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# Public Comment - Group 3

**From:** SB Coalition for Responsible Cannabis <coalition4responsiblecannabis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2019 4:27 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** 8/20/19 BOS Hearing D-1 Proposed Changes to Cannabis Licensing Ordinance-  
Comments



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Dear Chair Lavagnino and Board members:

Below are our very abbreviated comments on the conceptual amendments you discussed on July 16, 2019, as laid out in the Board letter for item D1 at the Tuesday, August 20, 2019 Board hearing. We are utilizing the numbers as identified on Pg 3 of your Board letter, adding #6 for retail licensing.

1. **"CAP" for cultivation acreage:** Setting aside some questions about the way it was calculated, setting a limit of 1565 acres, PLUS the Carpinteria "cap" of 186, is a staggering thought. We urge your Board to do better. We, and others, have repeatedly urged you to do as virtually all other jurisdictions have done, and set a **cap on the number of acres per parcel** that may be cultivated. For most jurisdictions, one acre is the maximum allowed for cultivation, if a parcel is under 3-400 acres. Setting a cap on amount of acres **per parcel** would have the impact of reducing not only the overall total acreage, but the CUMULATIVE impacts upon adjoining or adjacent parcels. The need to reduce acres per parcel would seem the most logical way to also address the increasing concerns about impact on existing agricultural operations and established neighborhoods or adjoining cities. We heard some of you request "scientific" analysis of possible mitigation measures in your direction to the Planning Commission. While we appreciate that concept, we do not see the science in setting the cap based on the number of acres applied for by July 9, 2019. Instead, we would welcome an approach based upon geographic distribution, sensitive receptors, in depth analysis of community plans, etc.

It concerns us to hear staff somehow minimize the impacts we are experiencing in our community plan areas by citing a comparison with the overall acreage of cultivated ag crops in the County. Other than representatives of the cannabis industry, we do not hear anyone making those arguments or comparisons. There is a reason that cannabis was specifically excluded from "right to farm" protections in Proposition 64, as well as this County's ordinance.

2. **"EARLIER" Odor Control:** It was our understanding, based upon BOS direction at the 7/16/19 hearing, that the Board had conceptually directed that **"...by September 3, 2019 any legal non-conforming operation in the Coastal Zone must have odor control** to continue to qualify for the Article X exemption". The changes to County Code 50-8(b)(8) make reference to "cultivators currently cultivating" yet only require odor control during the "business license application review process". Perhaps there is another, parallel ordinance change being contemplated? Please clarify, as Labor Day is fast approaching and the need for odor control in the Coastal zone [and elsewhere] is urgent.

3. **PARALLEL PROCESSING:** Again, same comment as above; the parallel processing seems to be something that would benefit the applicant; it is unclear what benefit there would be to the community, unless the odor control is separately and more immediately mandated.

4. **ELIGIBILITY LIST:** This seems to be a change that does not have any bearing on improving or reducing the current impacts of the unpermitted grows or cumulative impacts of the existing and proposed grows.

5. **HEARING OFFICER/APPEALS-** We believe this change needs far more definition and clarification as to:

- a) what situations or land use processes would this Hearing Officer oversee and
- b) it is unclear if this expanded pool of "hearing officers" would come from the private sector as well as the County- and if so, what other potential conflicts of interest would be addressed?

Again, further clarification in re the need for, and proposed utilization of this expanded pool, would be appreciated. In fact, a dedicated page on the Planning and Development website laying out the various permit types and links to hearing agenda, would greatly assist the public process as over 150 cannabis project applications remain in the queue.

**6. RETAIL LICENSING:** We continue to urge the BOS to ***add a public review process*** to the proposed storefront retail selection process. The process refers to "community plan areas" and as the BOS knows, each of these community plans was painstakingly developed over several years and dozens of public meetings in the communities they represent. The introduction of marijuana retail establishments was never contemplated by the Planning Advisory Committees or by the communities they serve. So, at the very least, we urge the BOS to add a step of public review or comment before the final selection is made. To "randomly" draw a name is counter to the very painstaking, thoughtful planning that established the community plans in the first place.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments.

