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EVs are still a very niche market. While progress has been made, there is still a long way to go toward a healthier environment with more EVs on the road.

EVs are cleaner than gas vehicles. While driving I'm quite cognizant of the number of gas cars around me on the road, idling at stop lights or traveling near me while commuting.

I live in Albany, and work in Corvallis. Living in Corvallis was not financially an option for us, thus the need to commute back and forth.

Public transit is not an option either as I would have a 1 mile walk to get to the closest bus stop, and then a 1.5+ hour trip to get to work, followed by another half mile walk. The reverse would be in the evening. This would be 3.5+ hours of my day commuting by public transit. Albany and Corvallis are not Portland. We don't have the ability for public transit and cars are needed for daily life.

The clean vehicle credit is important for allowing people the ability to get into an EV, and helps defray the cost of installing a charger at home or the increased cost over a comparable gas vehicle.

Please find the EV credit. Another option would be to remove the hybrid option and only provide the credit for fully electric cars and trucks.