Dear BOS Members,

I do not support the proposal for opening up the rangeland to increased Cannabis cultivation. We are in a drought emergency and in Willits, we have a limited water supply. In 2014, we got down to a 30 day water supply. It does not make sense to open up more agriculture under these circumstances, especially with the increased fire danger.

I've had years watching the Eel River degrade, and common knowledge is that illegal grows are siphoning water and allowing fertilizers to accelerate the growth of the blue green algae.

It has taken a few years for us to come up with stable management of the Cannabis grows, and it is important to ensure the permitting process is occurring to deter illegal grows, and manage water resources without another main draw being added.

Respectfully, Kristin & Bret Fraser Willits