



13th Street Gas Station/Convenience Store/Car Wash

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I live on Livingston Mountain and regularly travel through 13th Street and 202nd/Friberg-Strunk intersection. I am writing to protest the development of a gas station complex at that location.

- 1) Traffic congestion: With the addition of Union High School and housing at the former Green Meadows site, the traffic volume at this intersection is very high. Adding a gas station complex will make traffic control even worse. Just traveling this road at the times Union High School starts and stops, as well as when "rush hour" occurs, will show this intersection, as well as 192nd and 13th, is already severely burdened. Backups can occur all the way to Ingel Road, as well as Costco. Roadway modification at 13th/192nd will not eliminate this problem.
- 2) Wildlife impact: With development under construction at that intersection, coupled with additional proposed construction impact, the wildlife area will be severely impacted. Wetlands nearby, as well as Lacamas Trailhead on Goodwin Road and Camas Meadows, host many birds and water animals. Light pollution from added development will impact their health. Recent alarming research regarding light pollution harm to wildlife is imperative to consider. Light and noise pollution will adversely impact single family homes in this area. The walls of the warehouse under construction opposite this proposed site will bounce light and noise right back on those homes, compounding the issue.
- 3) Camas city awards: Recent coverage of Camas city's near win of a national award is evidence of careful planning thus far. Camas is more than its downtown. Protect rural areas from sprawl, noise, and light pollution by denying this request for development.

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