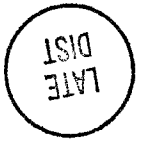


Ramirez, Angelica

Public Comment- Group 5

11/11/20

From: Lauren Niehaus <lniehaus@harvestinc.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 3:28 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Public comment for June 2nd Board of Supervisor's Meeting- Agenda Item 7
Attachments: Harvest Input- Santa Barbara cannabis ordinance.pdf



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Dear Clerk of the Board,

Attached please find written comment for Departmental Agenda Hearing item 7, file number 20-00387 on June 2, 2020.

Whereas I will be available by phone for comment, I also realize how lengthy these cannabis discussions are at the end of a busy day! I defer to the Board as to their preference to hear verbal testimony or receive the attached for the record.

Thank you for allowing the option to participate in this fashion during these interesting times.

-Lauren Niehaus

HARVEST

Lauren Niehaus Government Relations Specialist 303-827-9039 LNiehaus@HarvestInc.com

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HARVEST

Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input regarding licensed cannabis retail storefronts in Santa Barbara County.

Harvest Health & Recreation, Inc. is a vertically integrated cannabis company and multi-state operator with numerous retail facilities across the state of California. I thank you for the opportunity to provide input regarding legalizing cannabis in Santa Barbara County.

Based on our experience operating in many markets across California, and across the country, I have outlined a few hallmarks of a successful program, for your consideration:

- Creation of a strong ordinance for the city to follow, which may include:
 - o Allowing for no more than one retail license per 50,000 people.
 - o Creating a sound sensitive use / buffer zone
 - o Selecting zoning areas that are desirable for businesses to operate
 - o Emphasize attracting operators that have demonstrated success; those with extensive and established cannabis operating experience.
 - o Requiring a cannabis education plan
 - o Requiring a labor & employment plan
 - o Requiring a plan for ensuring compliant operations

- Use a merit-based process to evaluate each applicant's qualifications, selecting those operators who will be the most successful business partners in the County.

Harvest is supportive of empowering the legal, regulated cannabis industry through sound ordinances and implementation of a cannabis program that will aide in legitimizing the industry in Santa Barbara County.

Thank you.



Lauren Niehaus, Harvest Health & Recreation, Inc.

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kruzel, Ashley
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 3:57 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: FW: Cannabis CUP.....Please read into Record
Attachments: Cannabis letter.docx

FYI

From: ginbliss@aol.com <ginbliss@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 1:52 PM
To: Hart, Gregg <gHart@countyofsb.org>; Williams, Das <DWilliams@countyofsb.org>
Subject: Cannabis CUP.....Please read into Record

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May 29, 2020

SB County Board of Supervisors

Dear Board,

We support the Planning Commission's recommendation to require a CUP for cannabis cultivation in Santa Barbara County.

Our family has lived on Casitas Pass Road for nearly 100 years and we know and like many of the local flower and cannabis growers, however we strongly believe the negative impacts from the lack of clear oversight of the cannabis operations from the beginning has resulted in a significant degradation of the quality of life in our wonderfully unique, small community. It makes lots of sense to take a new look at things with fresh eyes and incorporate what we now know into the permitting process. The present process is simply not working as the community and the cannabis growers exist shoulder to shoulder. This will always be the case, so we need regulations and a process that is clear and tenable.

The present friction between the community and the industry will only continue to fester and this must stop for the good of us all. Requiring CUPs for cannabis cultivation feels like a workable and reasonable solution.

Sincerely,

Ginny and Tim Bliss

6405 Casitas Pass Rd.

Carpinteria

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Mike Wondolowski <mwondo@cox.net>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 3:59 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter
Subject: READ INTO THE RECORD, re: Cannabis Ordinance Amendments, Case Nos. 19ORD-00000-00009 and -00011
Attachments: CVA Letter to SBC Supervisors 2020-05-29.pdf

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Attached is a comment letter from the Carpinteria Valley Association regarding The Board of Supervisors June 2, 2020 agenda item #7:

Cannabis Ordinance Amendments, Case Nos. 19ORD-00000-00009 and -00011

We request that this letter be read into the record at the hearing.

Thank you,

Mike Wondolowski
President
Carpinteria Valley Association



Carpinteria Valley Association

PO Box 27, Carpinteria, CA 93014 CarpinteriaValleyAssociation.org

*Protecting the beauty & natural
resources of our valley since 1964*

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
4th Floor
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Support for CUPs, READ INTO THE RECORD

May 29, 2020

Members of the Board:

The Carpinteria Valley Association, a 56 year old environmental organization, is dedicated to preserving the environment of Carpinteria and its surrounding valley. There is no Community Plan for the Carpinteria Valley, so local residents need to rely on organizations like ours and your Board to protect us.

We support the Planning Commission's unanimous recommendation to require CUPs for all cannabis operations in both the inland and coastal areas and the changes to the odor control requirement.

Requiring CUPs would enable both the applicants and County Planners in advance to take into account neighborhood compatibility of cannabis sites adjacent to schools, parks, EDRNs, neighbors, and avocado and other orchards. Buffers, size of grows, odor control mechanisms and concentration would be considered. "Odors generated by cannabis activities: (a) must not be detrimental to the comfort, convenience, general welfare, health, and safety of the neighborhood: and (b) must be compatible with the surrounding area."

Requiring CUPs would make the process public. Advance publication of the meeting would occur and the public would have a voice in this decision affecting permanent land-use decisions.

Currently, the issuance of ministerial permanent land use permits gives Planning & Development only limited authority. This was pointed out recently by County Counsel, whereas requiring a CUP allows much more customization than the current granting of permanent LUP/CDPs.

Please protect the residents of Carpinteria, not just cannabis growers!

Thank you,

Mike Wondolowski
President
Carpinteria Valley Association
mike@carpinteriavalleyassociation.org

Ramirez, Angelica

From: tamara donohoe <tamaradonohoe@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 4:11 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for Cannabis Growers

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please advance regulations for the cannabis growers in our community. It is very unfortunate that growers aren't using odor control after 5:00pm or so. The smells are so strong and pungent that you don't even want to go outside in the evening. I hope that this will alert your attention to how much it's noticed throughout the community. Lastly, I feel that it devalues our real estate which is so unfortunate in such a beautiful community. Please consider stronger regulations for everyone's well being.

Thank You,

Tamara

Be Joyful in Hope, Patient in Affliction, Faithful in Prayer.
Romans 12:12 Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Patricia Saragosa <patricia.saragosa@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 4:59 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use permits

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We feel that the conditional use Permits pertain to everyone. No Grandfather clause. No odor control, no permit, Period. Francis & Pat Saragosa

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Vicki Slocum <vslocum@globalisle.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:05 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: June 2 Meeting

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

Regarding: June 2 Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisor's Meeting

We would like to go on record strongly urging the County Board of Supervisors to require Conditional Use Permits (CUP's) for ALL cannabis applications, including those already in process, and to require buffers of no less than 2 miles from existing neighborhoods.

The existing ordinances do not protect our neighborhoods and our quality of life. It's the job of the Board of Supervisors to do what is required to protect our existing neighborhoods.

The cannabis industry has quickly taken advantage of lax ordinances and is risking our neighborhoods for profit. We cannot let this happen!

Thank you for considering the views of us 45 year Goleta residents.

Ronald and Vicki Slocum
7855 Langlo Ranch Rd.
Goleta

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Ila Hubbard <hubbard.ila@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - Request to be Read by the Clerk Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

My name is Ila Hubbard, I am a resident of North County Santa Barbara and I am striving to convert a historical cattle ranch into a family run cannabis farm in the County. I would like to express my deepest concerns about mandating conditional use permits for all cannabis projects.

*There are **real cause and effect consequences** to institutional delays for all CUPs projects spilling onto “**essential**” construction projects with project labor agreements for skilled labor. The County cannot afford to have a stagnated “**essential**” workforce waiting for a year or more for their work assignment.*

Moreover, I am encouraged to learn that the **Governor** declared the cannabis industry an “**essential business**” and our local cannabis leaders continue to create jobs and invest in our community during these challenging times of COVID-19, softening the impact our County is experiencing with massive lay-offs and economic uncertainty. I ask our Board Leadership to bring us together and reject the politics of division by a small group of anti-cannabis naysayers.

Thank you,
Ila Hubbard

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Neal Olinger <neal.olinger@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:37 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Board of Supervisors Meeting- June 2nd

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

I understand there will be a discussion on two recommendations made by the County Planning Commission during this meeting. I want to communicate my support that all cannabis operations require a Conditional Use Permit and must provide for odor abatement for all cultivation and processing.

I live on Mail Road just West of Buellton and can attest to the concentration of cannabis operations in the immediate area. The quality of life in this scenic area has already been marred by the stench of the cultivation and processing, much of which occurred before permits were issued. I can't begin to imagine the impact such an offensive odor will have on the tourist activities in Solvang, Santa Ynez and Santa Barbara.

Many residents don't seem to understand the impact of these operations until they wake up to the foul smell every day. These are not grocery vegetable farms many are used to. These proposed operations are for producing narcotics. They belong in industrial areas and should never have been identified as agriculture. There is no benefit to those living in the area they are proposing to locate. These operations do not offer anything of value to their neighbors but guaranty they will destroy your property value.

Then the question of their output comes under scrutiny. For instance, will their production be monitored? What will happen to excess production? Will the local population be taxed to provide oversight of their operations?

It's strange how an individual moves to California from Louisiana to strike it rich in cannabis at the expense of those that chose this area to live in because of it's beauty, not profit at a still federally illegal activity. How many of the "local" operations are anything but locally operated.

In closing I urge that the recommendations of the County Planning Commission be adopted regarding required CUP's and EFFECTIVE odor abatement.

Respectfully,
Neal Olinger, Property Owner
871 Mail Road
Lompoc, CA 93436

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Jay Caplan <jay@privatereserve.org>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:42 PM
To: Lavagnino, Steve; Adam, Peter; Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg
Cc: sbcob
Subject: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - Request to be Read by the Clerk Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

My name is Jay Caplan, I am a resident of Santa Barbara and I am the CFO for Pro Farms based in Lompoc California. I would like to express my deepest concerns about mandating conditional use permits for all cannabis projects.

- Requiring CUPs for all cannabis projects would likely eliminate many of the smaller projects currently in the Land Use Permit (LUP) process and cost the County millions of dollars in lost tax revenue in 2020 and 2021, during the worst economic crisis in recent history. The COVID-19 Pandemic has caused massive unemployment of more than 20,000 jobs lost primarily in the hospitality, restaurant and tourism industry.
- Cannabis is arguably the only bright spot on the County's 2020 fiscal landscape. As you are aware, cannabis tax receipts for the third quarter increased 43% over the same quarter last year as a result of increased production coupled with Santa Barbara County's growing reputation for producing quality products that command a market premium. The accumulated tax cannabis collection during these past couple of years is now close to \$20 million dollars and could continue to grow and fund essential public services for the most vulnerable in our community.
- With drastic job cuts in the hospitality sector, we are now seeing children and families go hungry. Our promise to address Food Insecurity among our most vulnerable families must be steadfast and long term. And as such we need to work closely with our non for profit organizations who are severely under-funded. Cannabis Tax Revenues can help fill the budget gap.
- Planning Commission delays associated with a mandated CUP for all policy will adversely impact all existing development projects in the CUP pipeline with additional costs to the county, as well as to the applicant. General construction, housing developments, renewable energy projects and others will have to incur risk analysis in real time to determine if it's in their best interest to pursue their projects and endure endless frustration and costs.
- There are real cause and effect consequences to institutional delays for all CUPs projects spilling onto "essential" construction projects with project labor agreements for skilled labor. The County cannot afford to have a stagnated "essential" workforce waiting for a year or more for their work assignment.
- A mandated CUP will literally paralyze land use permitting and subdivision activity within the County. With 170 separate pending cannabis applications. Each PC hearing for a cannabis project requiring a minimum of 3-6 hours, it would take approximately 507-1,014 hours to process just the existing 170 cannabis applications.

Moreover, I strongly believe that these policies only advance a us vs them syndrome that only perpetuates an outdated and failed perspective. I am encouraged to see and read in the news that cannabis and wine community leaders are getting together to help develop new ideas to attract tourism and create local jobs. The County should do everything it can to promote this new endeavor.

Respectfully,

Jay Caplan

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Brittany Rice <brittany@sunstonewinery.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 5:50 PM
To: Williams, Das
Cc: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7 – Cannabis Ordinance Amendments
Attachments: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7 DW.doc; County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7-1 D.W.doc

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Please see attached, County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7 – Cannabis Ordinance Amendments Letters.

Thank You

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5/30/20

Supervisor Das Williams

Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara California 93101

Dear Supervisor Das Williams:

My name is Fred Rice. My late wife Linda Rice and I have had several businesses in Santa Barbara County—from developing designer homes, to founding the first certified organic vineyard and winery nestled in Santa Ynez Valley, Sunstone Winery.

From my parents to my grandchildren, our family's generations have been a huge part of the local community in many ways. It was Linda's and my passion to build a legacy for our descendants within this amazing community.

