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I approve of the intent to increase the standards for vehicle emissions. The climate is warming, its unhinged, and every effort to reduce our direct impact on this unfortunate disaster should be encouraged.

Quality of life for New Mexicans has also diminished in the past several years by the practice of increasing the decibel levels of motor vehicles, for example the Ford Mustangs and Dodge Chargers with V8 engines and modified exhaust components, are wreaking havoc on the ambient noise of our cities and now rural parts of the State. Wildlife disturbance due to noise has been recognized for decades [Busnel, R.G. and John Fletcher (eds.). 1978. Effects of Noise on Wildlife. New York: Academic Press] yet we have continued to increase our impact on the natural world every year since, and human environmental exposure to loud noise can also cause high blood pressure, heart disease, sleep disturbances, and stress

[<https://education.nationalgeographic.org/resource/noise-pollution/>]. We must also incorporate new mechanisms in our state to combat the increases stress our residents are living under as this problem continues to grow. Again, we are facing a crisis of quality of life, and so is our surrounding environment and ecosystems.