

Public Comment Nevada Fuel Resiliency Committee

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A few comments please:

Two Obvious Solutions: Increase supply, reduce demand

- 1) FYI there are a couple rail studies in progress that could impact fuel issues.
- 2) Support EVs and Charging Stations: Nevada seems to be trying to do everything it can to outlaw EVs. EVs and plug in hybrids reduce demand and help clean air. Currently EV charging stations are almost non-existent in rural Nevada. Those that exist are broken and vandalized. Believe me I know!
- 3) Untax and support E85. Fewer vehicles run on it but California subsidizes E85, NV taxes it to the max.
-- Pass a resolution encouraging the production of E85 vehicles
- 4) Yes 100% on pipelines from the east to Southern and Northern Nevada.
- 5) FYI: Washoe County has the Highest Gas Taxes in the Nation! Prove me wrong! Clark is not far behind. State Taxes coupled with County Taxes make up #1. The RTC5 gas tax is 47 cents and goes up every July (about 3 cents expected in 2026). Total gas tax in Washoe \$1.08 (RTC says \$1.05).
- 6) Outside our control but via resolution, encourage the Department of Defense, Department of Energy and President to support research into a refinery on California coastal US Military property (i.e. Camp Pendleton) for the production solely of military grade fuel for DoD purposes. The West Coast DoD is a major user of oil and that would take some pressure off the supply-demand with a new refinery likely outside state restrictions. There is also military coast land in the Ventura area.