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To: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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This letter is in regards to agenda item 6a. We strongly support a Zoning Clearance for rangeland cultivators who expand their gardens. Given the requirements of the Water Board, along with the Prohibition on tree removal for cultivation sites, the additional layer of review under the Administrative Permit is unnecessary.

We would also further support removing the Administrative Permit requirement for expansion on FL and TPZ given the above mentioned restrictions and regulatory requirements.

We do not believe that these proposed policy changes would affect the Mitigated Negative Declaration, as the changes propose only a different level of review, not an additional, unaccounted for cultivation allowance.

As always, thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of your county!