

April 17, 2021

To: Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

From: Jed Davis

Re: Agenda Item 3b

Dear Supervisors,

I would like to voice my support for the points made by the Mendocino Cannabis Alliance and Corey Hanna. The county MUST focus on figuring out a way to allow all phase 1 and 2 operators to continue to operate with continuity. Of equal importance in urgency is to find a way to allow the myriad of small, backyard farmers to participate in the the legal market. This would require lessening the restrictions that are in place which are keeping these small, family farms from becoming licensed and cultivating legally. By simply turning to expansion for the sake of allowing a very, very small number of large, well funded (with money from outside of the county) businesses, you will be choking out the life blood of our county's economy. These are the folks that got cannabis to it's current state. Turning your back on these people is not only ethically and morally wrong, it will continue to keep the black market thriving and transfer income from thousands of families to a small number of already successful, corporate interests.

It should be your highest priority to preserve the cannabis industry that has gotten us to this point and keep the cannabis revenues flowing into as many households as possible within this county. Allowing for and regulating the thousands of small cultivators in this county will eliminate the criminal element of the black market.

Limit large scale cultivation to 1 acre and find a pathway for ALL of the small cultivators in our county to become legal and compliant.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

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