

To the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors,

We have been residents of the 3rd District for over 40 years. In those years we have seen our rainfall drop year by year, from a high over 100" to under 40" this year. The springs in the hills dry up sooner and sooner each year. How can approval be given for larger and larger cannabis grows? Where is the water coming from? How can you give approval for something if the resources aren't there to support it?

Do you have a hydrologist on staff to advise on these matters? If no - why not! Who is keeping track of all the new wells going in? Are they metered? What about the neighbors whose wells dry up from the new deeper wells near them?

We don't understand why the Board of Supervisors cannot listen to the voters, when we voted down Measure AF. Why are the laws that are on the books now, not being enforced? The neighborhoods and subdivisions are changing. There are more big water and soil trucks on the dirt roads that are not designed for heavy traffic. We have friends that want to move away because of this. The peace and quiet is gone.

How can large grows benefit the County, when all they do is deplete a resource that all of us need to have in order to live? Will there be enough water left for the people who live here? Water is precious, we don't know what's coming. A drought will be rough for all of us. Look at Lake Mendocino, are we prepared? Another water using crop won't help!

Thank you for your time,

David and Linda Beebe