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Hello,

Given the urgency of the climate crisis, and our collective inability to take meaningful carbon-negative climate action beyond tree planting, it is imperative that we FULLY FUND fareless public transit with sub 12-minute-wait-times as a state. Public transit is proven to prevent personal ICE transportation vehicle miles traveled (VMT), which is critical if we are to survive climate collapse with our society intact. We must disincentivize personal IVE vehicle use by whatever means necessary, but require a robust public transit system so that individuals can feel more comfortable with not using their cars. This is not optional...it, much like the physics which govern our rapidly warming world, is absolutely inevitable. We are beyond the time which we can claim ignorance of our actions, and must immediately desist from using 2-ton personal vehicles which transport a single individual ASAP. Yes, this will be difficult, but is fortunately not impossible, with the political will, and adequate funding.