

Honorable Supervisors,

I am opposed to the proposal to allow and encourage increased cannabis tourism. I am opposed to expanding the use of private and public dirt roads to cannabis tours. I live on a county road that has two cannabis farms. The amount of traffic is now horrible and the maintenance of the road has not improved. This will only make things worse.

Increased tourism means more people in the county and those people need water to be here. We are already looking at limiting water usage in Ukiah and Redwood Valley. This is clearly an ongoing problem. Our roads are already too crowded and deadly due, in part, to the wine industry. Adding a lot of stoned cannabis users sounds like a terrible idea.

I am opposed to allowing Manufacturing Level 1 (Non-volatile) into Agricultural (AG), Rangeland (RL), and Forestland (FL) zoning districts. Especially if the Planning Department or the Environmental Health Department can't disqualify these permits.

The proposed amendments to section 20.243.060 focus exclusively on the established table the identify facility use types are permitted (or prohibited) in each zoning district throughout the inland portions of Mendocino County subject to Division I of Title 20 of the Mendocino County Code. Revisions include the allowance of Manufacturing Level 1 (Non-Volatile) into the Limited Commercial (C1) zoning district, and Distributor into the Agricultural (AG) and Forestland (FL) zoning districts. The changes to manufacturing are based on the similarity between Manufacturing Level 1 (Non-Volatile) and Custom Manufacturing with a major use permit. "Packing and Processing" is considered a less intensive yet similar use to a Distributor for cannabis as materials can be sourced locally and distributed after processing occurs. These uses are similar in impact but a major use permit will provide the required noticed public hearing and Planning Commission consideration to ensure compatibility.

Legalized cannabis is a double-edged sword. It is not making Mendocino County a better place for most of us to live in. I am not happy with what's here. I don't want more, I want less.

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