16-18th centuries AD, cooling periods stressed humans. Economies stalled, cultures declined or perished. Not good times. Food production increased, peace was more prevalent, and population increased during the modern human era approximately 6000 BC till 2100 AD during the warming intervals.

Please show some common sense. Let people decide what works best. The other inconvenient truth is humanity does worse when they don't get along and even worse when individuals and markets are not free to choose.