Society has changed dramatically since our family began its soul-searching and endeavors in the wine industry. We now wish to help carry on the legendary abstraction the earth quality gives back to humans in the purest source of health's balance to heal ourselves not only internally but externally as well.

We hands down support the cannabis industry teaming up with the wine industry, as we have already paved the way to allow more agriculture to come back to its roots of where it originated in ag land. Our industries have an increasing value over time with the growth capabilities of the wide range of jobs and businesses opportunities it will maintain. It will also help the dynamics of the counties revenue on a continual basis as agriculture will always been considered an essential part of our lives.

Pre-1980s Santa Ynez Valley was populated by rancheros, horse ranches, mechanics, and olive farmers. It was also home to the Indian reservation, the growth of which, to the local families and small business, meant large corporate business. The local community felt encumbered from the thought of losing the vast amounts of land around them and felt like they needed to put their foot down because of the change in population it would bring to the Valley. However, overtime we have adapted, and new generations having been able to stay local through the economy ups and downs due to the increase in jobs created by the farming, and wine industries.

It proves even though people are skeptical of change, there are positive ways of being homogenous together. We started planting our vineyard, Sunstone Vineyards and Winery, in 1990 and the local community was unaware of how to manage or take in the changes that were about to happen within their communities. Sure, enough winery after winery soared their way into the valley.

I understand the dramatic changes in our town because we saw the evolution of the industry grow in our community. During the time of growth in the late 1980's through today the number of wineries went from two-digit to three-digit within a little over a decade. The regulations kept coming for the wineries over the years and hearing after hearing we have been having to eliminate traffic to many agriculture business related properties to reduce complaints of Families living on agriculture land believing they had the rights of zoning it residential.

I assume the cannabis industry will have similar hurdles but it would be great to classify the difference of agriculture and residential land for owners before they purchase properties that should be allowed to plant seeds to grow product, and to have an outlet to make a living for their family. There will always be uncertainties and being human we will always try to protect our surroundings but if our industry can bring light to the situation that we find ourselves in, why not give us a chance?

Imagine what it would be like with the teaming up of agriculture departments such as food, wine, beer, and cannabis. It could be amazing for destination and tourism growth for Santa Barbara County, and the increase in available jobs. We can only make a

difference if our families, neighbors, and civic officials have our blessing. We are asking for support from our local community to be able to comingle as farmers. This will allow us to paint the larger scale picture for the success we can offer from the outcome of our teams whole heartedly standing up to protect these future industries and projects to come.

Sincerely,

Fred Rice
Founder and Director
SUNSTONE WINERY

RUSTIK ELEMENTS LLC

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5/30/20

Supervisor Das Williams

Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara California 93101

Dear Supervisor Das Williams:

My name is Brittany Rice and I have lived in Santa Barbara County since I was four years old and have been a part of family business here since the early 80's. I have always believed and still do see that Santa Barbara County is the most unique, cutting edge and down to earth society that keeps the innovations flowing.

I feel the next generations are going to clearly see that enlightenment which has been ever flowing here, it will allow them to be motivated in their interests in the upcoming growth of cannabis, beer and wine craft; as well as restaurant culture.

New upcoming businesses will need to be prepared for the "new generations" environmental vibes and desires; beginning from the source of where the product was created. As there is a high sensitivity with new generations about how and where their consumables are being made. Cannabis has shown promising results to use as a health and wellness plant remedy; similar to holistic tinctures with lavender, olive, citrus, vitis vinifera, and other food grade oils which will provide numerous consumer products on the market.

Our industry is geared up to not only grow plants and make products but is ready to make a huge effort to become a museum of knowledge to help educate the world of its instinctive and highly beneficial qualities for wellness. These industries will be able to provide more channels of job positions in the market as well as promote revenue for our current economic crisis.

Recently, seeing our local community in such duress during its worst moment in history from all our generations combine, it's a true tragedy! So, let's adapt a new path in holistic medicine by reaching out directly to nature.

Just like alcohol; cannabis can be regulated for its potency, packaging requirements, consuming age, and locations where suitable. I would expect that our civic officials are able to help regulate the legalization of growing and selling cannabis as it's a piece of our nature, and a "herb", which can heal the unhealthy and calm the society's stressors.

As business and chemistry majors that wish to make a tremendous effort to benefit our society and to distract the way cannabis was viewed in its past, we need to work together to voice the laws, regulations and guideless of usage to the public as we do with alcohol, prescription drugs and illegal drugs.

As a growing community, our cannabis and wine industries wish to help repair health issues through our farming practices and product development. We hope our honest business practices are strong enough to convince our community we are worthy of a chance to prove we are in this lifestyle to flourish into new beginnings and to teach our upcoming Era's what it takes to balance a healthy lifestyle, seed to product.

If we can all come together to support the local cannabis and wine business, then we as farmers can give back to Santa Barbara Counties economic wellness!

Sincerely,

Brittany Rice
Owner/Winemaker/Private Chef
MILLESIME CELLARS
RUSTIK CHEF
SUNSTONE WINERY

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Stacey Wooten <stacey@calcoastcompliance.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 6:05 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: Public Comment June 2, 2020 BOS Hearing
Attachments: 5.29.20 BOS Comment.pdf; ATT00001.htm; CCC-LOGO-sig.png; ATT00002.htm

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Good Evening,

Please read this letter into the record on Tuesday June 2, 2020, during public comment for item D7)
Hearing - Consider recommendations regarding the County Planning Commission-recommended Ordinances to amend the County Land Use and Development Code (LUDC) and the Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Article II), to implement new development standards and permit requirements regarding certain commercial cannabis activities

CALCOAST COMPLIANCE

May 29, 2020

Honorable Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair of the Board
Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - Request to be Read by the Clerk
Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUP Amendments

Dear Board of Supervisors:

My name is Stacey Wooten, I am a resident of the Santa Ynez Valley. I own and operate Cal Coast Compliance, a cannabis licensing and compliance firm. I would like to express my deepest concerns for mandating conditional use permits for all projects. This will negatively impact many of my clients who operate large and small scale projects located on AG-II parcels within approved zones of the County. Some of which, may be forced to close their doors due to the increased financial burden a CUP to their parcel would bring. Although this may not be an intended consequence of this Board, it surely is intentional by the opposition.

A mandated CUP will literally **paralyze** land use permitting and subdivision activity within the County. With 170 separate pending cannabis applications. Each PC hearing for a cannabis project requiring a **minimum of 3-6 hours**, it would take approximately **507-1,014 hours** to process just the existing **170** cannabis applications.

Moreover, I am encouraged to learn that the **Governor** declared the cannabis industry an **"essential business"** and our local cannabis leaders continue to create jobs and invest in our community during these challenging times of COVID-19, softening the impact our County is experiencing with massive lay-offs and economic uncertainty. I ask our Board Leadership to bring us together and reject the politics of division by a small group of anti-cannabis naysayers.

Respectfully,



Stacey Wooten

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Sharon Salomon <sharonsalomon@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 6:05 PM
To: sbcob; Williams, Das; Adam, Peter; Hart, Gregg; Lavagnino, Steve; Hartmann, Joan
Subject: Re: Agenda Item 20-00387 June 2, 2020 BOS meeting
Attachments: SS Letter for 6-2 BOS Mtg.docx

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To: Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors,

Please find attached my letter regarding the captioned agenda item.

**PLEASE HAVE THE LETTER READ INTO THE RECORD AT THE
MEETING**

Thank you,
Sharon Salomon

PLEASE READ AT JUNE 2, 2020 BOS MEETING

To: Board of Supervisors

May 28, 2020

Several years ago, Supervisor Williams told my husband that effectively regulating cannabis operations was the most difficult issue he had ever faced & that he would keep on trying to "get it right". I think there is ample evidence that it is not "right" yet & many letters will point out specific issues.

Following are three examples demonstrating why more rigorous reviews through CUPs are necessary:

1. The raid on Barry Brand's operation: Barry Brand, often pointed to as a "good actor" among the cannabis operators, was cited for the illegal possession of marijuana for sale in January 2020; he was operating (according to the Independent) a "small volatile extraction lab" and allegedly "storing more than 1,000 pounds of extracted oil at 5300 Foothill Road in Carpinteria". This is the very type of oil that resulted in the recent, tragic Los Angeles fire and explosion.
2. The Herbal Angels' Planning Commission investigation that was prepared to recommend issuance of a permit immediately prior to the Sheriff's raid, seizure & filing of felony charges.
3. During West Coast's BOS appeal hearing, both sides agreed on a significant reduction in the operation; because, according to the County Attorney, issuance of an LUP is a non-modifiable yes/no question, the BOS was unable to give effect to the compromise terms the parties agreed to.

Please accept the unanimous recommendation of your PC & require CUPs for all cannabis operations. Getting the process "right" is critical to a successful integration of cannabis within Santa Barbara County.

Respectfully,

Sharon Salomon, Carpinteria

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Osborne, Jenelle <j_osborne@ci.lompoc.ca.us>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 6:29 PM
To: Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Topic: Item 7 Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments

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Honorable Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair of the Board
Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - **Request to be Read by the Clerk**
Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments

Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is Jenelle Osborne, Mayor of Lompoc. I have concerns about requiring conditional use permits.

Cannabis is a major contributor to your 2020 fiscal landscape. The county's cannabis tax receipts for the third quarter increased **43%** over the same quarter last year because of increased production coupled with a growing reputation for producing quality products that command a market premium. The accumulated cannabis tax collected is now close to **\$20 million** and with continued growth could fund essential public services for the most vulnerable in our community. With drastic job cuts, we are now seeing children and families go hungry. **Cannabis Tax Revenues** can help fill budget gaps.

These changes only advance discord. Perpetuating an outdated and failed perspective creates the history of losing vital members of our agricultural community (i.e. cattle supplanted by wine, flowers supplanted by wine.) Highest revenue crops dominating discussions or allowing berry hoop houses but not cannabis are examples of the frustration so many have with the permitting process already. Creating a diverse environment with many agricultural products, all able to meet standard expectations in a streamlined and efficient permitting process, is all any business ever asks of government. Instead, the County is creating burdens on a new industry, staff, future farmers, and may unintentionally harm existing crops. You should do everything possible to promote this new endeavor in a way that supports all crops "producing quality products that command a market premium."

Respectfully,

Jenelle

Jenelle Osborne
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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Barak Moffitt <filmosound@me.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 6:40 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Comment for Jun 2 BOS meeting TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

Honorable Supervisors,

We are writing to support conditional use permits for all cannabis grows, but further to urge you to prohibit cannabis grows in any EDRN, adjacent to an EDRN, or accessed via roadways in an EDRN.

Our family resides in Tepusquet Canyon. We recognize and support the importance of evaluating land use compatibility, impact mitigation, and transparent public process when it comes to all cannabis farming in our county. However, industrial-scale cannabis in EDRN's like ours is not a matter of not-in-my-backyard, but a matter of life and limb for our community, which is remote from emergency services such as fire and law enforcement, is a mountainous, high fire hazard area. It has only a single-access, narrow, steep, and blind-curved road as our only means of access to our residences, for first responders and law enforcement, and for evacuation. There is no mitigation for such realities.

CUP's are not adequate protection for EDRN's like ours, where the current permissive licensing process which has introduced still-expanding large scale cannabis operations in our canyon *have already resulted in loss of life, property and utility damage, and critical injury*. There are far safer and more appropriate places to introduce this kind of industry than Tepusquet Canyon and similar ERDN's with one ingress and egress.

The County needs to put the safety and health of its residents above the commercial interests of the cannabis industry.

Please require CUP's for all cannabis grows and prohibit grows in EDRN's.

Sincerely,
The Moffitt Family.

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Dale Donohoe <ddonohoe@intertexcompanies.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 6:46 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Tamara Donohoe; Kaye Walters
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

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Dear SB BOS- I am a resident of the County of Santa Barbara and I live at 3353 Padaro Lane. I am a Commercial Real Estate Developer so I am very much pro-development; however, allowing cannabis growers to grow product without effective odor control is contrary to any public benefit. If you allow them to operate so close to our residence then make them provide scientifically proven odor control devices and make them run them 24/7/365. The stench is horrible!

Thanks,



Dale. R. Donohoe
Intertex Companies
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Valencia, CA 91355
(O) 661-702-2200



**PLEASE NOTE
NEW ADDRESS**

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Len Fleckenstein <lenfleck@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 8:02 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: BOS Hearing June 2 re Cannabis - - Re-submittal; to be read into the record

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To Be Read Into The Record

As a Santa Barbara County resident I am asking the County Board of Supervisors to approve the Planning Commission's recommended zoning ordinance amendments regarding cannabis growing. These amendments would require conditional use permits for cannabis cultivation & on-site processing, including a requirement for odor abatement.

As a Buellton resident I care greatly about the changes taking place in this part of the County. Our agricultural neighbors are being adversely affected by the extensive expansion of cannabis cultivation. The entire viticulture sector is especially affected by the less desirable cannabis sector, which is bringing a range of undesirable impacts to the Santa Ynez Valley, including odor, unsightly hoops, plastic pollution, and the risks of increased crime and more unsafe drivers on the roads. Cannabis cultivation applications require more scrutiny and more CUPs.