Sincerely, Coalition for Responsible Cannabis

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**From:** Anna Carrillo <Annacarp@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2019 4:51 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve; Adam, Peter  
**Subject:** Cannabis Business License 19-00652

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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Anna Carrillo  
August 16, 2019

On pg.3 under #8, I cannot support change #iv where it states that if an applicant holds a State Provisional Cannabis Cultivation license(s) and is growing cannabis, that the applicant will demonstrate the operation of their odor control system AFTER obtaining a final issued land use entitlement and during the business license application review process. The county must REQUIRE this as part of their land use application BEFORE obtaining a provisional license or at least as part of their provisional license. This is required in other locales. Odor Abatement was also listed on the original signed affidavits. This should be required NOW for all those holding State Provisional Cannabis Cultivation licenses.

I implore the County to modify the 186 acre limit in Carpinteria. The number in Carpinteria needs to be reduced - no more than 150 acres. Our area is too small to support this much concentration. As of 7/24/2019 there were 290 provisional licenses issued to cannabis growers in Carpinteria, this is 36.4% of the number issued to the county. With the new cap suggested for the inland of 1575 acres, Carpinteria Valley should have 11.81% of the licenses but Carpinteria currently has 36.4% of the county licenses using data from 7/24/19. Carpinteria Valley is so small and to have this much of the county cannabis cultivation in our valley is not equitable. On a 4 mile stretch of Foothill Rd. and Casitas Pass there are 230 licenses issued or 28.9% of the county. On Cravens Lane, a 1 mile connector between Foothill and Via Real there are 27 licenses or 9.3% of the county. These streets all have residences both living in the city and outside of the city nearby.

Unfortunately, the 186 limit is being presented as a working system. It is not. This number has to be reduced. Our valley is too small for all this amount of industrialization. The city of Carpinteria has recommended that this density is too great when some greenhouses are within 50 feet of residences and the greenhouses are adjacent to each other. There needs to be a limit on the number of licenses one can get or limit the amount of acreage that can be grown in cannabis in a location. The clustering of greenhouses in certain areas needs to be reduced. Next to some residential areas and the high school there are 5-6 different greenhouses. This needs to be changed! With new bans, buffers, higher level permitting, and the tailoring of what is next to the urban-rural neighborhood some of this local over concentration might be resolved.

I understand the difference in measurement between what the state licenses represent and what the county's permits measure in terms of structures. But with 19 current operators, and supposedly all having odor abatement except for 5-6 growers this situation is untenable. I know a conceptual motion was passed to have odor abatement in place by 9/3/19. On the placards for those currently growing there needs to be a 24/7 phone number of the person in charge.

Please look into changing the "principally permitted" use for cannabis. Cannabis is not regular agriculture and there are special rules for this crop.

Since applicants will now be applying for business licenses concurrently there needs to be a clear paper trail of their prior business practices before the nonconforming status was given to them. These businesses should now have to show proof of the amount of medical marijuana that was sold, including how many plants they had, income tax records, nonprofit status. There is no way that before Jan. 19, 2016 there were 19 different locations. These operations were not allowed to expand which clearly has occurred.

Please look into expanding noticing requirements to neighboring “developments” in the city that are within the 1000 foot distance and include everyone residing in that development. These developments are just like EDRNs and RNs in the county, but happen to be in the city.

Thank you,

Anna Carrillo

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**From:** Gregory Gandrud <Greg@gandrudfinancial.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 16, 2019 10:01 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** Amendments to the Cannabis Business License 19-00652

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Dear Members of the Board,

If cannabis is to be grown directly adjacent to homes and other sensitive receptors, it should only be grown in a completely closed environment (not in a greenhouse that "breathes"). Any air that is released must be scrubbed with carbon filters.

