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## **Governor Makes Bold New Commitment to Zero-Emission Vehicles**

SACRAMENTO-- Governor Jerry Brown today signed an executive order committing California to get 5 million zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) on the road by 2030. [Executive Order B-48-18](#) also calls for providing \$2.5 billion over eight years to increase zero-emission vehicle infrastructure and continue incentives for consumers to purchase zero-emission vehicles.

The executive order calls for \$200 million a year for consumer rebates for electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles—including \$25 million for low-income consumers. The funding would come from the greenhouse gas emissions reduction funding (GGRF) created by the cap-and-trade program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The transportation sector, which includes cars, trucks, rail and shipping, accounts for about half the climate pollution emitted in the state, and about 80 percent of the local air pollution that causes serious health problems.

**Statement by Kathryn Phillips, Sierra Club California Director:**

“This new commitment to ZEVs is great news for Californians who want to breath clean air in their lifetimes.

“The executive order allays some fears that incentives to help purchase the new technology will go away before ZEVs are fully integrated into consumer demand. In other words, manufacturers and dealers no longer have any excuses to drag their feet.

“ZEVs are here to stay and they will become the common car in the near future.”

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