Dear Board of Supervisors,

I have lived all of my 25 years in Mendocino County. I was born at my Dad's place on Bell Springs Road and lived there for my first six years. I lived on my Mom's place on Third Gate Road and now I live in Willits. I have seen the changes in the hills and around the towns brought about by the original cannabis cultivation ordinance.

I don't like those changes and I definitely don't want to see the kind of changes that would come from opening up our range lands to large-scale marijuana cultivation. Why you would even consider doing that given our ongoing drought and fire danger is beyond me.

I love my lifestyle here and I want to stay here. My Dad still has his property on Bell Springs Road and my Mom still has her sweet little home on Third Gate. We all live here because we love the rural lifestyle. The cannabis cultivation ordinance needs to be fixed, but we do not need large corporate grows. Send the current draft of Phase III back to the drawing board.

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