Sincerely,

Leonard Fleckenstein
430 Valley Dairy Rd.
Buellton, CA 93427

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Teddy Cabugos <teddy@canvinia.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 8:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7 – Cannabis Ordinance Amendments
Attachments: Cabugos_BOS_Letter.docx

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Dear Supervisors,

Please see my family's letter below regarding the extremely concerning, disturbing and disheartening June 2nd hearing regarding the potential CUP, and overall cannabis ordinance changes.

Our team reaches out with both arms to get in the same room together to come up with positive and fair solutions for all.

We very much look forward to your feedback.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

Teddy Cabugos

CANVINIA INC.

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Santa Barbara, CA 93105

805 698-2545
teddy@canvinia.com

Via e-mail sbcob@countyofsb.org

May 29, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board

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Sincerely and Respectfully,

Teddy & Djamila Cabugos

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Bengt Johansson <bengtsail@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 7:51 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis cultivation

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To District 2 Supervisor Gregg Hart

As a 20+ years resident of Santa Barbara I urge you to vote in favor of requiring Conditional Use Permits and 2 miles buffer zones from existing neighborhoods for cannabis growers on my behalf at the June 2 board meeting. I feel it's important that agriculture with environmental impact like these undergoes the scrutiny necessary to protect all surrounding stakeholders.

Best regards
Bengt Johansson
233 Las Ondas
Santa Barbara, CA 93109

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Dinah Calderon <calderondinah@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:02 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; peter.adam@sountyofsb.org
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter in support of requiring a CUP for cannabis growers. I grew up in Carpinteria at the beach and we built a house here in the foothills a decade ago. We worked with our neighbors and the planning commission to ensure that our house was compatible with our neighborhood and met all the strict guidelines for the Toro Canyon Plan. This was time consuming and expensive- however we understood that these rules and the process ensure that our community is protected against development that is out of scale.

The Cannabis industry has quickly taken over our rural valley. Most of the land and greenhouses that used to have a variety of plants and flowers are now being converted. I understand that this crop is very lucrative. However I ask that we require the growers to adhere to standards and regulations.

Driving past Carpinteria High School the stench of the cannabis is overwhelmingly strong as it is on Foothill approaching the Cate School. This is unacceptable for our schools. There are odor abatement systems that must be required. Instead local homeowners are forced to invest in their own home air filter systems and keep their doors and windows sealed against the strong smells outside their door. If this industry is not regulated and subject to standards such as odor abatement homeowner's property values will decrease dramatically. Please protect our homes and quality of life by requiring a CUP.

I believe that we can have a successful Cannabis industry in Carpinteria however it must be regulated carefully. I hope that your Board will approve the requirement of CUP for the growers to protect Carpinteria.

With appreciation

Dinah Calderon

calderondinah@gmail.com

805-886-8789

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Leo Welder <leo@vedascientific.co>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:37 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Re: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - Request to be Read by the Clerk Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments
Attachments: BOS Letter for 6-2-2020 meeting.pdf

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Dear SB County Clerk,

Please see the attached letter I'm submitting to be read at the June 2 BOS meeting regarding the Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Leo

Leo Welder President
Veda Scientific 844-420-4202
Direct Call / Text 805-741-8983





Dear Board of Supervisors:

My name is Leo Welder. I am a resident of Santa Barbara and am currently building a compliance and R&D cannabis testing laboratory in Lompoc. We chose Lompoc, because Santa Barbara county has attracted professional cannabis cultivators with long term visions. I have had many conversations about the arduous process cultivators go through to acquire and maintain the necessary licenses to operate here, so I know that changing the process to require a Conditional Use Permit will lead to many of them having no choice but to abandon their projects.

Not only will the loss of these industry leaders result in a loss of millions of dollars of tax revenue to the county, but it will also remove hundreds of good paying jobs from the region during a time when they are most needed.

Furthermore, businesses like ours that create high-paying jobs and encourage the development of skilled labor will at best see a much slower growth, and at worst, find ourselves without a market to serve and go out of business.

Compounding the already devastating effects of the coronavirus with the self-inflicted economic wounds of an industry killing policy decision seems like pouring gas on the fire of a very likely recession.

I understand you have concerns you'd like to address with the cannabis industry, but requiring in an industry wide CUP is like using a bat to kill the industry when a scalpel could be used to heal it.

Respectfully,

Leo Welder

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Teddy Cabugos <teddy@canvinia.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:58 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – June 2, 2020 – Agenda Item #7 – Cannabis Ordinance Amendments

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Teddy & Djamila Cabugos

Sunstone Winery

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Paul Roberts <parpaquita@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 10:06 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Cc: PEBBLES MERRILY
Subject: CUP for Cannabis--PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a 35 year resident of the Carpinteria Valley, I have enjoyed its natural beauty. That has been dramatically negatively affected by the sprawling unregulated cannabis industry. The powerful scent permeates every inch of the Valley regularly. People suffer. This industry needs regulation and a CUP provides our elected representatives that tool. Those in support of this regulation have no financial interest in the issue. Those opposed are in it for the money. Complaints about regulation are always the polluter's cry and yet we have air emission regulations, water quality regulations, we pay taxes for services to keep us safe. Regulation is the only way a democratically elected government protects its citizens from profit-driven industry. You know we cannot match their dollars. We are counting on you. Please require a CUP for the cannabis industry and support the finding of your Planning Commission.

Paul Roberts
Carpinteria, California

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Jennifer Fullerton <goletaspring@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 11:31 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Revised comments for June 2nd BOS Meeting, Cannabis Zoning proposed changes

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PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD

Chair Hart and Supervisors,

My name is Jennifer Fullerton, and I live in Western Goleta, less than a mile from a pending cannabis application for an outdoor grow.

Although the current zoning mandates CUPs for AG2 properties adjacent to the urban limit line, the applicant is able to get around this requirement because there is a very small parcel in between his property and our neighborhood. We all know that outdoor grows have odors, and the odors do not stop at property lines. Because of the way the parcels are allocated, the odors we would have to endure WILL create a public nuisance and affect our quality of life.

Our neighborhood is not the only one with these circumstances. Most of the parcels along the Goleta foothills are all AG2, some of them very narrow, allowing growers to take advantage of bypassing the CUP process.

How can we solve this issue?

It's very simple... require CUPs for all cannabis applications. That will ensure that neighborhood compatibility is taken into account, and thousands of residents will not be affected by these new businesses.

In addition, please enact the new odor restrictions proposed by the planning commission. Even the cannabis industry admits that outdoor growing causes odor, why is the burden on us to deal with it?

Cannabis farms shouldn't have the right to take away our clean air and ability to enjoy the outdoors and fresh air, not even for a few weeks or months out of the year, not even for a day.

We hope that you will consider making this small but important change, and do what's right for the citizens of the County, both North and South.

Thank you so much for your consideration.
Jennifer Fullerton

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Joan <joan@dosgatos.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 1:10 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: June 2 BOS meeting regarding cannabis cultivation

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

Board of Supervisors,

At your June 2 meeting please vote to **approve** the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission's recommendation for restrictions for cannabis cultivation in Goleta (770 Winchester).

My husband and I have lived in the San Miguel subdivision in Winchester Canyon for more than 20 years. Contrary to how opposition has labeled us as NIMBYs, we are simply appealing to authorities to protect our semi-rural quality of life, especially for children, and to not experience the health issues that residents elsewhere in the county, particularly Carpinteria, are having to contend. We are not attempting to stop growers from cultivating cannabis. We are only trying to reach a reasonable compromise. The planning commission has examined the issues and we hope that you will vote to approve its recommendations.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Joan and Anthony Galvan

252 Old Ranch Drive
Goleta

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Robert Hill <robertfayhill@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 1:59 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Please Vote to Approve the Planning Commission's two cannabis ordinance recommendations.

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

Dear Clerk of the Board,

We are writing to most strenuously request the Board of Supervisors to vote YES on the Planning Commission's recommended zoning ordinance amendments that would require (1) a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for cannabis cultivation and on-site processing activities on agriculturally-designated lands, and (2) odor abatement plans for all cultivation and processing. The amount of odor control required for a proposed cannabis activity should be determined based on site- and project-specific features and whether the decision-maker can make the findings for approval of the CUP. We are painfully aware of the incredibly negative impacts on neighbors that cannabis activity can generate when the proper odor abatement plans are not required and faithfully implemented. A failure to rigorously protect nearby businesses and homeowners from these negative impacts would be a tragic despoliation of our region that would adversely impact all residents.

Sincerely,

Robert and Laura Hill
2575 Latigo Drive
Solvang, CA 93463

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Elaine Dietsch <epd1950@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 2:16 PM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: June 2, 2020 Mtg. on Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis Cultivation Projects - from Elaine Dietsch

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Dear Supervisors,

The Planning Commission's **unanimous recommendation** to require a Conditional Use Permit for ALL CANNABIS cultivation projects in both the inland and coastal areas of Santa Barbara County is a totally commonsense approach to this testy, on-going, conflicted issue.

Conditional Use Permits are designed to protect the interests of everyone in a neighborhood.

The current Ordinance does not protect the rights of County residents, and it is lacking in the ability to enforce compliance. The odor issue alone is enough to call it a stinky ordinance.

REQUIRE a Conditional Use Permit FOR ALL CANNABIS OPERATIONS in Santa Barbara County.
(Please read in to the Record)

Elaine Dietsch
236 Ortega Ridge Rd.
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Bill Dietsch <billd846@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 2:54 PM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: CUPs for Cannabis projects - 6/2/20 BofS mtg.

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To: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
From: William Dietsch

The unanimous recommendation of the Planning Commission to **require** a Conditional Use Permit for ALL CANNABIS cultivation projects in both the inland and coastal areas of Santa Barbara County is a recommendation which I totally support. The original Ordinance was ill-conceived and flawed, unless you are involved in the very lucrative cannabis industry. Conditional Use Permits level the playing field designed to protect the interests of all the stakeholders. The current Ordinance does not protect the rights of County residents, and it is lacking in the ability to enforce compliance. It is the most lenient Cannabis Ordinance in the entire state of California. ALL CANNABIS OPERATIONS in Santa Barbara County should be REQUIRED to have a Conditional Use Permit.

William E. Dietsch
(Please read in to the Record)

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Blair Pence <blair@pencevineyards.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 3:47 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP
Attachments: CUP letter.pdf; PastedGraphic-1.tiff

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The attached letter is submitted in connection with Item 7 - Cannabis CUP requirement.

Thanks.

Blair Pence
cell: 213-910-1971
blair@pencevineyards.com

May 30, 2020

Members of the Board of Supervisors:

By now, it should be fully apparent that the LUP system for entitling Cannabis projects is not only dysfunctional, but absurd. Let's examine the process:

1. Based upon a flawed PEIR, staff approves a massive and continually changing project in a theoretical vacuum, without requisite consideration or public input.
2. Excluded from the process, the Ag Commission's authority is eviscerated, and recommendations are ignored.
3. Neighbors have no choice but to appeal as the project scope and conditions are kept secret and they only have ten days to react before it becomes vested.
4. PC members visit the site beforehand, talk to neighbors, and try diligently to fairly evaluate the project at the first appeal and impose reasonable conditions.
5. At the second appeal, the BOS is instructed by counsel to ignore all the PC's careful deliberations and summarily approve on the fly whatever is newly requested by the applicant that day.
6. Public advocates file a lawsuit as all other remedies have been exhausted and no other option is available.
7. Unhindered by any injunctive action due to the cost of bonding such enormous potential profits, the pot developer proceeds regardless.
8. Protected from retaliation by anti-SLAP laws, neighbors again turn to the courts by filing civil nuisance and trespass actions.
9. Rinse, repeat.

A model for planning fairness and efficiency?

This is a dream come true for the lawyers and other consultants getting rich off a process that has absolutely no chance to succeed. When pertinent descriptions and parameters are held in secrecy by staff and the potential effects of a project upon its neighbors are completely ignored, what other outcome can rationally be expected? There is no chance of any negotiations when the public is excluded from the table, which frames the battle that inevitably follows. As more and more projects are summarily approved under similar conditions, public advocates and their attorneys become more efficient at navigating the process and are thus able to manage yet more appeals and lawsuits. PR firms are hired by both sides, resulting in greater news media coverage. Public awareness of the lawsuits encourages more frustrated citizens to fund the effort, increasing the war chest and relieving the load borne by the initial advocates. With both sides well capitalized and lawyered up, it becomes assured that virtually every project will go down this path.

What a colossal waste! Millions of dollars are being spent by both sides fighting a battle that is totally avoidable. In the meantime, the county spends more money managing the cannabis process than it collects in revenue, while putting established businesses and industries at risk.

Residents are literally trapped in their homes with headaches and respiratory illnesses by a new industry that claims to be medically effective and inspired to help people cure their ills. Is the irony not obvious?

