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Subject: Extension of sunset period

Dear supervisors,

Woodyglen/Boonville Road and Deerwood residents fought an enervating and onerous 2 year battle to finally see neighborhood rights upheld and opt-out zones established to keep us and our families safe from the issues of crime, offensive odor, loss of property values and many other deleterious effects associated with commercial Cannabis production. Neighbors were not in favor of an overly generous 3 year sunset period, but that seemed the price we had to pay to reach the full support of the board of supervisors. Unanimous support was achieved at both the planning commission and the board of supervisors and we **assumed** that this agreement would be honored. Now we are learning that the agreement is apparently not binding and that our trust in our elected government is unwarranted. An extension to 5 years to cease Cannabis operations is ridiculous! If a transition can't be made in 3 years, why would the growers see it as doable in 5? How many more times will the goal post be shifted to violate an agreement and appease growers? Will we next agree to 10 years, in effect overturning an agreement democratically achieved and supported by neighborhood majorities of well over 90%? If this proposed change somehow reflects a particular need in the coastal zone, then it should apply there only. Do NOT make it countywide, thus violating the trust and good faith in all that went into a two year process which not only cost neighbors dearly in time, effort and anxiety but also cost the taxpayers dearly for the services a special consultant.

Please, supervisors, honor your word and the public trust and do **not** allow our hard earned agreement to be reneged on through grower ploys and subterfuge intended to dismantle and invalidate it.

Respectfully yours,

Robert and Emiko Taylor
Woodyglen/Boonville Road neighbors