

I am writing in response to the County's proposed Commercial Cannabis Activity Land Use Ordinance.

As a land owner of multiple parcels in Round Valley for over 30 years, I am appalled by what has happened to our beautiful valley in the past few years.

The grows have increased in volume and so has a lot of their associated problems. Therefore I believe that restrictions on these grows should be extensively tightened and enforced and not loosened and turned over to the Planning Department.

The proposed change will eliminate the following protections we have in place with our existing ordinance:

- * The prohibition on new operations in the County's Rangeland Zone.
- * The cap on the size of the grow sites of 10,000 sq. ft. per permit
- * The 2-permits-per-parcel limitation
- * The protections against tree removal
- * The generator phase-out timeline
- * The protections against light pollution.

My family is currently having issues with the way things are currently on all of the above problematic issues.

The plastic, the hoop houses, the water trucks, the generators going all night, and frankly the greed is quickly ruining a place that's been mostly untouched for hundreds of years.

I urge you to pay attention to the negative changes in the past few years and do your jobs. Let's tighten the restrictions on these massive grows, not hand the responsibility over to the Planning department.

After 30 years of land ownership, we are seriously thinking of selling our Round Valley land because of the big new grows, but don't want to sell to a pot grower - which seems to be the only people now interested in settling here in Covelo.

Sincerely and Sadly,

Peter Walbridge