In exchange for its campaign contributions and assurances of massive tax receipts, the cannabis industry has been uniquely promised a green light in this county and no speed limits. That was a promise that never should have been made and it's about time we are all honest with each other and take it off the table. Let's face reality and treat this issue in a manner that is fair to all, including the marijuana entrepreneurs who perhaps ignorantly relied upon an unrealistic process that was bound to fail. There are certain facts of life that will continue to hold true and it's long past time to accept them:

1. Wake up and realize if it's too good to be true, it probably isn't;
2. Recognize that in a civilized world that no product can be manufactured at the expense of the citizenry regardless of its profitability and potential tax revenue;
3. There comes a limit to the benefits of unbridled greed. As the saying goes, "pigs get fat – hogs get slaughtered";
4. Comprehend that even the best PR efforts cannot overcome the reality that marijuana operations literally stink and even pot smokers don't want to smell it all the time.
5. Acknowledge the risks cannabis poses to legacy agriculture and stop trying to obfuscate the obvious with highly paid consultants who always arrive at the desired conclusion;
6. Come clean and acknowledge the fact that under Federal Law, cannabis entrepreneurs are drug producers - not "Farmers" (good or bad) - as defined by the Right to Farm Act;
7. Admit that cannabis producers most certainly are not recognized as "Great Neighbors" by anyone other than themselves and those whom they are paying; and
8. Understand that the public, as it finally gains full awareness, will not tolerate this travesty.

This issue is tearing our community apart and it is not going away. You have an opportunity on Tuesday to put things back on track and plot a course wherein we may yet return to civility. Please don't make it worse by coming up with some backroom compromise that placates the cannabis industry at the expense of everyone else. The public will see right through such a ruse, the lawsuits will continue, and another opportunity to right the ship will have been scuttled. In fact, such an outcome will confirm for everyone that the campaign contributions have succeeded beyond our worst nightmare, when the inmates truly run the asylum.

Do the right thing.

Respectfully submitted,

Blair Pence
Buellton, CA

Ramirez, Angelica

From: john culbertson <jculbertson@sbceo.org>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 3:58 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; peter.adam@sountyofsb.org; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: CUP for Cannabis PLEASE READ IN TO THE RECORD

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Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Clerk of the Board.

Meeting on 2 June

Subject: CUP for Cannabis

PLEASE READ IN TO THE RECORD

Please amend the LUDC and Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis cultivation and related on-site processing activities;

Consideration of the health and welfare of effected residences is paramount.

The CUP will also allow for a transparent process that includes public input and gives the County authority to mitigate impacts.

I am a City of Carpinteria resident living immediately adjacent to County jurisdiction cannabis greenhouses. Despite taking part in every step of the planning and public input process my family has been increasingly exposed to air pollution from the 24/7 cannabis grows and the Byers odor control system that contributes to the unhealthy air. The time for talk is over. Action is needed. I want my clean air back. A CUP is a starting point.

John Culbertson

4516 La Tierra

Carpentaria, CA 93013

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Tyler Willson <tylerwillson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 4:00 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP required for cannabis in Carp

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Greetings.

I am a lifelong Carpinterian and Shepard Mesa resident. I support conditional use permits for cannabis farms. The farms bring in traffic and other environmental impacts. It makes sense any industry would need a CUP with this type of impact.

Thank you,

Tyler Willson

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Sally <sally.eagle@cox.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 4:22 PM
To: sbcob; Williams, Das; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg
Subject: Board of Supervisors June 2, 2020 meeting

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“sensitive receptor”

Please. Require Conditional Use Permits for all cannabis projects in both inland and coastal areas in Santa Barbara County.

You all have heard lots of those words above, and the reasons why this instrument will help address issues both today and in the future. Thank you for listening to all our words as we will carefully listen to yours on Tuesday.

Be well one and all.
Wash your hands!

Sally Eagle
Sensitive Receptor
La Mirada EDRN
Carpinteria

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Joseph Dana <joseph.l.dana@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 5:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for Cannabis Projects

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May 30, 2020

Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I am writing to urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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While I am at it, please allow me to express my strong concern about the pending eviction of Old Town Market from its building at 405 East Clark Avenue in order to make way for a proposed cannabis dispensary. Old Town Market is valued by our community not just as a grocery store, but as a historic building and a touchpoint and gathering place for locals. In my opinion the presence of a cannabis dispensary in that location would have a significantly adverse impact on our community. Simply stated, a pot shop is not what we want for Old Town Orcutt. While you are not considering any proposal at this time, I feel the need to voice my feelings now.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Joseph Dana
Orcutt

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Steve Starkey <sstarkey@imagemovers.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 5:35 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit for cannabis

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To those on the Board:

I am definitely in favor of a CUP for Cannabis growers in Carpinteria. I have lived here for 23 years, a cannot understand why the growers of cannabis should not live up to the requirements outlined in the permit for the sake of our community. Please take this into consideration.

Regards,
Steve

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From: Gregory Gandrud <Greg@gandrudfinancial.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 5:47 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD:

My bedroom window is 70 feet from 15 acres of open greenhouses growing cannabis.

Please require a conditional use permit for all cannabis cultivation and related on-site processing activities.

My family and neighbors have suffered from unpleasant smells and serious health impacts including worsening asthma, sore throats, headaches, itchy/burning/watery eyes, and difficulty breathing caused by the cannabis and by the vapor phase odor control system that pollutes our air. We also experience noise and visual blight.

We have lost the quiet enjoyment of our property, our health has been compromised, and our property values have plummeted while the cannabis growers rake in millions of dollars per acre.

A CUP would provide valuable tools to ensure that cannabis operations are compatible with neighboring uses.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Gregory Gandrud
1493 Chapparal Drive
Carpinteria

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(805)
566-1475

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Traci <tvega11@netscape.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 7:41 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Old Town Orcutt community concern

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Thank you for listening and for your consideration

Traci Vega

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Suzanne Levy <proflevy@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 7:51 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Old Orcutt Cannabis Dispensary

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Dear Board of Supervisors

I am a 30 year resident of Orcutt and have been encouraged by the path that Old Orcutt has taken over recent years, becoming more filled with small businesses and they type of place we can spend a day eating and shopping.

I am writing to oppose a marijuana dispensary joining the Mom & Pop shops of this community. It is too close to schools, too close to places where families gather for events such as First Fridays, Parades, Car and Arts & Crafts Shows, etc. I am not opposed to a dispensary in Orcutt. I've been told that the new shopping center at the corner of Clark and Stillwell has been considered but won't work because of parking. That does not make sense. It has much more parking than the current Old Town Market has! That location would be much better because it is not in an area that is often used for family activities and is not close to schools and churches.

I encourage the Board to consider alternative locations for the marijuana dispensary than Old Town Orcutt.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Levy
6016 Quail Ct.
Orcutt

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Erika Strom <cadimum64@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 7:56 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for all cannabis

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I am a descendent of an original Orcutt pioneer. I am the great great granddaughter of Absolom Stubblefield. I was raised in Orcutt. I started my family in Orcutt and my 4 children attended Orcutt Schools. I love this community and am very concerned for the future of our Orcutt Community!

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Thank you for your help,
Erika Housley (Strom)

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Richard Massa <rmasa1962@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:22 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Keep pot dispensary's out of Old Orcutt.

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Cheryle Sapp <shaysapp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:24 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis projects

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Cheryle Sapp
Orcutt Resident

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From: Dave Zimmermann <davekimzimm94@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:46 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Orcutt Cannabis

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I am greatly concerned that a long established and respected business such as the Old Town Market in Old Orcutt could be displaced by such a seedy business such as cannabis.

Tax Payers and Orcutt Residents
Dave & Kim Zimmermann

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S8, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gina Friedmann <g.friedmann@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:47 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit

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Give the Orcutt community the chance to be heard and decide what is in their own best interest. A cannabis dispensary does not fit into the image of the family friendly Old Town as described in the Orcutt Community Plan.

My best regards,
Gina Friedmann

Ramirez, Angelica

From: D F Reynoso <carloscafe68@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 8:51 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Old Town Orcutt Permit

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For many reasons, please consider the impact of this particular business, on the small town of Orcutt. A very small community does not need this business on it's Main Street. There are many places for a business such as this, but clearly a Main Street location is not one of them.

Thanks for your consideration,
D.F. Reynoso

Sent from my iPad

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From: C PS <carmenspoerer@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 9:14 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP

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~Carmen Spoerer

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From: Jennifer kantorowski <jeneric543@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 9:15 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for cannabis projects

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I am not against the existence of dispensaries. However I strongly believe dispensaries are better suited for larger commercial or industrial areas that are NOT near schools or bus stops where student frequent.

Thank you,
Jennifer Kantorowski
Orcutt resident and parent

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Cheryl Lawrence <lightspeedmary@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 9:24 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Upcoming proposal to require a conditional use permit

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Dear Supervisor Gregg Hart, Chair of Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

I'm writing/emailing to let you and the board know that I am FOR the proposal to require MORE conditions on a cannabis project, specifically the Old Town Market in Orcutt.

I thought I had absolutely "no say" in the matter and had already decided that, if Old Town Market becomes a dispensary for cannabis, I will no longer attend ANY functions in Orcutt... No restaurant-ing, no library, no Oasis Senior Ctr, no post office.... I was already planning to drive to the Santa Maria Post Office to mail my bills, to buy my stamps, to send my packages. I was already looking to the Mussell Ctr for my senior citizen functions: hoping they have a ceramics class, and ukulele band, and also all the 'fun' functions, as Oasis Ctr has been having for the past 8 years that I have been attending. I planned to change to Santa Maria restaurants (when they are finally allowed to open), and get my reading materials, from the Santa Maria library.

But....Now I find that I DO have a "say".

Please, please, please ! block this cannabis project in ANY legal way that you can!

I have a friend who has people smoking cannabis on BOTH sides of her house. ...When visiting her, I was appalled to find out that the strong 'skunk' smell that I was breathing in, was actually marijuana that I was breathing in. I do not want Orcutt to be , in ANY way, associated with contaminating public health, by forcing all around to breathe in someone else's addiction or someone else's 'medical solution'

I thank you, profoundly, for your consideration, and strongly, intensely, hope that I will not have to follow through with my commitment to avoid Orcutt altogether...I LIKE Orcutt !

Very sincerely ,

Cheryl Lawrence
805 937 9030
998 Via Fedora 93455

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Dianne Moore <dianne6moore@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:36 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Please NO Cannabis in Orcutt

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There are 3 schools in close proximity to Old Orcutt- under one mile away from them.

Our schools are grossly under funded and their performance continues to decline- not enough qualified staff and kids dropping out of 8th grade. Who will supervise the 8th graders who have to be 'homeschooled' because OJHS staff is unqualified to teach them? The new dispensary?

Please help keep the cannabis and specifically Dayspring's human trafficking racket away from Old Orcutt.

Sincerely,
Dianne Moore

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Dana Whitted <whittedfamily4@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 7:26 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis - Orcutt Planning Plan

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Respectfully,
Dana Whitted
Orcutt Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Dana Whitted <dwfam4@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 7:27 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis - Orcutt Planning Plan

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully,
Garth Whitted
Orcutt Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Jennifer Mehl <jennifer.mehl@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 8:45 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Feedback on Old Town Orcutt - cannabis projects

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Mehl
1291 Hollysprings Ln.
Orcutt, CA 93455
805-349-8131

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Ed & Caroline Woods <randc11@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:00 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permits

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To the Supervisors,

I FULLY support the Conditional Use Permit, as recommended by the Planning Commission, for ALL cannabis grows. Further I urge you to prohibit cannabis grows in ANY EDRN, ADJACENT to an EDRN, or ACCESSED via roadways.

I am a resident in Tepusquet Canyon where there are a large number of (illegal??) grows. This is a remote community that is difficult for emergency services such as fire and law enforcement to service. It is a mountainous, high fire hazard area with only a single-access, narrow steep, and blind curved road for access to our residences for first responders, law enforcement, and evacuation.

I believe the County needs to put the safety and health of its residents above the commercial interests of the cannabis industry.

Sincerely, Edwin Woods

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Ed & Caroline Woods <randc11@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:04 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for pot grows

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As a resident of Tepusquet Canyon, home of a narrow, winding, dangerous road, I Oppose any commercial pot grows in EDRNs, ours and others in our area. CUPs are needed for any commercial grows. Make your decision based on the wellbeing of residents and not the commercial interest of the industry.

Caroline J Woods

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Barbk <barbk77@cox.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 10:06 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Lavagnino, Steve; Adam, Peter; Hartmann, Joan
Subject: FOR BOS MEETING - JUNE 2ND.
Attachments: BOS CANNABIS ORDINANCE LETER.docx

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Bonnie Vincent <vincentfarmapricots@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 10:55 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Board of Supervisors Meeting - Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program
Attachments: Cannabis Cultivation Letter - Board of Supervisors - City Council 5-31-2020.docx

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To the Clerk of the Board,

Please find attached a letter for the Board of Supervisors regarding the Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program being discussed Tuesday, June 2, 2020.

Thank you,
Don & Bonnie Vincent

May 31, 2020

Attention: Board of Supervisors
To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding: White Light Farms LLC – Cannabis cultivation project
Project address: 770 Winchester Canyon Road
Goleta, CA 93117
3rd Supervisorial District
Land Use Permit #: 19LUP-00000-00127

We respectfully request the Board of Supervisors to:

1. Require Conditional Use Permits for all cannabis applications, including those already in process.
2. Require buffers of no less than 2 miles from existing neighborhoods.

