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Subject: RE: Comment Letter in Support of Nojoqui Farms' Cannabis Project, BOS Appeal Hearing, 11.1.2022.
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Good afternoon – Please upload the one (1) attached Letter of Support of Nojoqui Farms' Cannabis Project, for the upcoming Board of Supervisors appeal hearing on November 1st. I understand these letters will be bundled together under public comment.

Thanks!

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From: Haley Kolosieke
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 5:51 PM
To: sbcob@countyofsb.org
Subject: Comment Letter in Support of Nojoqui Farms' Cannabis Project, BOS Appeal Hearing, 11.1.2022.

Hello – Please upload the two (2) attached Letters of Support of Nojoqui Farms' Cannabis Project, for the upcoming Board of Supervisors appeal hearing on November 1st.

Thank you,

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VIA U.S. MAIL

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
c/o Planning and Development Department
123 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: *Letter of Support for Nojoqui Farms' Cannabis Project, BOS Appeal Hearing, 11.1.2022*

Dear Honorable Supervisors:

I have worked with Shannon Conn for many years as a land use attorney and friend. Since we first became acquainted more than 15 years ago, she has educated herself to become an expert on County regulations and cannabis compliance. I have admired her attention to detail and her insistence that any projects associated with her name comply with all state and local regulations. She is knowledgeable in this area and committed to ensuring that all cannabis projects comply with governmental requirements. I am confident she will be a responsible and diligent operator of the proposed project, based on our many conversations about how to ensure compliance with governmental requirements in this new and constantly changing area of regulation.

I have reviewed Shannon's application for the above-referenced cannabis project. My understanding is that the above-referenced project has been designed to:

1. Avoid all possible impacts to neighboring property owners;
2. Use no chemical pesticides; and
3. Reduce water use on this historically farmed property due to state-of-the art irrigation technology.

In addition, in accordance with the County's General Plan, the project is compatible with neighboring farms and will ensure the property remains in agricultural production. The project will also provide key tax revenue, offer high-paying jobs, and employ local employees.

The appeal appears to be based on unfounded concerns about vaguely-described local impacts, without any evidence to support the claims. I understand that cannabis projects are subject to

additional scrutiny, but my knowledge of Shannon Conn over more than 15 years is that she is committed to enhancing the community around all proposed projects and will ensure compliance with all regulatory requirements.

Please deny the appeal and approve the Nojoqui Farms' LUP.

Sincerely,



Deborah M. Rosenthal, FAICP, Esq.

cc: Ms. Shannon Conn (via Electronic Mail – Shannon.sb.ranch@gmail.com)