Dear Board of Supervisors,

The proposal before you appears to jettison the careful thought and comprehensive approach that went into the County's current cannabis regulations. Instead it proposes a use permit approach that will result in piecemeal and inconsistent decisions, and seems likely to undermine protection of the environment, including water resources and rangelands.

If there is any solid evidence to justify such a dramatic change in policy, it certainly hasn't been provided in a timely manner nor has it been subjected to critical public participation and review.

You Board members are elected and expected to set policies to protect the best interests of our County and its residents. Who will benefit from this proposed change? Is it either necessary or preferable to the adopted ordinance? What is the "problem" it is supposedly fixing?

At the very least, do not take action without first getting all the facts and allowing sufficient time for public involvement in the process.

Sincerely, Madge Strong