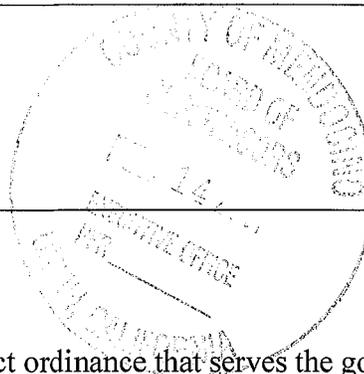


Kristan Ramos - resale of precultivated land

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Good Morning Dear Supervisors,

Thank you for taking a good amount of time to craft the perfect ordinance that serves the good of all.

The point I'd like to bring to light is that with pre-cultivation on TPZ and RL, the environmental impact has already been done. That producer should indeed be able to resale his/her land as a cultivation site, if the cultivation was determined to be done before January, 2016.

There is a subtle war between cannabis, ranchers, and timber. Pleasee keep a steady balance of the community values you need to imbue this ordinance with.

The thing is, it's personal. I warn you not to get involved with other people's or even your own ideas of "what's best for Mendocino". It is an individual effort that makes our county great, as well as a common goal that keeps us viable. Just be fair.

It is unfair and even a bit mean, in my opinion to take away the resale value of a farmer's land, especially when most likely, tens of thousands or even hundreds of thousands of dollars went into compliance efforts.

A timber company, a rancher, a cultivator should all be afforded the opportunity to buy the pre-cultivated land at fair market value, which would mean, it would be available for cultivating as well.

You all know that this is not an ethical decision. Let's not go down that path. But, if you would like to wait until 2020 I understand that. But, please do not treat our cultivators with such disrespect as to take away their land value. Some of these little farmers, their land is all they have for their retirement.

As with other resource based industry, we are dependent on the land to feed us. Timber and Ranching have their issues too. We know this as well.

I would argue that leaving a pre-cultivated site as a grow piece has less environmental impact than ranching or a THP.

I do hope your moral compasses are in the right place as many lives are changing and being crushed by the economic impacts of legalization and compliance efforts.

Make it legal to sell pre-cultivated land at market value so the new buyer may apply for permits.

Thank you for your time on this issue.

Traci Pellar