

Governor Kulongoski announces expanded electric highway, grant



“The electric vehicle will change our lives for the better,” Governor Kulongoski told a crowd of about 50 people gathered at Medford City Hall on Wednesday, September 29. “It will be cheaper, healthier and reduce CO2 levels.” The Governor said he dreams of driving his electric vehicle to Jackson county, fishing the Rogue River while his car is charging and driving back with zero-emissions.



The Rogue Valley Clean Cities Coalition is pleased to join Team EV Oregon along with the Governor’s Office and ECOTality, Board Chairman Mike Montero told the crowd (above left). Board member Gary Hall (above right) said the new charging stations will pave the way for more electric vehicles on Southern Oregon roads. Board member Mike Quilty said the EV highway extension helps the coalition meet its mission of reducing dependence on foreign oil. Below, Michael Grubbs, electrical inspector for the City of Medford, plugs in the Toyota Prius demo car to the Blink Level 2 charger, which can “fill” the car in four to six hours.