There is a huge misconception that this is all about odor control. It's not. It's about clean air. My husband suffers from asthma that is made much worse by the terpenes from the cannabis and from the vapor phase odor control system. The Byers system has never been tested on humans. It has only been tested on rats for a four-hour period. [http://www.byers-scientific.com/assets/bsm---cpf-memo-health-assessment-12\\_8\\_20172.pdf](http://www.byers-scientific.com/assets/bsm---cpf-memo-health-assessment-12_8_20172.pdf)

Aside from air quality issues, the permitting process must adequately address the impacts from excessive density, demand for parking, noise, traffic. There should be buffers between cannabis operations and other sensitive receptors. Traditional agriculture must be allowed to continue traditional applications of pesticides. It is the cannabis industry that needs to adapt itself to the built environment, not the other way around.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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**To:** sbcob; Adam, Peter; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve; Hartmann, Joan  
**Subject:** august 20 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 50

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Dear Chair Lavagnino and Honorable Board Members

Section 4 establishes the cap set for AG II and AG I >20 acres of 1565. This made sense as a first step to pause the explosion of cultivation applications, but is totally insufficient to meet the needs of county residents and agriculturalists.

The cap will **perpetuate** the problem of **overconcentration** of cannabis operations and **cumulative impacts** on agricultural uses especially in the area west of Buellton. Of the 450 acres west of Buellton immediately south of hwy 246, there are applications for 143 acres of cannabis cultivation – if approved, **almost one third** of this area will be in cannabis cultivation. Looking at the larger area of properties on 246 and Santa Rosa Rd in the area from Buellton to Santos Road, there are applications for 556 acres of cultivation – fully 37% of the current cap.

This over concentration will have **huge impacts on agriculture.**

- Ag properties both within and near this area will not be able to have licensed insured applicators apply most pesticides resulting in crop damage and financial loss.
- Farmers will not want to rent land anywhere near this area leaving ag land vacant and owners losing money.
- Wineries near this area will cease to operate since you can't taste wine if you are smelling cannabis. This will result in a loss in tourism to the Valley and TOT to the county.

A cap of 5 acres or 5% of a parcel, whichever is less, would reduce this concentration. With required CUP's, the county could help prevent cannabis cultivation from impacting food ag and ensure smaller growers will be able to enter the market – which the current cap prevents. One way to protect ag is to have many small grows to supplement ag incomes.

Such a per parcel cap would still be more than what most counties in the state permit, but it would allow the industry to thrive while protecting residents and other farmers.

This Amendment offers an opportunity fix the original ordinance. This industry may promise tax dollars, but as written, the ordinance governing it is changing the nature of our wonderful county and not for the better.

**Please add per parcel caps to the total cap – it's the right thing to do**

Thank you for your consideration,  
Sharyne Merritt, farmer

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**From:** Susan Mailheau <susan.mailheau@gmail.com>  
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**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** Meeting of Tuesday August 20

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Dear Commissioners,

I want you to know that your permissive decisions in granting an overwhelming number of Cannabis permits and licenses in Carpinteria and the surrounding parts of the County have greatly affected many. You already know this, yet you persist in granting more permits.

This has effectively robbed my husband and me of the life we dedicated over fifteen years to build. We searched three states during these fifteen years for the right location to eventually retire, then within two years of selecting Carpinteria and purchasing our house, you destroyed our dreams.

And it is not even the stench alone, or the allergy symptoms that simultaneously arose with it that greatly troubles us. It is the rank attitude of the growers, saying "we are here to stay - like it or not."

If you must allow them to take over our valley, at least require them to plant perimeter trees to sequester carbon, thus doing something beneficial please.

