

Dear Board of Supervisors:

In response of the proposal to remove the Mendocino County Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance, I would like to voice my objections.

- The current Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance protects our oak woodlands by limiting the size of marijuana grows. The oak woodlands make up a delicate ecosystem that we must protect. Allowing larger cannabis grows could negatively impact our water supply, open space and important flora and fauna.
- Small growers with permits are following the ordinance and have spent much time and money to comply, be safe, while protecting the environment

Please leave the ordinance as is. At the very least do not make any decisions without carefully considering all the implications a change in ordinance could bring on. Every issue that relates to possible outcomes of a change in the ordinance must be fully understood and vetted in multiple public forums.

Thank you,

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