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Mendocino Planning Commission

I am writing to protest the proposed 10 pump gas station on North State Street in Redwood Valley.

We have a gas station in Redwood Valley village to serve locals. We have another huge gas station at Coyote Valley to serve locals and travelers.

The area of the proposed gas station on North State Street is a terrible place for additional traffic. I understand that southbound traffic on 101 would be routed over the West Road overpass to access the new gas station on North State Street requiring a left hand turn.

Look at the accident records on the overpass and adjacent intersections. It is very congested. Has no traffic lights. I dare you to be there at 5:30 in the evening when it's dark in the winter and raining. All you see is glare from oncoming traffic. There are no traffic lights or street lights and it's hard to tell where North State Street intersection is. It is a very dangerous area to add additional traffic.

We are moving away from fossil fuels. We need charging stations not more gas pumps. In 20 years when this gas station is obsolete that space will be vacant and no one will want to clean up the underground tanks. No one will want to build anything of value for the community.

If you live in Redwood Valley and imagine what your grandchildren would benefit from it is definitely not another gas station.

The owners of this property have a horrible environmental and business record. They do not care about our neighborhood. They do not care about our County. Mendocino planning Commission I hope you do care.

Please vote no on this gas station.

Sincerely,

Cass Taaning  
Redwood Valley  
Sixth generation Mendocino resident