In our opinion, White Light Farms LLC and their intent to cultivate cannabis on acreage in Winchester Canyon in Goleta, CA is not consistent with a wholesome neighborhood community. We don't want to see the character of this remaining bit of 'rural Goleta' to be adversely affected, as other towns have been, by bringing this kind of industry close to neighborhoods in this area.

The operators of "Ellwood Canyon Farms" (located in Winchester Canyon) lease land and have been farming the property for approximately five years. We note that the owner of White Light Farm is Jack Motter, who is one of those farming under the name Ellwood Canyon Farms. Thus far, it has been a cordial arrangement as they had been growing certified organic produce on the land, which was mostly positive except for the property's unwanted water runoff during the rainy season.

As our property shares a long border with the parcel where the project has been proposed, so we also have a very real concern about water runoff from this property which has been significant in wet years. Our farm is now required by the state to monitor the runoff that comes from their adjoining property onto our land where we farm organically. Articles have been written about the negative impact cannabis cultivation has had on water sources and wildlife. Our other, southerly long border is shared with Bragg's Live Foods, which also farms organically. Some of the runoff from up the canyon inevitably goes there as well and then out to the ocean.

Farming impacts a community positively or negatively. This proposed cannabis cultivation project, including a drying operation which includes offensive odors during the drying process, does not reflect change for the better. If one project of this nature is approved, there will assuredly be more. Lately we hear everywhere that 'everything is changing'. If that is so, let it be thoughtful, constructive change with the character of these nearby neighborhoods foremost in mind.

This proposed project is different. It has the potential of profoundly and negatively impacting this little community of neighbors in many ways. We enthusiastically support farming in this area but not this kind of farming or this kind of expansion.

We had heard Ellwood Canyon Farms were going to be switching crops to cannabis but that was unconfirmed until a April 2019 notice. Since people have heard that cannabis might be growing back in the canyon, there has already been an increase of unwanted traffic and people coming into the canyon who have no business here. Just for clarification, this is not their private road as was stated in the proposal. It is an easement over our property for them and for other properties farther back in the canyon. The road itself is narrow and not in the best condition. This unwanted traffic has brought an increase in loitering and dumping to the area already. If this pending project is approved, this type of traffic will only grow as people trespass onto private land to access the cannabis. Fences and gates are not going to deter individuals determined to find access to the growing grounds. Other towns that have allowed this kind of industry have reported increased crime, trespassing, and a variety of other adverse effects.

Another concern we have is the smell that accompanies the processing of cannabis. Residents in the Carpinteria and Santa Ynez areas have been complaining about the odors of cannabis grown in those areas. (On a personal note: As a life-long asthma sufferer, this added form of air pollution would be most un-welcome, not only for myself but for others as well.) We understand that the skunk-like smell is awful and can be detected a mile away. It doesn't seem that a 'skunk like' smell is going to delight those who live here or have come here to rest and relax. This would negatively affect not only residents of the immediate area but also guests of the Bacara Resort which is across the freeway from the property in question.

We also have concerns regarding noise pollution from the fans that will undoubtedly need to be installed in the proposed hoop houses.

To have this area become known as a growing/processing grounds for cannabis, with schools in close proximity, has the potential of negatively influencing the youth in this area of Goleta and beyond. Ellwood Elementary and Brandon Elementary Schools are each 3 minutes away. Isla Vista Elementary School is 10 minutes away which means many of those children live in the area. Dos Pueblos High School is five minutes away and UCSB is ten minutes away.

The tenant, Jack Motter, who is proposing this project is not a landowner in residence but is just leasing, so the long-term effect on the canyon area and the community might not be of the first concern to him. This whole issue is distressing in the extreme as it will affect not only property values in the area but the quieter, family community lifestyle as well. It will undoubtedly change the character and reputation of what remains of peaceful, 'rural' Goleta. This neighborhood's family-oriented makeup and atmosphere deserves to be respected and protected.

Respectfully,

Don and Bonnie Vincent
230 Winchester Canyon Road
Goleta, CA -93117
805-968-9310

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Katherine Culbertson <kbculbertson@sbceo.org>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 11:04 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: CUP CANNABIS- PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD

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PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD

I live adjacent to cannabis greenhouses and they continue to adversely affect my health with headaches and watery, itchy eyes.

Protecting residents health & safety is the board's primary responsibility and should supersede all other concerns.

Closed loop carbon filters should be required of cannabis grows adjacent to housing and schools. The Byer's odor control system only adds to the already unhealthy air spewed by cannabis grows.

Please require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis cultivation and related on-site processing activities in Carpinteria Valley.

CUPs would help ensure that cannabis operations are compatible with neighboring uses.

I want my clean air back.

Katherine Culbertson
4516 La Tierra Lane
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Ramirez, Angelica

From: SHERRY THOMPSON <sherryjt_96@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 11:52 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP Permit for Orcutt Town area

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Dear Supervisor Gregg Hartt:

We have lived in Orcutt over 30 years. We have raised two children who have attended school in Orcutt kindergarten through high school. As a citizen of Orcutt, we strongly urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,
Brian and Sherry Thompson

Ramirez, Angelica

From: John Dragonette <johnd@dragonettecellars.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 12:10 PM
To: sbcob; Hartmann, Joan; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Cc: Brandon - Dragonette Cellars; Steve Dragonette; Stephen Janes
Subject: Comment for Cannabis Ordinance Meeting June 2

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Please read into the record at the hearing. Thank you.

I am an owner of a small, family-owned winery in Buellton. We produce roughly 5000 cases of wine from grapes grown in the Santa Rita Hills and other appellations. We employ 9 people and provide salary, health benefits and retirement plans. We live here, pay taxes, put our kids in local schools.

We were inspired to establish our winery here because Santa Barbara is one of a handful of locations in the entire world that can produce wine grapes of such extreme quality. Wine critics have recognized Santa Barbara wines as among the best in the world. Thus, wine tourism has boomed, bringing billions of dollars in economic activity to the County. Winegrape growing supports hundreds if not thousands of households.

As elected officials your job is to safeguard what is economically and physically healthy for the county. You stringently limit growth in the City of Santa Barbara to protect our beautiful, world-renowned seaside city. You must apply those principles of preservation up here in North County.

I was stunned to learn that the largest grows permitted in any other county is 3 acres on a 25-acre parcel. How could Santa Barbara fail to lead on preservation and responsible management of its incredible resources?

Regulated, small-scale cannabis can be compatible with wine grapes. Industrial cannabis, 100-acre rows of hoop houses, armed guards, concertina wire and noxious odors are not compatible with this region or existing agriculture.

Please vote to follow the Planning Commission recommendations to require CUP for cannabis.

John A. Dragonette
Dragonette Cellars
PO Box 1932
Santa Ynez, CA 93460
Phone 805-558-8507

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Ty Fredriks <TFredriks@orcutt-schools.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 12:24 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Ty Fredriks
Subject: Conditional Use Permit for Cannabis Dispensary

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Thank you for your diligent service to your constituents!

Most respectfully,
Ty Fredriks

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Ginger Fredriks <GFredriks@orcutt-schools.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 12:26 PM
To: sbcob
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Ginger Fredriks

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From: Jay E. Mccord <jemccord@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 12:51 PM
To: sbcob@countyof sb.org
Subject: Request that the BOS require a CUP for cannabis projects

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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I am very concerned that the Board of Supervisors will allow the Old Town Market to be come a cannabis dispensary. We consider the location to be too close to our schools.

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Jay E. McCord
Orcutt, CA]
805-598-8133

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kristin Salvesen <ssalv15552@me.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 1:12 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis zoning permit

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Thank you, Orcutt resident
Kris Salvesen

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Geiger Family <doddbeth@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 1:25 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

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Board of Supervisors,

Please help your constituents by requiring Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis. This is our best option to regulate the odor abatement issue with cannabis. The stench from cannabis grows in Carpinteria should not be tolerated. The abatement should be regulated 24 hours a day, not just at particular hours. The cannabis industry needs to consider the needs of the community where they have chosen to do business!

Thank you!
Dodd and Beth Geiger

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Jo Ellen Watson <jewatson2@cox.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 1:34 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: BOS Meeting 6/2/20, Agenda Item 7, Hearing on Amendments to LUDC & Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance
Attachments: letter_bos_amendments to LUDC_jun2020.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Please read Into the record for BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020 on Revision of Cannabis Ordinance.
This letter is less than 250 words.

Chairman Hart and Supervisors,

Park Highlands is a neighborhood of 77 homes directly adjacent to and, in some cases, overlooking rural agricultural lands in the Eastern Goleta Valley. We have been very concerned about the current cannabis ordinance being insufficient to protect neighborhoods like ours from the now well-known negative impacts of cannabis cultivation.

Amending the County's Land Use and Development Code (LUDC) of current cannabis zoning regulations to require a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for all commercial cannabis operations, including nurseries, will go a long way toward alleviating many of our concerns. As you are aware, requiring a CUP will insure that each proposed project is evaluated in a transparent process, Planning Commission hearing included, taking into consideration impacts on nearby neighborhoods. The recommended changes to odor abatement plans would set a different standard, that odors not be detrimental but be compatible with the nearby area.

Our neighborhood is made up of homeowners who supported the legalization of cannabis in California, and those who did not. None of us thought that such legalization would lead to cannabis cultivation being approved without careful consideration of its location and impacts on neighborhoods and businesses. Unfortunately, that is currently the case.

Please accept the recommendations of the Planning Commission to amend the LUDC to require a CUP for all cannabis cultivation and related on-site processing activities, and also amend the LUDC to change the development standard for odor abatement plans.

Thank you,
Jo Ellen Watson
President, Park Highlands Association

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Teresa Gardner <craftimom63@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 1:41 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis projects

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Teresa Gardner

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Joan Esposito <joanespo@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:10 PM
To: sbcob; Williams, Das; steve.lavginino@countyofsb.org; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter
Cc: Joan Esposito
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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My husband and I have lived peacefully in the city of Carpinteria for thirty-five years. Our lives changed drastically when the cannabis farms started to surround our neighbourhood. Cannabis odors have been invading our home for three years. Last year the cannabis odors became so embedded in our upstairs carpet we had to replace it with wood floors. We bought an expensive air filtration system for our home but, sad to say, the odor still comes through the garage into our house.

If anyone in this room is blessed with grandchildren you will understand what I am about to say. For the last three years we have not been able to have our two grandsons visit us. One of our grandsons suffers with severe asthma. Through no fault of our own, we have been denied three years of precious time being with them in our home in Carpinteria. These lost memories can never be recaptured. Memories denied to us because of the stench emanating from the multiple cannabis farms surrounding our home. We miss them spending weekends with us. We miss setting up their soccer nets on the lawn outside our house and watching them play soccer. We miss taking them to Rusty's for pizza and having ice cream with them at Foster's Freeze.

Please, I am asking you to approve the recommendations presented to you by the members of the Planning Commission.

Joan T. Esposito

1537 Meadow Circle

Carpinteria, 93013

805-684-2447

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Uschamberlains <uschamberlains@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:19 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Orcutt Cannabis Dispensary

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We do not want this dispensary located anywhere in a Orcutt or surrounding areas.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

John and Beth Chamberlain

Sent from my iPad

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Anna Carrillo <annacarp@cox.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:33 PM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: CUP - PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD
Attachments: Personal letter to Board 5292020.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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May 29, 2020

Please support the Planning Commission's unanimous recommendations to require CUPs and adopt the new odor language for **all** commercial cannabis activities in both the inland and coastal regions.

Requiring a CUP would necessitate neighborhood compatibility for both residents and legacy agriculture and would require a public meeting. I have heard that the cost required for a CUP is equivalent with the current appeals to both the Planning Commission and then to your Board.

As a longtime resident of Carpinteria Valley, I've spoken many times before sharing that many residents continue to have health and quality of life issues caused by the unpleasant skunky odor emanating from the cultivation, processing, and current invasive vapor phase systems "on trial" here. Many residents and at least three of the five schools are affected. It's not fair that we should suffer in order for this new industry to survive.

In the Carpinteria Valley, we basically have two four mile concentrated stretches with open-vented greenhouses surrounded by EDRNs, the high school, and county/city residents. There was no public input when the distance from sensitive receptors was changed to 750' from 1000'.

If your Board is going to permit cannabis to receive a **permanent land use designation**, then the residents need to have a voice and requiring a CUP, which will be site specific, is the best way to achieve that.

We have no Community Plan in the Carpinteria Valley so we need you to safeguard us!

Anna Carrillo

Ramirez, Angelica

From: JOS. GRIFFITH <augriff@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:41 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Dispensary

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Mindy Stein <mindystein@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:46 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional use Permit (CUP) for Cannabiis

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Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

Your attention to this matter is very important.

Please require CUP's for Cannabis Growers.

Thank you,
Mindy Stein

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gene Stein <genestein46@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:49 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP's for cannabis growers

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Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

Please require conditional use permit's for cannabis growers.

I am a resident on Padaro Lane, and my health is being affected by the cannabis farms.

Thank you, Gene Stein

Gene Stein
Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: David and Michelle Hughes <dmjnhughes@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:50 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis dispensary land use permitting process

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Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thank you,

Michelle

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Lisa Griffith <abuelalisa@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:55 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: cannabis dispensary

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Your help is greatly appreciated!

