

Salutations BOS,

I am writing to support both the MCA and Hannah Nelson's most recent positions on Phase 3 and 10.17A. MCA's lawyer, Peter Kiel, nicely sums up the reasons why the "embossed receipts", permitted but not State licensed Phase 1 and 2 are "invested" and the clear need to adhere to that when considering changes to our existing program.

Additionally, any expansion beyond 2 acres is ludicrous. It's simply not sustainable in our county, drought or no drought. Our aquifers are tapped out. There's a reason why this is a rural county and resources like water is a strong argument. Let us use this opportunity to fix the current program for the current applicants. Let us remember that even residents have water hauling needs. Some every year and some in emergencies like this current summer (I personally had three years in a row of water storage failures and had water trucked in). Let's go after the large illegal cannabis growers who are the true culprits. Add regulations that fine tattered hoop houses and lights at night but enforce it. Let us move forward seeking parity with all the acres of grapes that surround us, use our water, apply toxic chemicals, and ruin our views by removing all the oak trees at our own, backyard peril.

Thank you

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