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I support offering the incentive to commercial users of leaf blowers to buy electric equipment.

Battery-powered leaf blowers are a much better option than gas, as they produce fewer emissions. They are typically quieter than gas-powered models, making them a better option for noise-sensitive areas. I would much rather hear them in my neighborhood too. I use battery operated yard care equipment myself.

A gas-powered leaf blower can emit as much pollution as driving a modern car for 1,100 miles, according to a 2021 report by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). These pollutants are hazardous to human health and to the environment, as they can cause respiratory problems, irritate the eyes and throat, and contribute to smog