Lisa Griffith
Orcutt resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Chris McAlexander <cjmcalex@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:02 PM
To: sbcob; info@sbcountycoalition.com
Subject: Cannabis

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My husband and I have lived in Carpinteria since 1985. We chose to live here and are fortunate to live here where we can see the foothills from our sliding glass door. We are 1/2 block from the backside of growers on Foothill Rd.

As I write to you I am smelling the burning of Cannabis from the growers. It is not pleasant to me. It is noxious. I chose when I was young not to smoke, drink, do drugs, or otherwise mess with my body. Now I have no choice because the smell is in the air from where the cannabis grows and the debris is being burned.

Please help control this unwanted irritant! You did not give the residents next to the growers any consideration or chance to give input before letting growers come into our neighborhoods and next to churches and schools! This is flat out wrong!

You owe it to the citizens of Carpinteria to right this wrong and help us to find a way to the clean air and pride in our town that we had before YOU agreed to let marijuana into our once pristine town!

Yes, I am angry at your decision. Yes, I will vote against those of you who don't take a stand to help us! That is my choice!

Ramirez, Angelica

From: John Spann <john@castleparadox.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:03 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Elizabeth Spann
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

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PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD for BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020 on Revision of Cannabis Ordinance. THIS LETTER TEXT IS LESS THAN 250 WORDS – THANK YOU.

June 2, 2020

Honorable Supervisors:

As residents/taxpayers, we write to request that Conditional Use Permits (CUP's) are the right choice for all SBC communities:

1. Neighborhood compatibility. The main objection to cannabis cultivation in certain areas is incompatibility with surrounding land uses. CUP's can include conditions to limit adverse impacts to adjacent/downwind neighbors, including odor abatement and pesticide controls. Currently, LUP's being used do not consider the project's compatibility with neighborhoods.
2. Transparent Public Process. LUPs are issued behind closed doors by the Planning Director with limited public access to documents, no public review process or public hearing. CUP's are issued by the Planning Commission – not staff. Project documents are posted and the Planning Commission holds public hearings to review proposed projects and hear from the public.
3. Authority to mitigate impacts. According to the County Attorney, under LUP's, the County has limited authority to reduce project size or require enhanced impact mitigation. This limited authority recently prevented the BOS from reducing the size of the West Coast project when the reduction was supported by the applicant! CUP's provide much greater authority for the County to customize cannabis projects to avoid deleterious effects and protect the environment.

Cannabis is legal in California and Santa Barbara County, but cannot coexist without rules. A CUP requirement will help SBC set rules which are reasonable and effective for the cannabis industry and sustainable for communities.

Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Elizabeth & John Spann

Winchester Canyon, Goleta

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Robert Sinclair <bob@highpointtranch.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:16 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Amendments to LUDC Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities Departmental Item #7
Attachments: County Supervisor.tiff

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June 2, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101
By email to sbcob@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

**RE: Amendments to LUDC Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities
Departmental Item #7**

Chair Hart and Honorable Supervisors,

We are writing to urge your support of the Planning Commission's recommendations to require both a CUP for cannabis cultivation and on-site processing on AG-II parcels, and odor control in AG-II zones. We support all cannabis cultivation being permitted with a CUP as this step gives the County the necessary authority and discretion to tailor cannabis projects, while affording interested parties access to project documents and a written staff analysis of the key issues to learn about the project, and raise questions and concerns to staff and the Planning Commission *before* project approval.

Public participation is welcomed and neighbor input is recognized as critical in almost any other context – particularly for new industries. This is not the case with cannabis permits where the public cannot comment on a draft permit or have their concerns addressed before projects are approved. The current permitting process forces applicants to work through complicated regulatory issues with County staff without any public input. Without community input before project approval, the community is left in the dark and is thus appealing almost every project – this ultimately takes even more time. If there were more robust public participation and engagement through a CUP and hearing process, better projects would come forth and they would move forward more quickly. Further, if all parties can plan for projects to go before the Planning Commission at the outset, projects will move through the County's process in a more orderly fashion and applicants will have more certainty about that process.

The CUP will also give the oversight and control it needs to integrate this new industry into our community without negatively impacting other industries. It is clear the current process for permitting cannabis operations has resulted in cannabis threatening our existing industries, rather than integrating into our community. The County's current "one size fits all" land use permitting structure has unfortunately facilitated this imbalance. A CUP for all cannabis projects will return the balance by promoting fairness and accountability in the permitting and approval process for all community members.

Thank you for your time and consideration of your community's concerns. Please give us a voice in the County's process to integrate this new industry into our communities and prevent these endless appeals.

Sincerely,



Robert M Sinclair
Highpoint Ranch,
5400 Armour Ranch.com
Santa Ynez, California. 93460

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gloria Griffin <gloriagriffin@cox.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:37 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis growers in Carpinteria

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DPLEASE require conditional permits for cannabis growers. The smell is awful!

Paul and Gloria Griffin
Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Tunnellc <tunnellc@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:38 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

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Please read into Public Comment

We are writing to support conditional use permits for all cannabis grows, but further to urge you to prohibit cannabis grows in any EDRN, adjacent to an EDRN, or accessed via roadways in an EDRN.

We live in Tepusquet Canyon. We recognize and support the importance of evaluating land use compatibility, impact mitigation, and transparent public process when it comes to all cannabis farming in our county. However, industrial-scale cannabis in EDRN's like ours is not a matter of not-in-by-backyard, but a matter of life and limb for our community, which is remote from emergency services such as fire and law enforcement, is a mountainous, high fire hazard area. It has only a single-access, narrow, steep, and blind-curved road as our only means of access to our residences, for first responders and law enforcement, and for evacuation. There is no mitigation for such realities.

CUP's are not adequate protection for EDRNs like ours, where the current permissive licensing process which has introduced still-expanding large scale cannabis operations in our canyon *have already resulted in loss of life, property and utility damage, and critical injury*. There are far safer and more appropriate places to introduce this kind of industry than Tepusquet Canyon and similar ERDNs with one ingress and egress.

The County needs to put the safety and health of its residents above the commercial interests of the cannabis industry.

Please require CUP's for all cannabis grows and prohibit grows in EDRN's.

Curtis J. Tunnell

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Peggy Sue Weyant <peggyweyant@impulse.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:59 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: NO to Cannabis in Orcutt

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Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kelly Rangel <cebadakelly@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:01 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Kelly Rangel
Subject: Revision of Cannabis Ordinance

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Please read my letter into the record, and distribute to all members of the board. Thank To Supervisor Adams,Hart, Hartman,Lavagnino, Williams:

Please update the Ordinance to require a Conditional Use Permit for all land use development project applications for Cannabis Cultivation, both Coastal and Inland. To require a CUP will allow closer scrutiny of each project, including CEQA. Environmental issues and the impacts of cannabis projects are extremely important. **Safeguarding** our beautiful County must be the highest priority!

The issue of Cannabis as a compatible agricultural crop is highly contested. Traditional agriculture such as row crops and the many world class vineyards Are in a struggle to remain viable. The Land Use Element Goals and Policies state that “Goal #1 is to assure and enhance the continuation of agriculture as a major viable production industry in Santa Barbara County. Agriculture shall be encouraged. where conditions allow, **(taking into account environmental impacts)**

Also relevant is Policy 1.A: **“The integrity of agricultural operations shall not be violated by recreational or other non compatible uses”**

A Conditional Use Permit level of Examination of a proposed project would bring to bear a closer examination to determine if a project is compliant with the necessary findings to approve, condition , or deny based on these goals.

Other important land use policy’s and goals, **such as Visual Resources Policy 2 that states the height, scale, design of structures, compatibility with the character of the surrounding natural environment shall be subordinate in appearance to natural landforms: shall be designed to follow the natural contours of the landscape; and shall be designed so as not to intrude into to skyline as seen from public viewing places”.**

In short, All cannabis projects have features in common that make them detrimental to the land itself, hostile to traditional agriculture, deleterious to Visual resources,natural resourcessuch as water and wildlife, quality of life for neighboring property, air quality, architecture compatibility, traffic and safety demands. Requiring a CUP will address these issues, at least to a degree.

Please REVISE the Cannabis Ordinance!

Respectfully submitted, K. Rangel, Cebada Canyon

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Marcy Koch <ko9marj@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:08 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis dispensary land use permitting process

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Your help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Marjorie Koch, Orcutt resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gulliver Family <gulliverfam@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:23 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Support for Conditional Use Permit for Cannabis Projects including Dispensaries

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Respectfully Yours,

Kathy Gulliver
Orcutt Resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: mike s <mikerotear@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:49 PM
To: Adam, Peter; Nelson, Bob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob
Subject: marijuana dispensary old town orcutt
Attachments: brd od sup x 053120.pdf

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As residents of Orcutt for 47 years, as parents of two children who were raised here and went through Orcutt public education K-12, and as owners of 4 properties within 2 blocks of the proposed marijuana dispensary, my wife and I take seriously our commitment to the community of Orcutt and its well being. Please see our attached statement for your consideration as you prepare to vote on an issue(s) which will impact our community's future.

Thank you,

Michael A. Sales, dmd

To: The Clerk of the County Board Of Supervisors

May 31, 2020

sbcob@countyofsb.org

attn: Gregg Hart, Chair Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Regarding the possibility of a marijuana dispensary opening in Old Town Orcutt, we believe that the issue should be addressed primarily as question of what the community feels is in its own best interest. The legality of marijuana has been established and is not the debate at this point. At the same time, the individuals who comprise the community should be the ones who determine how they collectively choose to live.

As an unincorporated town in Santa Barbara county, Orcutt does not have the ability to control its own destiny. Incorporating our town would culminate in autonomy and a far greater ability to assure that the mores of the local population were determined by those living here. At this time, however, we must deal with our current reality. A business wants to open an establishment at a location that may have a compatible zoning but not a compatible alignment with the wants and needs of the neighbors and community in general. Orcutt, and that section of it known as Old Town Orcutt, is a bedroom community with a high percentage of the population comprised of families.

The marijuana facility in question seeks to operate its facility on a highly visible iconic corner in "Old Town" that for decades has served the local community as a grocery/convenience store recognized by most locals first as Scolari's then as JJ's and now as Old Town Market. Given the proximity to Orcutt Junior High and Orcutt Academy High School (both just 3 blocks away), the market is a frequent after school snack stop for students on their way home. Going forward, whatever is located at the market's current location will still be passed by many children going to and from school. Just who benefits from this type of daily exposure is a question to be considered before approving a permit for any business.

What was once a thriving little commerce center for a small oil boom town hibernated as the oil stopped flowing. Now, we see new restaurants, wine tasting shops, professional offices and even a boutique hotel as Old Town Orcutt is in renewal and Orcutt, in general, has seen an expansion of businesses and services. The new enterprises seem to share in common a support of local community activities and encourage positive tourist interaction as well.

So, the question we see is not whether marijuana use and dispensing is legal or useful or beneficial to some individuals, but rather, is such a business best located at a highly visible location in a small town that has clearly defined community values and is on track to remake itself into a locale that provides exceptional experiences and examples for its families, its adult population, its children and its visitors. We think a marijuana dispensary is not an appropriate fit and request that the Board of Supervisors take whatever steps necessary to assure that the people of Orcutt can continue to enjoy the patterns of life which first attracted them to this community. Any action that the Board of Supervisors can take to allow the people of Orcutt an opportunity to self-determine quality of life issues will ultimately benefit our entire region.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Sales, dmd

Sheila A. Sales

Property owners in Orcutt and Old Town Orcutt

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Angelina <angelinacalahan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:54 PM
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Subject: To the Clerk of the Board

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As it is we have acquired over 5000 signatures all ready in opposition to there being a dispensary in Old Town. We want and deserve a chance at being able to have a chance at being heard. Please, and thank you.

Angelina Calahan

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Suzanne Duca <suzanneduca@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 4:58 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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To: SB Board of Supervisors
Re: Responsible Cannabis Cultivation
May 31, 2020

Please read the following into the June 2 record

Honorable Board

As a former 1st District Planning Commissioner and knowledgeable 48 year resident of Carpinteria, I support the Planning Commission's recommendation to require a CUP to amend the Zoning and Land Use Code.

The well known negative impact of this quickly emerging new industry on long time traditional agriculture, and its well known skunk like smell on long time neighbors, children's organizations and schools calls out for greater scrutiny. The different types of developments within this new industry and the variety of locations can only sensibly be integrated into our community with individual analysis and specific recommendations for each applicant.

You are of course aware that the Agricultural Commission and the Grower-Shipper Association supports the recommendation. Begin to heal the rift that is dividing our community so that we may live more peacefully with one another.

Sincerely

Suzanne Duca

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Robbie Britvich <ragandmop@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis

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I have been visiting the Cebada canyons for 20 years and enjoying the view and vineyards coming over the hills for a long time. I think that having the growth and cultivation of the cannabis fields takes away from the beauty of the hills and area. Traffic will get worse and the crowds of people will get worse.

Please reserve the beauty and serenity of the area. That is why people come.

