

Re: BOS Meeting on Jan. 25th, 2021 at 1:30 pm

Dear Mendocino County Board of Supervisors,

Here we go again...putting the cart before the horse and attempting to expand on bad ideas that do not solve existing problems. Is the "plan" really to create MORE problems for neighborhoods? Because ultimately this will be the result.

These are peaceful neighborhoods that have never had cannabis grown in the area; and/or neighborhoods that have overwhelmingly approved to protect their homes and properties from an influx of people that care only about themselves. You have many good people growing cannabis in areas that accept it, are comfortable with it, and are in harmony with the cannabis being grown in their neighborhoods. Expand on those areas. Work on bringing those legacy growers into compliance.

While you are doing that, please consider the balance and fairness to the non-growing community. What is being proposed is an action that would create serious problems between neighbors, and plainly ruining the quality of life in neighborhoods where the majority of people living there do not want cannabis in their area. Please consider the many neighborhoods that do not want the dangers associated with cannabis, the smell of it, or bullies that move into a neighborhood and have a "we are going to do whatever we want" attitude...especially when it has never been grown in the neighborhood.

We have been here before and are clearly upset to have to be back repeatedly to maintain the protections we have worked so hard for and already spent taxpayer money on to debate over and over again. This issue has been discussed far too many times by the public and the Board; it should have already been settled so that the BOS could be working on other important work that you do in our County.

How often do we have to fight to maintain the protections we've worked so hard to get? We are not requesting new protections. We are only asking to keep current protections in place. Please do not dismantle them.

We appreciate that the Board has consistently stood up for neighborhoods and ask you to do so again.

Sincerely,

Sue & Alex Anzilotti  
Woodyglen Neighborhood