

Gas Station Ban Position 090621

The Sierra Club (Sonoma Group) position is that construction of new or expansion of existing gas stations should both be prohibited in Sonoma County. We support city or county ordinances that ban new gas stations and we support the CONGAS Model Ordinance: <http://congas.org/resources/>

Excerpt from the Model Ordinance:

The core language of any prohibition would be to this effect: “Effective immediately upon adoption of this ordinance, [name of city/county] will no longer accept applications for the construction of new gasoline stations, or for the expansion of fueling infrastructure at existing gas stations. This ordinance prohibits the construction of new gasoline stations or the expansion of existing gasoline station infrastructure in (name of city/county).”

This does not apply to any new gasoline station application which is complete at the time the ordinance is passed.