Thank you!
Robbie Britvich

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Michael Spears <mike1599@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis land use permit process

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair of Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart,

I am a four decade resident of the Orcutt area and a retired business owner on Clark Avenue for over three decades. I am very concerned about the upcoming Cannabis Land Use Permit. I am asking you to require an Conditional Use Permit (CUP) on the Orcutt area and throughout the county.

The issuance of a permit must be carefully chosen and deserves input from the residents of the neighborhood. I am especially concerned about the Old Town Orcutt Market location. My office was across the street from that market in th 1990's. And I now teach at the nearby Orcutt Academy High School and adjacent Orcutt Junior High School.

Every school day dozens of students commute to school walking and riding bikes by the Old Town Market. I have seen it for many years. Many stop in to get a snack coming or going to school. We do not need to make their challenging teen years any more distracting by adding a cannabis outlet for them to pass by daily for the majority of their teen age years.

Please listen to the community and do not allow Old Town Market to become a cannabis outlet.

Sincerely,

Mike and Lanna Spears
4807 Pleasant Place
Santa Maria, CA
93455
805 598-3382
mike1599@verizon.net

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Carolyn Fincher <have1fin@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:13 PM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; peter.adam@sountyofsb.org; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: Please Read into the Record Regarding - 6/2/2020 Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis

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5/31/2020

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am a third generation native of Carpinteria and strongly urge you to vote for Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis (based on three below points)

1. Neighborhood Compatibility: The smell of cannabis is not a "little inconvenience" - I would never choose to live near a cannabis grower. The comment, "Nobody complains about the smell of garlic in Gilroy because it's the Garlic Capitol of the World" was made by a grower, and it is unhelpful and cavalier at best. Obviously, I would not move to a place if I don't like the smell. Quality of life is the issue, and we are not that stupid. I can say there has been some improvement near my neighborhood, but the five hot spots still reek consistently.

2. Transparent Public Process: I don't see much public process regarding applications. We would like more public outreach notifications. There used to be signs posted around Carpinteria regarding applications.

3. Authority to Mitigate Impacts. Supposedly under Land Use Permits, the County does have some authority to reduce project size or require enhanced impact mitigation. I just heard a story that this limited authority recently prevented the Board of Supervisors from reducing the size of a grow- even when the reduction was supported by the applicant.

Please do not allow growers to start their operations without fixing the odor issue first.

Respectfully,
Carolyn Fincher
3950 Via Real, SPC 253
Carpinteria, CA 93013

805.680.4565

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Sandy <moodygirl21@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:49 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Require a CUP for all cannabis projects

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Thank you,

Sandy Peterson
Orcutt resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: On.line@gte.net
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:50 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Require CUP for all cannabis projects

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

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Thank you,

Lawrence B Peterson
Orcutt resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Richard S. Kline <rskcom@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 5:55 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Ammendments to LUDC Regarding Commercial Cannabis

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The following is submitted for the record and your consideration.

June 1, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street

Santa Barbara, California 93101

By email to sbcob@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

RE: Amendments to LUDC Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities
Departmental Item #7

Chair Hart and Honorable Supervisors,

We are writing to urge your support of the Planning Commission's recommendations to require both a CUP for cannabis cultivation and on-site processing on AG-II parcels, and odor control in AG-II zones.

As residents of Los Alamos, where there are numerous existing and proposed commercial cannabis permits (including one directly adjacent to our ranch and residence of more than 30 years), we are personally and directly impacted by these operations.

We support all cannabis cultivation being permitted with a CUP as this step gives the County the necessary authority and discretion to tailor cannabis projects, while affording interested parties access

to project documents and a written staff analysis of the key issues to learn about the project, and raise questions and concerns to staff and the Planning Commission *before* project approval.

Public participation is welcomed and neighbor input is recognized as critical in almost any other context – particularly for new industries. This is not the case with cannabis permits where the public cannot comment on a draft permit or have their concerns addressed before projects are approved.

The current permitting process forces applicants to work through complicated regulatory issues with County staff without any public input. Without community input before project approval, the community is left in the dark and is thus appealing almost every project – this ultimately takes even more time. If there were more robust public participation and engagement through a CUP and hearing process, better projects would come forth and they would move forward more quickly. Further, if all parties can plan for projects to go before the Planning Commission at the outset, projects will move through the County’s process in a more orderly fashion and applicants will have more certainty about that process.

The CUP will also give the oversight and control it needs to integrate this new industry into our community without negatively impacting other industries. It is clear the current process for permitting cannabis operations has resulted in cannabis threatening our existing industries, rather than integrating into our community. The County’s current “one size fits all” land use permitting structure has unfortunately facilitated this imbalance. A CUP for all cannabis projects will return the balance by promoting fairness and accountability in the permitting and approval process for all community members.

Thank you for your time and consideration of your community’s concerns. Please give us a voice in the County’s process to integrate this new industry into our communities and prevent these endless appeals.

Sincerely,

Richard & Sharon Kline

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Patrick Cusack <pcusack@me.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 7:04 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Colleen Kuykendal; Joe Dana; Mark and Liana Betts
Subject: June 2nd Vote CUP Needed

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

As a person who grew up in Orcutt and attended local schools for most of my life, there is nothing more important than watching out for how our community develops and how our leadership stays connected to the Orcutt community. I We rely heavily on the leadership of our Board of Supervisors to allow citizens to have input on how our communities will be shaped by the new laws permitting a variety of businesses, in particular, those businesses that are related to Cannabis. We realize the world around us is changing and we must be open to change but one thing that is not changing is the importance of having input on how we integrate these new laws and businesses into our communities. A Conditional Use Permit or CUP allows the leaders who we Trust and Respect and voted into office to have the opportunity to provide their pivotal input into how this new segment of business is integrated into our communities. This is particularly true for businesses that may be unique or extraordinary in the impact they have on the surrounding community. We urge you to establish the requirement of a CUP requirement for any and all Cannabis related businesses like the OTR-14/GC Zone and we ask that you extend this requirement too all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area. As a business owner in

the Santa Maria and Orcutt area I urge you to protect our interests as business owners and provide maximum review of all applications of this sort. We realize that being “business friendly” is important for a successful business environment but that extends to providing adequate reviews of any and all businesses that may have unintended consequences to a community. If that happens we all lose.

Please make the changes we need to allow our LEADERS, both elected and staff, to provide valuable input until there is a track record of how certain businesses impact communities. I would also urge you to be diligent in your reviews of all applications and be sure that you are doing complete and extensive reviews of any and all applicants who may be involved in these businesses.

Thank you for your service to our community,

Sincerely,

Pat Cusack

Toyota of Santa Maria, Honda of Santa Maria, Splash n Dash Car Wash

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Nanci Robertson <surflane1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 7:15 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Board of SUPES June 2, 2020
Attachments: Board of SUPES June 2, 2020.pdf

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Please read into the records of the supervisors hearing
June 2, 2020

Conditional Use Permits fo Cannabis

Santa Barbara county has had over these last few years been establishing cannabis ordinances, trying to deal with a new industry, and, as such, dealing with complaints being hashed over and over. Now we've come to this meeting with the county Planning Commissioners overwhelmingly recommending Conditional Use Permits on all upcoming grows. The answer to this issue is shockingly simple! Just approve this recommendation - vote YES. Most of the issues that are brought up meeting after meeting will be resolved through the CUP process. A process that should be mandated for a huge industry of this significance and impact on the community. How can you ignore this? It's a reasonable request. It happens with all industries. Not just handing out a land use, "over the counter", permit with no input from the community. Each permit would be given a proper vetting! It's not a "one size fits all" issue.

The growers are given pretty much all they ask for. The leniency has been tilted on the growers side. Now is the time to include the surrounding residents, businesses, schools and address their issues head on. Equality! A common playing field! You are in charge of our entire community - **everyone!**

Please make this fair! Please vote **yes** to pass this ordinance!

Nanci Robertson

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Dave Clary <templeclary@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 8:12 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Dave Clary; Lil Clary
Subject: 250 WORD LETTER TO BE READ - 6 2 2020 BOS HEARING - AGENDA ITEM 7
Attachments: 250 WORD LETTER BY DAVE CLARY - ITEM 7 - PLANNING - AGENDA OF 6 2 2020.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
for the County of Santa Barbara

Please READ INTO THE RECORD the attached
217 word letter.

It is for the Standard Agenda Item 7 dealing
with cannabis LUDC amendments proposed by
the Planning Commission

The hearing is set for Tuesday, June 2, 2020
before the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you.

Dave Clary

To: The members of the Board of Supervisors
of Santa Barbara County
Topic: Item 7 on the Standard Agenda
Topic Title: Planning and Development ... Amendments
Hearing Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2020
Submitted by Dave Clary

TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD AT THE HEARING

(The body of the text that follows is the part to be read and is 217 words in length)

After three years of participating in the agonizing process of fitting cannabis into Santa Barbara County, I am absolutely convinced that all cannabis commercial activity, including but not limited to cultivation and related activities should be completely prohibited in Existing Developed Rural Neighborhoods (henceforth, EDRNs), on parcels where the sole means of access is through an EDRN, and on parcels adjacent to an EDRN.

Only in this way can the problems associated with commercial cannabis cultivation and related activities be eliminated in EDRNs. This includes traffic increases on very limited roadways, increased crime, increase in water usage that threatens existing wells, black market activity, noise issues, hazardous waste issues, aggressive and inconsiderate behavior by people involved in cannabis cultivation, armed guards, etc.

EDRNs were established to prevent the expansion of residential uses into surrounding agricultural areas. Now in a strange reversal we are asked to put up with extensive industrial commercial cannabis activity within the EDRN. The EDRN is for residential and small agricultural purposes. The EDRN protects agricultural activity outside the EDRN from residential growth. So essentially a residential community is being sacrificed to support industrial scale agricultural activity which should not be in a residential area.

Please request that staff draft a proposed amendment to protect the County's EDRNs and set the matter for hearing.

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Debra Eagle <debra@almarosawinery.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 8:16 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Alma Rosa Winery Letter to BOS
Attachments: Cannabis CUP Letter.docx

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Please read this letter into the record at the Cannabis ordinance hearing on June 2, 2020.

Thank you.

Debra

Debra Eagle
General Manager
Alma Rosa Winery
Cell: 707-227-8503
www.almarosawinery.com

almarosa

winery & vineyards

May 31, 2020

Dear Board of Supervisors

Alma Rosa Winery urges the Board of Supervisors to require CUPs, rather than LUPs, for all future cannabis projects. The scale of cannabis projects invited by our County's promiscuous cannabis ordinance threatens to create persistent incompatibilities with our industry, including:

- Lawsuits over pesticide drift
- Potential damage to wine grapes from cannabis terpenes
- Noxious odors in our neighborhoods and tasting rooms
- An increasingly unwelcome, even frightening, atmosphere in our community (please read Melinda Burns' notebook in her 5/28/20 SB Independent article)

No other agriculture county in California has permitted outdoor grows larger than 2 acres except SLO County, which allows 3 acres outdoors on a minimum parcel size of 25 acres. Recent projects approved by SBC were 7 and 16 (!) times that size, and a number of permits are in the queue for 70+ acres.

Our industry's value is predicated on creating wines expressive of their terroir, which is the intersection of weather, soil and man's impact on wine grapes. We vintners cannot grow or source fine wine grapes from just anywhere.

The County's recent efforts to help open our wine tasting experiences amid COVID-19 crisis is a welcome recognition of the importance wineries play in driving the local economy and county revenues. Our industry's impact in SBC has been valued at almost \$2 billion and merits preservation.

We implore you to support for CUPs, rather than LUPs, on future cannabis projects.

Bob Zorich and Debra Eagle
Proprietor and General Manager
Alma Rosa Winery

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gulliver, Tom <tom.gulliver@farmcreditwest.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:05 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis and Conditional Use Permits - Orcutt

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

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The overbidding of a lease to find a dispensary location is displacing and closing a long established centerpiece of Orcutt. These speculative dollars of a cannabis dispensary are taking advantage of and closing a small business.

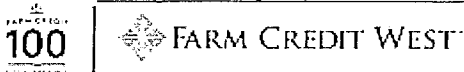
This decision needs to be well thought out, beyond normal considerations.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thank You

Tom Gulliver

Farm Credit West
Santa Maria Branch
Office: 805.922.7991
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Ramirez, Angelica

From: M. Scott Smith <drscott.amc@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:10 PM
To: sbcob; Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: Cannabis Conditional Use Permit

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May 31, 2020

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing this letter to encourage you to resist attempts to add further impediments to the development of the cannabis industry in my community. Specifically I encourage you not to add the unnecessary requirement of a Conditional Use Permit to the already considerable regulations that growers must comply with in order to operate a business in this county.

I have been a resident of Carpinteria for 31 years and a successful small business owner (The Animal Medical Clinic), for most of that time. I have many clients who are members of the agricultural community and I have witnessed how the emergence of cannabis agriculture has revitalized a struggling industry and reinvigorated the economic health of our small community. I support the cannabis growers for creating a sustainable industry that allows Carpinteria to maintain its agricultural heritage and avoid the perils of overdevelopment that would inevitably follow if this industry collapsed.

