

SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPTING CHAPTER 22.18 – COMMERCIAL CANNABIS ACTIVITY LAND USE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 10A.17 – MENDOCINO CANNABIS CULTIVATION ORDINANCE AND CHAPTER 20.242 – CANNABIS CULTIVATION SITES

This ordinance is adopting a new Chapter 22.18 to the Mendocino County Code which will establish a discretionary use permit process for cannabis cultivation activities in Mendocino County. Under Chapter 22.18, all applications would receive site specific environmental review and the County would be able to conditionally approve project applications. Chapter 22.18 will replace the existing, largely ministerial Phase Three permitting process found in Chapters 10A.17 and 20.242 for all new applications; existing applications under these Chapters would continue to be processed. Chapter 22.18 includes a revised zoning table, which provides what types of cultivation permits may be applied for in specified districts, and what type of discretionary permit is required. Certain cultivation permits may be applied for in the County's Industrial zoning districts as well as the Agricultural, Rangeland, Upland Residential and Rural Residential (10 acre minimum) zoning districts.