

Current Events

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6th period

Bus-size asteroid to zoom by Earth, ducking below satellites

This coming Thursday, September 24th, it is expected that a fairly small asteroid will be very close to earth. It is sized about the size of a school bus, 15-30 feet in diameter, and will be approximately 13,000 miles from Earth—significantly closer than the moon and many satellites. After passing by the Earth, it won't return back to Earth's neighborhood until 2041.

- Approximately how large is the asteroid? **The size of a school bus**
- Is the asteroid expected to be closer to Earth than the moon is? **Yes**

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California is ready to pull the plug on gas vehicles

Last Wednesday, California's governor, Gavin Newsom, announced a new plan regarding the sale of automobiles. He stated that the sale of gasoline-powered passenger cars and trucks would be banned in approximately 15 years (2035). This serves to decrease emissions while also boosting the electric-based car manufacturers based on California—namely Tesla.

- The sale of what is expected to ban the sale of in 15 years in California? **Gas-based cars and trucks**
- Which state plans to ban the sale of gas-based cars in 2035? **California**

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