

Protect Canillas

The Junta de Andalucía recently published a plan for a large Waste Recycling Complex and landfill dump within the boundaries of Canillas de Aceituno, behind the hamlets of Los Gomez/Portugalejo. When residents discovered the plan there was an overwhelming outrage with actions immediately taken to protest.



This complex will have different processing zones for things like metal, plastics, electrical machines, organic waste etc.

The Ayuntamiento of Canillas de Aceituno stated that the proposal is in a very early stage and no permissions have been given.

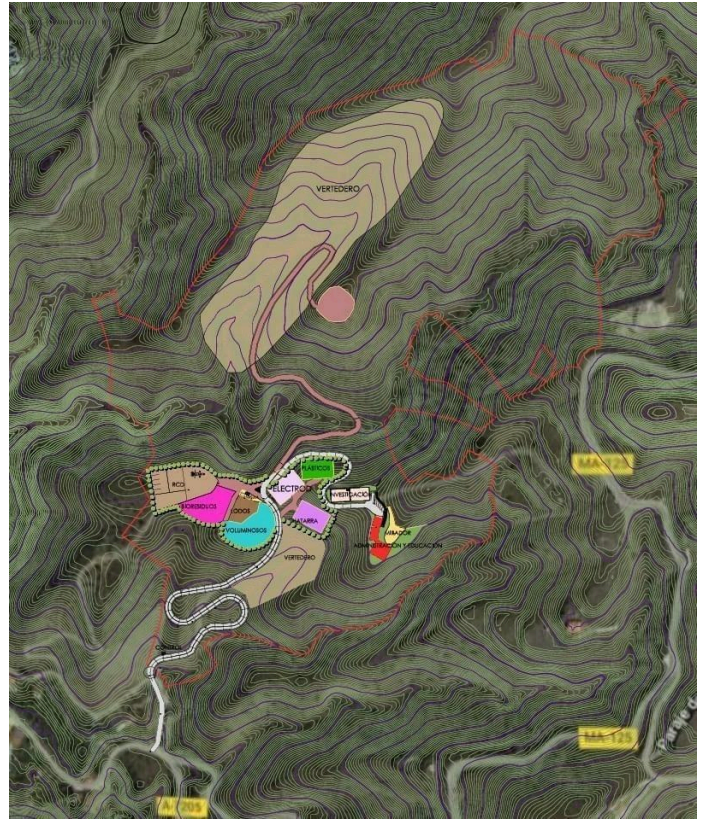
Landfill sites

Adjacent to the recycling plant is also an area designated for landfill. In addition to this, the illegal road will lead to an enormous garbage dump next to the road up to Canillas.

The proposal intends to literally fill this valley with waste from Málaga province.

The mysterious road built by a private company (behind the existing building waste/recycling dump) is part of the larger plan and will lead to the huge landfill site. No permission has been given for building this road.

The Ayuntamiento have denounced it but it is not clear what they will do to address this illegal action.



Next steps with our protest

1. We have until 5 Dec to make an objection with the Junta de Andalucía - residents are creating awareness of the plan and will collect signatures to protest and formally submit to the Junta.
2. If the Junta ignores our protest and grants permission to proceed, an environmental study will legally need to be undertaken. We can and will continue to protest at all stages of this proposal.
3. If somehow the environmental study concludes that there is no negative impact on our beautiful valley, the proposal will be submitted to the Ayuntamiento who will investigate the impact with their own experts.
4. The Ayuntamiento of Canillas de Aceituno will have the ultimate authority to refuse this plan if and when it is submitted to them by the Junta.

We object!

The large-scale destruction of this beautiful natural countryside will have a devastating and long term impact on our community, and the incredible wildlife we have here. The narrow local roads (A -7205 and the MA-4106) are unfit for any kind of heavy traffic and will pose untold danger to the local residents and tourists.

The proposed plant would introduce noise, emissions, dust and heavy truck traffic into the area, posing risks to the ecosystem. Residents have expressed concerns about contamination of the valley's water supply, loss of biodiversity, and irreversible damage to the region's delicate balance between nature and tradition. We can not allow this to happen!

What can you do?

Tell everyone you know and gather support to stop this. **Other protest groups have been successful in stopping similar plans in different areas, and we can too!** Sign the petition on our website and make your voice heard - scan the QR code www.protejacanillas.org **Think before you print!**

