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## VW Mitigation Plan Revision Comment

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**Comments :**

I have two basic comments: 1.) I know DENR are trying to remain flexible, but proposing the "ranges" in your Revised Plan leaves too much regulatory uncertainty. Since there has been much interest and many applications for funds from Category 9, Light Duty ZEV Supply Equipment, I recommend fixing this category at 15% (rather than saying "10-15%"). This would allow DENR to say a definite \$812,505 will be spent in two more rounds. This could be accomplished by fixing Admin at 10% and the 1st two categories (1 /6 & 2/10) at 37.5% each since there are many dollars remaining in these two accounts. 2.) My 2nd suggestion is the program for Category 9 should not just focus on installing DC Fast Chargers (DCFCs) that mostly benefit people who are traveling long distances across the state. DCFCs are very expensive to install and their operating cost can sometimes make them uneconomical due to the high electrical demand cost they incur. The capital and operating costs of Level 2 chargers are so much less. And there are many places, both in rural settings and even in urban areas, where all that is needed are some Level 2 chargers for people with EVs to use while they are at a movie or in a restaurant for several hours at a time. Thank you for your efforts to make this program better-suited to meet the needs of the people of South Dakota.