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**From:** Terry Kleiman <terry.kleiman@gmail.com>  
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**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** cannabis cultivation

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I cannot get to your upcoming meeting in Santa Barbara, but I want to register my support for the proposals put forth by WE Watch. I support cannabis cultivation but it needs careful, thoughtful regulation so as not to spoil what is so special about our county - and in particular the Santa Ynez valley where I live.



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**From:** Judith M. Stauffer <rjshow@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 18, 2019 5:38 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Public Comment on Item 1 Hearing, Licensing Commercial Cannabis Operations Ordinance  
**Attachments:** Board of Sup letter 81819.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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SB County Clerk,

Please be sure my letter gets in Public Comment on Item 1 hearing, Amendments Chapter 50, Licensing Commercial Cannabis Operations Ordinance.

Thank you,

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August 18, 2019

Santa Barbara County Supervisors  
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Dear Chair Lavagnino and Honorable Supervisors,

I am writing regarding the SB County Board of Supervisors hearing on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 during which time you will further consider regulations on licensing commercial cannabis operations.

As a resident of the Santa Ynez Valley, I am grateful that the Board of Supervisors has safeguarded AG-I, 20 acres or less properties from cultivating cannabis.

However, I am concerned about the proposed cap set for AG-II and AG-I > 20 acres that would permit 1,575 acres of overall cannabis operations in the inland areas of Santa Barbara County.

I believe this amount of acreage is excessive and problematic to our valley communities, residents and other agriculturalists for the following reasons:

- If approved, 21 of the inland cultivation applications already in the pipeline would account for approximately 1/3 of the proposed 1,575 acres;
- These 21 applications are all west of Buellton on Highway 246, including Drum Canyon and Mail Road, and Santa Rosa Road.

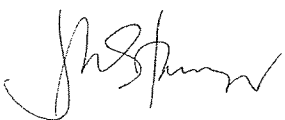
While it is absolutely critical that the County has an overall cap on the acreage under cannabis cultivation, **it is equally critical to cap the amount of cannabis cultivated on each parcel and require CUPs.**

- Setting a cap on total acreage without setting a cap on acres/parcel will exacerbate the problem of over-concentration of cannabis operations as well as the cumulative impacts on communities, residents and on other agriculture uses that are permitted under the Right to Farm Ordinance;
- Along with a required CUP, there would be less negative impact on food agriculture, wineries, communities, and nearby residents.

I respectfully request that the Board: **1) lower the cap on the total acres of cannabis cultivation in the inland areas to not more than 1,000 acres; 2) require a CUP on AG-I, 20 acres and above, as well as on AG-II, and; 3) place a cap of 3 acres or 3% of a parcel, whichever is less, to reduce the concentration of cannabis operations and cumulative impacts.**

Even with these reductions, Santa Barbara County would still be more attractive to the cannabis industry than elsewhere in California. What's more, Santa Barbara County would be protecting its other agricultural industries, property values, tourism and the TOT and other tax revenues they bring.

Thank you,



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**From:** Gail Herson <devesi@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 18, 2019 10:57 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Adam, Peter; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** 8/20 BOS Hearing D-1 Proposed Changes to Cannabis Licensing Ordinance

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Dear Board Of Supervisors,  
Here are few things I hope you will consider as you evaluate D-1 proposed changes to the Cannabis Ordinance.

1. Density is currently far to high. Please set a cap on the number of acres per parcel that may be cultivated. This will have the impact of reducing the overall total acreage in the cumulative impacts upon adjoining and adjacent parcels. For most jurisdictions 1 acre is the maximum allowed for cultivation of a parcel under 3 to 400 acres.
2. Please implement Odor control by September 3, 2019 on any legal nonconforming operation in the Coastal Zone.
3. Regarding parallel processing I don't see what the benefit is to the community unless the odor control is separately and more immediately mandated.
4. The change to the eligibility list will likely not improve the situation.
5. Please clarify and re-define the hearing officer/appeals changes. While I recognize the need for speeding up the process we want to be sure the public interests are served and conflicts of interests are avoided.
6. Please add a public review and comment process to the proposed storefront retail selection process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Gail Herson  
Carpinteria

