

Hello,

My name is Micah Anderson and I am writing this letter as a member of the Mendocino business community in regards to the counties future plans surrounding cannabis regulations. Cannabis has been a part of Mendocino's history and culture for generations and I am excited to see that the Board of Supervisors are taking another hard look at how the current county regulations are setup in comparison with surrounding counties and state regulations. I know this job has not been easy, but I do believe its imperative Mendocino takes immediate action to preserve the heritage we have here in this county.

The founding partners of LEEF have been a part of the cannabis industry in Mendocino since the inception of proposition 215. There have been some bumpy years going from Prop 215 to Prop 64 which have lead to polarized views of the local cannabis industry. Better defined laws have lead to better practices within the industry over the past several years which is great for all parties. To date, Leef has invested over 20 million dollars into building one of the most sophisticated extraction and distribution facilities in the world. We chose Mendocino because of its long standing heritage within the industry and the belief that Mendocino would remain the top producer in the state when it came to cultivation. We feel our business is being jeopardized by local regulations not matching state regulations therefor making it difficult and expensive to source raw cannabis material. We are the top producing extraction facility in the state at the moment and currently consume over 100 acres of canopy. For us to meet our current demand we would need ever bit of every licensed producer in Mendocino and then some because of the current cap at 10,000 sq ft of cultivation. We need to be able to produce this Bio Mass right here in the county rather than having to drive to other counties which are usually contaminated with pesticides.

Mendocino is in a position of losing its most valuable industry asset, cultivation, if we don't address the EIR within the county. It is our hope that through the process of addressing this issue, we can setup our county regulations in a way to ensure long term success. We support the idea of changing the local ordinance to reflect a land use approach. We hope there is a way to do this which will allow for expansion in the areas where expansion should be, while grandfathering in the current licenses holders who might be on land that can not support expansion.

Thank you for your consideration.

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