

# FLASH NEWS

MID-VANCOUVER ISLAND ELECTRIC VEHICLE ASSOCIATION

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## SPECIAL EDITION!

**We MUST stop this nonsense – appeal to all MVI EVA Members!**

**EV Bad News – Vandals and Thieves are trying to shut us down!**

***We're mad as hell, and we're not going to take it anymore!***



Qualicum Beach Civic Centre



Qualicum Beach Washroom Charging Station

Senseless vandalism is happening to our charging infrastructure. Destructive people are disabling charging stations by cutting off and stealing the cables that connect to our vehicles. Thursday night, March 19<sup>th</sup> was catastrophic. In these challenging days, repair will not be a priority and RCMP investigation will be low priority.

***Adopt a charger!*** In one night – 50% of the public EV level 2 chargers in Qualicum Beach were eliminated. I will be doing a regular citizen patrol from now on to check daily on the status of the remaining chargers, and suggest the rest of the membership pick a few favorite chargers close to home or work, and do daily drive-bys as well. Rapid reporting of further incidents may result in the police assigning a higher priority to these crimes.

EV charging cables are unique, and severed cables can easily be identified. We will be contacting scrap dealers to educate them in how to quickly recognize these cables and ask them to promptly report them to Police.

I am personally offering a \$50.00 reward for any information that results in the apprehension and prosecution of the perpetrators. That was matched by Qualicum Beach Councillor Adam Walker giving us \$100.00 so far - others are encouraged to pitch in. Police have limited resources.

***One for All and All for One, fellow EV people***

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