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**From:** Len Fleckenstein <lenfleck@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 18, 2019 11:16 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** BOS Hearing on Cannabis Cultivation

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To Board of Supervisors, Santa Barbara County

As a Santa Barbara County resident, I am expressing my concern about cannabis cultivation in the Santa Ynez Valley. When you meet on August 20<sup>th</sup>, I strongly request that you require:

1. A cap on the total number of acres allowed County-wide for cannabis cultivation, specifically less than 1,500 acres, including the existing cap in Carpinteria Valley. There is already enough cannabis being grown in SB County!
2. A cap on the amount of cannabis cultivation allowed on any single property anywhere in the County; e.g., don't allow more than 5 acres of cannabis cultivation on any parcel - - or no more than 10% of parcel size, whichever is smaller.
3. Conditional Use Permits on properties zoned AG-1-20 and above, and likewise on AG-II properties. People need to be aware of what is planned for our communities.
4. Prohibition on cannabis cultivation near homes, schools, wine tasting rooms, and other agriculture that could be influenced by cannabis odors or by chemicals used in cannabis cultivation.
5. Mandate that the growers form a group to collect the plastic used for hoop houses, in order to properly dispose of that plastic before it becomes micro particles blowing across the Santa Ynez Valley.

Please get control of this growing crisis which is an economic, environmental and health threat to Santa Ynez Valley residents.

Sincerely,

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**From:** fnemerson <fnemerson@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 9:20 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** WE Watch letter for BOS 8/20 meeting  
**Attachments:** WEWBOSletter82019.docx

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Good morning,

Please include the following letter in the Public Comment for Hearing Agenda Item 1. Cannabis Cultivation.

Thank you.

Nancy Emerson

*WE Watch, P.O Box 830, Solvang CA93463*

August 17, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Nancy Emerson, President, WE Watch  
RE: Cannabis Cultivation, Hearing Agenda, Item 1



Thank you for your efforts to provide some limits to cannabis cultivation. **These begin solving the following problems** discovered from indoor and outdoor cannabis grows in the Carpinteria Valley, Cebada and Tepusquet Canyons and the western Santa Ynez Valley:

1. Offensive odor; Mixed light cultivation odor only masked; Reported health problems due to air quality
2. Activities too close to neighbors.
3. Too many acres planted; Too many grows close together.
4. Security methods threaten neighbors; Traffic volume too high for roads.

Still, without the following regulations, these factors plus certain meteorological conditions make coexistence with neighbors, tourists, wineries/tasting rooms and other agriculture nearly impossible.

We support capping the number of acres countywide in cannabis cultivation. A cap is critical to prevent over-cultivation. It is necessary to provide breathing room to learn how well added controls work.

But 1,755 acres was arrived at because July 9 was date when you proposed the cap. The question of whether or not coexistence is possible if the cap is 1,755 acres was not discussed. For example, what will happen if 500 acres in our Valley west of Buellton are approved? The figure, if based on wise land use policy, will probably be less than 1,755 acres.

In addition we need two more actions as soon as possible if there is to be any hope for coexisting with cannabis in the Santa Ynez Valley and elsewhere in the County.

**1. A cultivation cap per property countywide.** It will help control air quality/odor problems, especially with outdoor cultivation. This is needed on both AG-I and AG-II.

The Santa Barbara County Vintners researched limits on caps on maximum cultivation per property in 10 comparable CA counties. Range was: **Indoor**, 10,000 sq. ft. – 10 acres; **outdoor** 10,000 sq. ft - 2 acres. Three prohibited it completely. Utilizing the Vintner's research, develop a formula with a cap on maximum cultivation per property or a % of acreage of each property, whichever is less.

**2. For AG-1 and AG-II, a CUP or design of a less expensive, equally effective tool** with the right of appeal to the Planning Commission. This will protect neighbors' homes, wine tasting and other agriculture, which cannot exist without some distance from cannabis grows.

