## Dear Supervisors:

I cannot believe that the County of Mendocino would consider relinquishing their duty and responsibilities regarding the cannabis program. The people of the county voted for legalization as a way to protect our unique regional environment, our water and the natural resources we all value. We want to protect our mom and pop growers who have worked hard to meet our local requirements. It is irresponsible to consider making major changes when the existing situation is just finding its footing. Law Enforcement is making inroads in our complex regional situation and local control should be commended and appreciated. It is not a time for the County to ignore our local concerns in an effort to escape dealing with difficult issues. The scale and diversity of our County is unique. We see this magnified daily in our pandemic reports. Please do not go muddling with a program that was intended to work for us in our unique northern county.

Thank you,

Dee Mullen Covelo, Ca.