



## **Coalition Opposing New Gas Stations**

**Thank you for being here!**

### **This is a peaceful, non-violent protest**

- Please be respectful to all those around you
- Please stay on public sidewalks, do not block pedestrians, and do not block public access to the 7-Eleven
- This is a protest against the proposal to build a gas station on this location
- This is *not* a protest against 7-Eleven or anyone working at this 7-Eleven
- CONGAS recommends that all protesters follow instructions from law enforcement and/or private property owners/managers; each individual is responsible for their own actions

Questions? Contact: Woody Hastings, CONGAS Co-coordinator 707-238-2298 [congas.contact@gmail.com](mailto:congas.contact@gmail.com)

#### Here are some chants for this morning:

- “Wait a minute, not so fast; We don’t want your stinkin’ gas!”
- “Hey Hey, Ho Ho, more gas stations? “Hella No!”
- “Which part of NO, don’t you understand? No more gas stations taking over land!”
- “We are in a climate crisis that’s no lie! Keep building gas stations, kiss the Earth goodbye!”
- “I can see a gas station right across the street! Build another here and you’re just adding to the heat!”
- “Ooo, Ooo, it’s getting hot out here, too much CO2 in the atmosphere!”

#### Background:

The Coalition Opposing New Gas Stations (CONGAS), a recently formed group whose mission is to stop the construction of new gasoline stations in Sonoma County and its nine cities, is currently opposing four proposed gas stations, as well as calling for a county-wide “pause” on the continued permitting of new gas stations in the face of the climate crisis until the old rules can be updated. This proposal at 43 Middle Rincon Road is the latest in a string of proposed gas stations.

At this particular location, there is an operating gas station across the street and more than ten operational gas stations within a five-mile radius. There is an elementary school less than 1000 feet away, contrary to EPA guidelines. This adds to the cumulative impact already posed by the existing station. Lastly, a family and a small business are being evicted in order to build the gas station.

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### **Here is what you can do...**

Contact 7-11, the developer, and the City of Santa Rosa. Tell them you OPPOSE this gas station proposal at 43 Middle Rincon Road. Here are some talking points you can use in your call or email:

- This gas station is not needed. There is a Chevron right across the street and over ten others operating gas stations within a five-mile radius
- An elementary school is located less than 1,000 feet from the project site
- Ask them to cancel any eviction notices as well as the whole project

#### **Call/email/write 7-Eleven**

1-800-255-0711

[media@7-11.com](mailto:media@7-11.com)

7-Eleven Inc., P.O. Box 711, Dallas, TX 75221-0711

#### **Call/email/write the Developer:**

[Tait & Associates](http://Tait & Associates)

Attn: Kim Barnett

916-669-1822

[kbarnett@tait.com](mailto:kbarnett@tait.com)

11280 Trade Center Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95472

#### **Call/email/write the City of Santa Rosa planner who is handling this case. Ask the city to deny the permit:**

Adam Ross, City Planner

(707) 543-4705

[aross@srcity.org](mailto:aross@srcity.org)

100 Santa Rosa Avenue, Room 3, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

#### **Write a letter to the editor to the Press Democrat:**

Email letters of no more than 200 words to [letters@pressdemocrat.com](mailto:letters@pressdemocrat.com)

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