If these multiple solutions do not seem feasible and significant problems remain unsolved, then the only cultivation alternative may be a sealed environment. It is economically feasible and would solve 90% of the above problems.

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**From:** anna bradley <annaberit@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 10:14 AM  
**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** [DO NOT CLICK, Likely malicious content, contact your Departmental IT] Cannabis

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Dear Supervisors,

Hoping my letter is not too late for the meeting tomorrow. I cannot attend. I would attend and would be wearing bright red. Please can we just control the existing cannabis operations before adding new permits? EVERY DAY our neighborhood above foothill in the La Mirada estates is filled with cannabis odor. I fill out the forms to complain, I get the same answers. Wait till permitting before anything can happen. Please consider the residential properties (and most importantly schools) and those that live there that cannot escape the impacts.

Please can we not halt issuing permits until we fix the existing problems? The density of growing in the residential area is more than the community can support.

Thank You  
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**From:** Puck Erickson <cpe@arcadiastudio.com>  
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**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis Cultivation

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To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to support the following policies regarding cannabis cultivation in the Santa Ynez Valley:

- Adoption of a cap on the total number of acres of cannabis cultivation allowed countywide that is no greater than 1,575 acres + Carpinteria cap. I have watched the production explode beyond anyone's expectations. It is clear that the County was not prepared to handle the impacts or unintended consequences. I am truly not casting dispersions but simply making an observation; time is clearly needed for more careful review and well considered planning measures that are fair to all sides.
- As part of further future controls, I would ask the Board to consider placing a reasonable acreage cap on properties within the Santa Ynez Valley and Lompoc and Santa Rosa corridors. I cannot speak for other areas as they are out of area of experience and expertise.
- As someone who has been involved with the wine industry since 1975, I have seen first hand the development of planning criteria and environmental review for both cultivation and wine production. I believe it is only fair that all cannabis operations go through protocols and permitting similar to the wine industry based on the impacts and concerns peculiar to cannabis cultivation and production. I think it is only reasonable that the Board require CUPs on AG-1-20 and above and on AG-II as a way to determine the impacts to adjacent homes, agriculture and wine tasting facilities that have met and adhered to development and environmental standards set by the County and CEQA.
- I have spent much time and energy on maintaining the scenic corridors of the Santa Ynez Valley. We have begun to see over the last few decades a valuable synergy [both in terms of tax dollars and local identity] between the evolution of vineyards, organic farms, olive production, etc.. As part of the development of cannabis cultivation, I would ask that scenic view sheds be considered and mitigation required to minimize the severe visual intrusion of the hoop houses. I know this is an ag issue but further analysis should be considered.
- I want to support the opinion that unless measures are taken quickly, the only farming left will be cannabis. As we know one of the basic lessons of life is that monoculture of any kind is fragile at best and far from resilient....or as my Grandmother said, 'Don't put all your eggs in one basket.' Without intervention immediately, I am afraid this is where we are headed.

Sincerely,

Puck Erickson Lohnas

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**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis Impact on SYV

**Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.**

I am a resident of Solvang and want to express my growing concern regarding the planting and cultivation of Cannabis within our valley. I applaud the ban on granting license to parcels 20 acres and less, but in reality this then opens the door for cultivation of larger plots of AG land.

I worry about the impact it will have on quality of life, tourism and the wine industry. I hope that preserving a beautiful valley with world class wine and tourism takes priority over greed. Who wants to see acres of hoop houses, surrounded by barb wire and armed guards, not to mention the stench of this plant when cultivated.

Please also realize that for every comment you get there are thousands of people who feel the same way but do not comment. Maybe take a survey of residents to see how many support planting of weed.

I believe the government is supposed to reflect the will of the people, not big business.

