

# **SacEV News Flash**

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## **Drive Electric Earth Day Events**

#### Check these Earth Day events and sign up to attend

Drive Electric Earth Day is a national campaign throughout the month of April to share information about electric vehicles. In addition to being better for the environment, electric vehicles are more fun to drive, more convenient to fuel, and less expensive to operate than gasoline vehicles. Many opportunities are available for in-person and online events to talk about driving electric.



#### Join or Volunteer for Drive Electric Earth Day

Not sure how to respond to questions that you might be asked during an Earth Day event? Here is a good resource: **EV101**.

### **Earth Day EVents Ahead**

### **EVs at ECOS Earth Day**

**Date:** Sunday, April 24, 2022 **Time:** 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (PDT)

Where: Southside Park, 8th & U Streets, Sacramento, CA 95818

This is one of the region's largest Earth Day celebrations, with music, vendors, exhibitors, a stage with events, children's activities, and food vendors. We are looking for a cross section of **10 different EV makes and models** (A Model S Plaid is already secured and will cover Tesla Model S). We encourage you to come share your EV own

secured and will cover Tesla Model S). We encourage you to come share your EV owner experience even if you don't show your car. The more the merrier! This should be the best-attended cross section of people that we see all year in such a compact time frame.

Cars must be staged at South Side Park in Central Sacramento by 9:45 am on April 24 and be left until 4:00 pm.

For more information, contact George Parrott at **gparrott AT csus DOT edu**. You can also call him between 12:00 and 9:00 pm (916 752 7359. We thank you for your advocacy.

#### **Earth Day in the Foothills**

Date: Saturday, April 23

**Time:** 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (PDT)

Where: Sierra Pines United Methodist Church, 22559 W. Hacienda Drive, Grass Valley, CA 95949

In addition to EV displays, the event features:

- Three live music venues
- Local artists and vendors
- Nature photography classes
- Master gardener demonstrations and information
- Sustainable cooking demonstrations





- Educational and community organization booths
- Walking labyrinth
- Outdoor yoga, gi gong, and tai chi practice
- Earth-friendly activities for kids

#### **El Dorado County EV Event**

EVs will parade down Main Street in Placerville and then head to the Target parking lot supercharger location, where a booth will be staffed to answer the public's EV questions.

**Date:** April 3, 2022

**Time:** 11:00 am to 2:30 pm (PDT)

Where: Target Parking Lot, Missouri Flat Rd., Placerville, CA 95667



# Fire Destroys Ancient Redwood at Samuel P. Taylor SP

On March 24, a small fire killed an ancient coastal redwood tree at Samuel P. Taylor state park in Marin County. The tree, roughly 800 years old, 200 feet tall, and known as the Pioneer Tree, was one of only a few remaining old-growth coastal redwood trees at the park. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

As global climate change increases temperatures and drought conditions in California, forests are at an <u>increased risk from wildfires</u>. Electrifying the transportation grid is part of mitigating this risk.

## EVs Needed for SMUD Solar Car Race & Solar Regatta

We are seeking EV owners to bring their vehicles to SMUD's Solar Car Race and the Solar Regatta. Both are fun opportunities to interact with students and to share information about EV technology and benefits of driving electric.



At SMUD's Solar Car Race, solar-powered cars designed by local high school students compete in speed and design categories. At SMUD's Solar Regatta, teams of students design, build, and then race their own solar-powered boats.

The Solar Car Race will take place on April 20 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Cosumnes River College. The Solar Regatta will take place on May 13-14 at the Rancho Seco Recreational Area.

To volunteer to bring your EV, or to get additional information, contact SMUD's Suzette Bienvenue: suzette DOT bienvenue AT smud DOT org.

# **Upcoming Webinars**



SacEV brings you a list of upcoming EV related presentations. In case you missed one, we've added pointers to the recordings. You can also find this list on the SacEV.org website **HERE**.

### Join the National Electric Vehicle Association



When you join other SacEV members as national Electric Vehicle Association members, you are part of the national grass-roots community advocating for EVs in the USA. The national EVA is critically important to SacEV as it handles our administrative chores (tax filings, non-profit status, banking service, insurance, legal help, etc.) and provides value, such as webinars and the two nationwide events: National Drive Electric Week and Drive Electric Earth Day.

Your SacEV leadership team relies on these services, so we encourage you to join the national organization for the small sum of \$35 annually. You will also be able to keep current with the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of electric vehicles in our regular Current Events e-blog. This blog is full-color, available 24/7 on-line from your desktop, laptop, smartphone, or however you access the internet.

Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join <u>NOW</u>**. You may also send a check payable to the Electric Vehicle Association, c/o Guy Hall, 8325 Walden Woods Way, Granite Bay, CA 95746.

### More SacEV Events Are Coming Up

Check the **SacEV** calendar for the latest EV-related activities.

If you've missed a Newsletter and for more information about the Sacramento Electric Auto Association visit our <u>website</u>.







