

Honored Supervisors- I am a retired teacher in Covelo. I have a Tier i outdoor cultivation license and grow a small amount of cannabis for commercial sale. I am a member of MCA and Covelo Cultivators Advocacy Group. I support both memos written by MCA with reference to Phase 3 licensing and tax structure changes, not just because both issues will affect me and my business personally, but because I support and want to encourage legal cultivation in Mendocino County, if it is done in a responsible way.

I would like to personally recommend that the cap on acreage for opening Phase 3 be kept at 22,000 sq. ft, or failing that, 1-2 acres maximum, in line with the recommendations of your Planning Commission. Any more expansion than that will pose severe risk to our water supplies, even if done down on Ag. land. It would be irresponsible for the Board to open for more than this at this time. Please, please, do the right thing for the whole county. We all have a stake in our water supplies, and we all know it is a zero sum game as a system. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Sincerely, Tekla Broz North Fork Garden Society. Covelo