Thanks

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***Michael Chadsey***

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**From:** Peggy Brierton <pbrierton1@yahoo.com>  
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**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis Ordinance

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Dear Chair Lavagnino and Board Members,

I support the total cap of 1565, however, it is only a beginning. It does not help to protect agriculture, residents or our valley.

Our western gateway to the Santa Ynez Valley is threatened by industrial size cannabis development, including 25 sea trains in one parcel alone.

Santa Rosa Rd and HWY 246's over concentration of cannabis cultivation and operations is a serious problem and one that was not considered when this ordinance was first being discussed. I am very concerned about our agriculturalists. Losses are real and getting worse.

Reduce the concentration by placing caps per parcel, 5 acres or 5% of a parcel, whichever is less. This is more than other counties in California. It still may be too much, depending on certain properties proximity to rural boundaries, EDRN's, existing agriculture etc. This is why a CUP for AG-2 and Ag 1> 20 is important.

We need more protect for our urban/rural boundaries. The City of Buellton is already feeling the negative impacts in odor. We need greater setbacks.

This is an opportunity for you to fix the Ordinance.

I support;

- The overall county cap of 1565, (plus Carpinteria's cap).
- Addition of per parcel caps to the total caps.
- CUP for AG 2 and Ag 1>20.
- 1 mile minimum setback from urban/rural boundaries.

Peggy Brierton  
Buellton Resident

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**From:** Peter chandonnet <berwynpet@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 11:23 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Appeal to deny cannabis growing @988 Friendenborg Rd in Solvang

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This is a resounding PLEA for you NOT to allow cannabis growth @ 988 Friendenborg Rd in Solvang. It would bring with it nothing but headaches and misery along with changing

the entire character of Solvang. There is not one of you who will decide this issue who would want to live near or next to it like we would. Please exercise thoughtfulness when deciding.

And why should thousands of Solvang residents suffer to stuff the pockets of one land owner??

Thank you for serving.  
Peter Chandonnet  
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Solvang, Ca 93463

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**From:** Mary Jane Edalatpour <maryjaneedalatpour@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 11:25 AM  
**To:** sbcob; Adam, Peter; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve; Hartmann, Joan  
**Subject:** August 20 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 50

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In addition to a cap on total acreage for cannabis cultivation we need per parcel caps of 3 acres or 3%, whichever is less. This would lessen the issue of over concentration and cumulative impacts while permitting a robust industry.

Mary Jane Edalatpour  
Santa Rosa Road  
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**From:** linda smith <lindasmith4272@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 11:29 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** August 20, 2019 meeting, Cannabis restrictions

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Dear Supervisors Hartmann, Hart, Adam, Williams and Lavagnino,

First, I must thank you for all the difficult and important work that you do for the benefit of Santa Barbara County and all of our communities.

Please move forward on putting a total cap at 1,794 acres or less to protect our valuable agriculture activities, our communities and our rural neighborhoods that existed before these other considerations. You can always increase the cap in the future but you won't be able to make changes once allowed. Hoop structures are a blight and an environmental concern and a cap will allow time for a better environmental impact analysis.

I agree with Supervisor Hartmann's statement "...gives us some time to look at other conflicts rather than create new conflicts..." and that a cap on total acreage will "...give the county an opportunity to catch up on enforcement".

Please, also, as a minimum, require CUPs on AG-I-20 and above and on AG-II. These properties exist close to communities, rural neighborhoods and are right up against Solvang's city boundary as well as Santa Ynez's. Ag-II-40s that are on Solvang's border also comprise the view shed for the Mission Santa Ines as well as the State Park's Mills site and the whole Mission Santa Ines Historical Landmark District. A designated cuff of land or border around the Santa Ynez Valley Community Plan district could accomplish the needed protection in a different way (as a zone for no cannabis cultivation).

I also request protection by cap limits per individual properties countywide. The blight, environmental impact and odor impact on other properties, agriculture activities, and rural residences are too little understood and having a negative impact already. For years many have invested their lives and livelihood in these other activities.

