

From: no-reply@caspio.com
To: [DENR-INTERNET INFORMATION](#); [Regynski, Barb](#)
Subject: [EXT] Comments concerning revisions to South Dakota's Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan
Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 7:55:16 AM

VW Mitigation Plan Revision Comment

Date Comment Filed:
04/07/2021 07:55:09

Commenter Info:

Brandon Johnson
1200 S Lakota Ave
Brandon SD, 57005

Email: Brandon.n.johnson14@gmail.com **Phone:** 6515871161

Comments :

I would like to provide my support for the increase in the Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan for electric vehicle (EV) fast-charging stations from 5% to 15%. Over the recent years there has been an increased push for tourism in the state of South Dakota along side increased interstate business. We have now reached a point where it is inevitable that EV is the future of both passenger and commercial vehicle travel. If we do not provide investment into producing accessible EV infrastructure our state (with it's large wide open spaces) will be bypassed for more EV friendly routes. As such, refusing to increase this investment will cost us in both the tourism and commercial arenas. It is essential that South Dakota utilizes the available funds to increase accessibility of our state to EV drivers through additional investment in EV fast-charging stations along I-29 and I-90. Therefore, I support the increase in allocation of Volkswagen Beneficiary Mitigation Plan funding of EV fast-charging stations from 5% to 15%.