

I URGE you to conduct and EIR of the impact of Cannabis expansion.

Also, where will the workforce come from to run these farms? There isn't a workforce available in this county to run even the small farms.

And if people want to relocate to Mendocino County to work on a large Cannabis farm, where will they live? There is already major housing shortage. People who live here now can't find housing when they are displaced by wildfires. People who have raised their kids here can't find housing because there is none.

Where will the people come from to work these farms? Where will they live?

If they commute, they take all the money they earn in our county, out of the county. None of their tax dollars go to our county. So how will this benefit us? Not to mention us small farmers who built this industry! This stands to upset the already unstable market and threatens to put us family farms out of business! Who do you want in Mendocino county? Corporate farms or real people who love this county and want to be as eco friendly as possible because we love the land we call home.

As a phase 1 legacy farmer who is waiting for the county on all fronts to be able to move forward toward my state annual license, I find it downright offensive that you would pave the way for big farms, while you call the existing system and cannabis department "a huge failure"! Since 2016, I've poured all of my money, time, and energy into becoming compliant. I am not the failure as I have done EVERYTHING required of me. For you to completely disregard our efforts is inconceivable and unacceptable. Fix the current system first! Focus on HELPING us small farmers who trusted you and your system! We were the first to jump in to this quagmire because we believed you were going to support us, not totally disregard us for Big Ag.

Supervisor Haschak, I applaud your intelligence and genuinely caring heart by being the only supervisor actually standing up for us. You are the kind of true leadership this county needs. I am so grateful you are on the BOS.

Please make the right decision! This impacts us all. Say NO to Big Grow. Small is Beautiful!!

Thank you,  
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