I feel that commercial cultivation of cannabis can do great harm to individual landowners and to communities, especially here in Solvang where the economy of the city as well as many businesses owners is largely dependent upon tourism. For that reason I greatly thank you for what you accomplished at the July 9th meeting.

Thank you for your consideration,

Linda Smith,  
Solvang resident

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**From:** Robert Hudson <rhudson127@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 12:53 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Item 1 Hearing, Amendments Chapter 50, Licensing Commercial Cannabis Operations Ordinance

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Hello,

I cannot attend tomorrow's hearing but am writing to urge implementation of a total overall cap on cannabis production.

Thank you.

Robert Hudson  
625 Oak Ridge Road  
Solvang, CA 93463



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**From:** Susan Williams <susan@wanderingdogwinebar.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 2:36 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** BOS hearing 8/20 Item 1

**Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.**

To: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Re: Item 1 Hearing, Amendments Chapter 50, Licensing Commercial Cannabis Operations Ordinance

I support the proposed cap on overall cannabis cultivation that includes both AG-1 and AG-II parcels. Regulations need to be in place to protect and maintain the ambiance, atmosphere and air quality of the County.

Best regards,  
Susan Williams  
1951 Viborg Rd  
Solvang, CA 93463

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**From:** Maia <Maia@impulse.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2019 2:40 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Comment to Board of Supervisors for this Tuesday's Meeting, 8/20/19, ITEM: D-1

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TO: County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors

RE: Public Meeting, August 20, 2019

Specifically, item D-1, page 10 of Agenda concerning the most essential values called for in determining guidelines for operating a Cannabis Dispensary in Isla Vista

FROM: Maia Maia, Isla Vista resident for more than 40 years

Dear Supervisors, I've lived here in IV since 1973 raised my son and daughter here, and am a UCSB alumna. I've taken an active part in the formation of several key institutions such as the Isla Vista Medical Clinic, Isla Vista Food Co-op, Isla Vista Recreation and Park District, and more recently, the Isla Vista Community Network and Community Building Project, as well as a volunteer in food programs for hungry and houseless folks for many years.

I well know concerns of all sorts will be coming before you in making this difficult decision on behalf of the community of Isla Vista. But like you, my primary and overall concern is for the well-being of the people of Isla Vista, and the Community itself which has come together in creative and healing ways since the tragic deaths of students not so many years ago: we have sponsored into being and shepherded increased and more various human services for permanent residents and students alike. I want to see any Cannabis dispensary become a participant in this kind of overall community vision.

Because of this, I ask that you choose an organization to operate a Cannabis dispensary which has already been working in a community at least somewhat similar to Isla Vista (low-income, diverse, large population turn-over annually due to student graduation), an organization which is community-oriented in its plans for operation, and which is seeking to work WITH this community, remaining open to receiving feedback from all levels.

In order to assure these value-lead goals, I ask you to choose a dispensary business/organization clearly *not* primarily oriented toward profit-making, and specifically *not* a large corporation constrained by pressures to increase profit for stockholders.

Ideal choice would be a non-profit/small business, oriented toward partnering with key businesses, diverse groups of people in IV (especially young people such as students) as well as governmental bodies of Isla Vista (IVCSD, IVRPD) This would be the best choice for us and for the County as well. Included must be: education outreach on safe use of cannabis and meshing all efforts in this regard with work already being done in our community---not only to provide access to Cannabis locally, but also to become a trusted partner in overall social goals which Isla Vista has worked so hard to bring inspire and support.

A lottery does nothing to ensure any of the goals outlined above. Instead it would leave this most important decision to chance. Planning for our community's future should never include such a "lottery" or similar process,, but must always be a carefully considered and deliberate choice.

Never has there been a time when these community-oriented values I've written about have been more crucial to us all, than now.

Thank you for your serious and sincere attention to this issue,

Ms. M. Maia  
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