

To: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

Re: GB Phase 4 Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance

April 5, 2021

I am asking that the Mendocino Board of Supervisors not approve of the Phase 4 Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance and place a moratorium on approval until further research can be done, public opinion sought, and an EIR performed.

This plan is just not sound. There simply is not enough staff management with one assigned manager to inspect the farms that already exist and approve the phase 1 permits let alone not to mention these impacts: the enormous amount of water that would be required that would diminish the already fragile water table used by people who live on these rangelands, the impact on county roads, destruction of trees, impact on animal and fish populations, usage and contamination of the already limited water supply, impact on law enforcement, and danger to county residents who live on rangelands.

I lived on a 30 acre parcel in Mendocino County for 18 years and moved because of the increase of marijuana grows near my property and the associated danger I felt from illegal grows. I have many friends who live on properties and they are moving away because of the increased grows, road traffic, wear and tear on the roads, 30-40 water trucks that go there daily and the threat to life and property that they experience.

Please do not approve this ordinance. We don't see any positive benefits from such a plan as it stands.

Sincerely,

Denise Doering and Robert Hudson