

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I don't understand how the Board of Supervisors function. You have witnessed firsthand how disastrous Phase I and II have been for production and regulation of cannabis and yet Phase III Expansion is STILL under consideration. You are only extending an emergency moratorium on it after receiving public outcry. What is it going to take for you to understand what is happening in Willits? Even without your stamp of approval, farms are being expanded daily, growers thumbing their noses at phases and permits.

It is my understanding that Sheriff Matt Kendall will appear before the Board of Supervisors April 12, 2021 and will attempt to answer questions about code enforcement of cannabis cultivation and production regulations. I urge you to listen to him. The cannabis industry has a stranglehold on Willits when "pending" permits are allowed to expand with little or no consequences from County staff, and blessings from the City of Willits as they allow water to be purchased from the City and trucked to numerous farms.

The mind boggles to think that you would even CONSIDER approving the pilot program for the production of hemp. Another foot in the door and, again, with no thought given to our limited water supply.

PLEASE stop the insanity before our entire area is completely [destroyed.as](#) Covelo has been.

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