

Honorable Supervisors:

Do not adopt the proposed Mendocino Cannabis Land Use and Cultivation Ordinances:

- The existing ordinances aren't being enforced
- Mandated inspections are not being performed
- We have a backlog of growers whose applications have not been processed
- We are experiencing a severe drought
- We are experiencing a crime wave
- We need a county-wide CEQA review to evaluate surface and groundwater resources & cumulative impacts
- Our small legacy cannabis growers are being replaced by large corporate growers
- Our electrical grid is already strained
- We have more miles of road than we can maintain
- Our vulnerability to wildfires is extreme and getting worse
- Maintaining intact oak woodlands and rangeland protects people, soil, water, & wildlife
- Building hoop houses and other infrastructure on prime ag land degrades soil
- We need to promote local food production
- People oppose opening up rangeland and the 10% rule
- If you are uncertain about its popularity, put it up for a county-wide vote

Facing the uncertainties of climate emergency, Mendocino

County residents need insightful, long-range, creative leadership.

The proposed cannabis ordinances do not solve current or future problems.

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