It is my experience that the majority of the Carpinteria community supports this industry, as evidenced by the recent reelection of Das Williams as supervisor, despite a vigorous and well-funded campaign to replace him with a less "cannabis friendly" candidate. The supporters of that campaign are the same people who are promoting the CUP as the "solution" to all our problems with this new, rapidly growing industry. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Growers have already had to contend with an ever growing and changing set of regulations and requirements, as well as countless challenges to their operations from a small but vocal and influential (i.e. wealthy) group of cannabis opponents. I believe the CUP is being advanced as yet another tool to provide endless appeals in order to retard and limit the growth of this industry and drive growers away.

The main complaint with this industry is the odor it creates and the main impediment to the implementation of odor abatement efforts has been the backlog of permits requiring this equipment for ongoing operation. We already have the regulations we need in order to solve our problems, we don't need to add more. The growers know that their ultimate success depends on their ability to control the odors created by their operations. Let's let them get to work on solving the problem!

Sincerely

M. Scott Smith, DVM

1314 Sterling Ave.

Carpinteria, CA 93013

(805) 895-2525

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Birdie Ellis <ellis82@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:19 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: In Favor of proposal (CUP) conditional use permit

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Supervisor Hart,

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Orcutt has been my home since 1959 and I have seen a lot of changes over the years, and the majority has improved our wonderful town, however approving a Cannabis dispensary or any type of Cannabis business would be detrimental to this small town. It is incomprehensible that this small peaceful little town will have to deal with this type of business now that we have only started to it grow with family operated business's.

Please consider the people of this small community before issuing any permits, Old Town Orcutt is not the right location for this type of business.

Sincerely,

Birdie Ellis
Orcutt resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: b.kspallino <b.kspallino@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:27 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Dispensary in Old Orcutt

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Dear Supervisor Hart,

By now I'm assuming the board has received a lot of feedback regarding the plans for a dispensary in Orcutt, particularly Old Town Orcutt. Helios Dayspring is sprinkling money around our community to try to buy support, even if it is just to quiet any opposition. It should be very evident our community is against a dispensary in our historic town that has gained strides in recent years toward fostering a family friendly walking town where people gather, shop, eat, work, learn, and play. Furthermore, the reputation of Mr Dayspring has even dispensary proponents concerned and speaking out against his plans. I voice the wishes of many others to protect Old Town Orcutt in regards to land use plans.

Therefore, along with others,

I am writing to urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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There are many wise, clever and entrepreneurial individuals who will continue to grow our town and increase the tax base together in one accord, and with the best of intentions.

This is a defining moment for the board and Old Town Orcutt. My best wishes are with you as you make decisions that will affect the future of our community.

Sincerely,
Kirsten Spallino

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gerrit Hull <glhull61@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:35 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis dispensary land use permitting process

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thanks ---
Gerrit Hull
Orcutt Resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Molly Shattuck <mollyshattuck@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:57 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: old town orcutt concern

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Dear Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Personally I am very sad to hear that a cannabis dispensary is being considered for old town orcutt, this is not something I agree will enhance the community . A cannabis dispensary will not provide a sense of belonging or safety for children or families in our neighborhood and I do not want to see this allowed to come in. We do so much as parents and educators to help our children make wise and healthy choices. Please consider our request for CUP to hear more public input on this matter.

Sincerely,

Molly Lawrence-Shattuck

Orcutt Resident

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Susan Cooper-Smith <susan.coopersmith@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 10:07 PM
To: Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob
Subject: Public Comment 6/2/20 Item D7

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Dear Das Williams, Gregg Hart, Joan Hartmann, Peter Adam, and Steve Lavagnino:

Honorable Board Members, I respectfully request that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors neither make cannabis ordinance amendments nor require a conditional use permit in Carpinteria.

I have a BA degree in Botany from Pomona College (of the Claremont Colleges) and did postgraduate work in Molecular and Cellular Physiology at UCSB. I have over 30 years of experience in the plant micropropagation industry, primarily serving as a Lab Director, and have conducted numerous research projects towards the development and improvement of tissue culture protocols for agricultural, ornamental, and tree crops. I have also been a proud Carpinterian for the past 31 years and I support cannabis cultivation in Carpinteria.

I recognize that the cannabis industry in North County contrasts from that in South County, as the two regions utilize different growing methodologies (i.e. growing outdoors vs. indoors), and experience different environmental and economic pressures. As a Carpinteria resident, my comments are directed toward cannabis operators here in the Carpinteria Valley.

Over the last few years, I have observed Carpinteria's ailing cut flower industry convert their greenhouses from growing ornamental flowers to growing cannabis. This process has required growers to carefully navigate their way through all of the legal permitting and licensing requirements put in place by the State's three licensing authorities and the County. For the cannabis operators to become active commercial entities, they have had to jump through many hoops, make the numerous modifications that have been revised and implemented along the way, and fight the inevitable appeals that await them – all amounting to a long, costly, and arduous process. Carpinterians get to reap the rewards from our local cannabis leaders, as they create jobs, bring in tax revenue, make substantial charitable contributions, and establish a sustainable industry that is immune to the foreign competition that had previously damaged our local horticultural and agricultural economies. Our community is greatly indebted to their generosity.

But with change comes controversy.

So, let's address the elephant in the room. Odor. I believe that nearly all of the resistance to the cannabis industry stems from the odor. A large number of growers are using Byers Scientific's vapor phase technology. I have a keen sense of smell and have personally visited several facilities that utilize this odor neutralization system. I have been astonished by its efficacy. Parking outdoors within feet of these facilities, I have not smelled a thing; once I walk inside, I am overwhelmed by the powerful, pungent, characteristic smell. I am convinced that this system works. However, growers are not required to address odor abatement until they get their land use permits. As a result, there are several growers who are operating legally without any odor mitigation system in place. While Byers system has exhibited very promising results, its full effectiveness cannot be properly evaluated until all cannabis growers are compliant.

In the meantime, the complaints continue. Now the County is considering making more modifications to the ordinances that growers must adhere to, including a requirement for growers to obtain a conditional use permit (CUP) that would mandate that their businesses be "compatible with the surrounding area" and "not detrimental to the comfort, convenience, general welfare, health and safety of the neighborhood." Whew. This is unbelievably vague, subjective, completely unquantifiable, and therefore unverifiable. Such a requirement would adversely impact the cannabis industry, as the owners will have their hands tied and wallets drained trying to meet undefined demands. In the meantime, the odors will persist. Nobody wins. There will be countless delays as attorneys for both sides put in substantial time fighting their way through relentless

litigation. Instead of retarding the growth and continued operation of the industry, process the backlog of applications under the current rules (or rules in place at the time the applications were submitted) without the addition of even further regulatory restrictions. Once everyone is fully licensed, permitted, and compliant, the current rules are likely to prove sufficient.

The responsible growers are working valiantly to abide by the regulations and ordinances. Since the odor is the problem, let's push the issuance of land use permits so all operators utilize an odor neutralization system. And let's enforce that requirement. Then, and only then, can we evaluate if odor is really a problem that needs to be further addressed. This alone is likely to resolve the situation; and if not, that is when further ordinance amendments can be considered. No more elephants in the room, except for maybe pink ones.

I thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me with questions!

Best regards,
Susan Cooper-Smith
805-689-4964

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Valerie Hoffman <valeriehoffman123@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 10:58 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Require CUP for Cannabis Growers

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Supervisors,

I own my home and live with my partner Ron Noe at 3288 Beach Club Road, Carpinteria CA 93013, near the northerly end of Padaro Lane. The stench of the cannabis grows in Carpinteria is damaging the quality of our lives and community in Carpinteria. The odor from the growers' greenhouses, even those with the Byers and other odor control systems which only mask the odor with a sickly smelly alternative odor, affects our lives in a very negative way. We cannot have the windows open in our home at the times of day when the greenhouses are releasing the "masked" odors as it gives us headaches. When this happens we cannot walk or exercise outdoors and breathe freely or deeply without inhaling whatever is in these noxious odors. We need effective odor elimination on a 24/7/365 basis. Please require Conditional Use Permits for cannabis growers. The cost to our community (health, clean air, reputation, real estate values, cost of private efforts to abate odors in our homes) is much greater than whatever dollar benefit to our tax revenues exists. Please vote in favor of the CUP and show that you care about us, the citizens of this community and your constituents, now damaged and beleaguered by the cannabis growers.

Thank you, Valerie Hoffman and Ron Noe

Valerie Hoffman valeriehoffman123@gmail.com Ron Noe Noeronald@yahoo.com

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Arnold Brooks <csfd130@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 11:22 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis CUP

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To Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I support a Cannabis Conditional Use Permit in the County of Santa Barbara.

Like any new agriculture or business there is a need to stay consistent with making new procedures to ensure safety and infrastructure is in place to ensure our neighbors within the areas are represented with a good vetting process. Agriculture should not be impacting local residents. Cannabis is in business to make money only!!

Respectfully,

Arnold Brooks
Carpinteria

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kyle Hardy <kyle.hardy@crescolabs.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 6:22 AM
To: Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob
Subject: Public Comment Cresco D7

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Honorable Supervisors,

Slo Cultivation, Inc., dba Cresco ("Cresco") submitted our CDH application in December 2018, it was deemed complete in May 2019, we renewed our state provisional cultivation licenses in May 2020, and we are still looking forward to an approval. Our application process highlights the extraordinary restrictions of the Carpinteria Agricultural Overlay District. We remain committed to securing our permit but are concerned about changes to the development standards this late in the process. We are hopeful for a permit approval within the coming months and hope to secure the soonest Planning Commission hearing date possible. Going back to the drawing board on odor, or upping the level of permit, would be devastating for our business. We have already been re-assigned planners multiple times, and have gone through lengthy compliance exercises with Building Code and Flood control and this has resulted in significant project re-designs.

I participated in Cathy Fisher's Ag Committee (regarding pesticide application and the interaction of cannabis & traditional agriculture) with my fellow compatriots in cannabis, traditional Ag, and pesticide application, and my observation is that the cannabis farmers in Carpinteria have developed a reciprocal dialogue with our avocado neighbors, and successfully worked out any previous misunderstandings. Carpinteria does not have the same challenges experienced by the growers in the inland area regarding perceived conflicts with wine and cannabis.

We look to your Board for leadership in implementing the existing cannabis program. Please continue to support the good work of the Planning & Development staff who are seeking to get applicants through the process. Only 14 acres - out of the 186 acre cap in the Carp Ag Overlay - have been fully permitted and licensed. Any changes at this time would be pre-mature and discouraging to applicants who have spent extraordinary resources in reliance on the existing rules.

Kyle Hardy | President, Cresco California
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www.crescolabs.com

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Lindsay Cokeley <lindsay@ccagriculture.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 6:38 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Comment Letter to be read Agenda Item D7 Cannabis Ordinance Amendments

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My name is Lindsay Cokeley, and I have worked and lived in Santa Barbara County for 15 years. I now work in compliance for a local cannabis farm, and it is my sole job to ensure we do things the right way for the good of the community. I would like to express my deepest concerns about mandating conditional use permits for all outdoor cannabis projects. Our cannabis LUP project is nearly at the finish line after having the goal post moved several times since we applied in 2019, so I urge you to consider the impact that changes to the cannabis ordinance will have on the industry. A mandated CUP will literally paralyze land use permitting and subdivision activity with the County. With 170 separate pending cannabis applications and each PC hearing for a cannabis project requiring a minimum of 3-6 hours, it would take approximately 507-1014 hours to process just the existing 170 cannabis applications. I strongly believe that these policies only advance an "us vs. them" syndrome that only perpetuates an outdated and failed perspective. I am encouraged to see and read in the news that cannabis and wine community leaders are getting together to help develop new ideas to attract tourism and create local jobs. The county should do everything it can to promote this new endeavor.

Thank you,



Lindsay Cokeley
Compliance Supervisor | CCA
(818) 317-8414

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: headfiddle@fiddleheadcellars.com
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:06 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Letter to Board of Supervisors- Cannabis Ordinance- 6.2.20 meeting
Attachments: A2.1 - County.pdf; TD Board of Supervisors letter 060120.pdf

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Re: Planning Commission Amendments to County Land Use Development Code and Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Article III) regarding Cannabis Ordinance

Dear Board of Supervisors,

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Concerning the sprayer, yes CCA has purchased one and is willing to lease it to our vineyard management company but with one important condition. The vineyard management company must give CCA advance notice of a spray and CCA at its sole and unfettered discretion can halt a spray. And concerning what we can spray, Mr. De Friel was recently quoted in a newspaper article as saying we can spray whatever we want so long as we are not spraying in the wind. We are responsible farmers and do not spray when it is windy, but more importantly as of this weekend CCA is still trying to control what we can and cannot spray, even on areas that are far from the joint property line.

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NO.	Revision/Issue	Date



CULTIVATION SITE
 5645 SANTA ROSA RD.
 GARDEN GROVE, CA
 APN: 0687180-013

OWNER: DONNELL DAVIS JUST
 APPLICANT: CENTRAL COAST
 AGRICULTURE, INC.
 ACREAGE: 18.56 AC
 LOT SIZE: 100.02 AC
 CANNABIS DEVELOPMENT: 18.56 AC
 CANNABIS NURSERY: 0.54 AC
 CANNABIS NURSERY (P): 0.54 AC

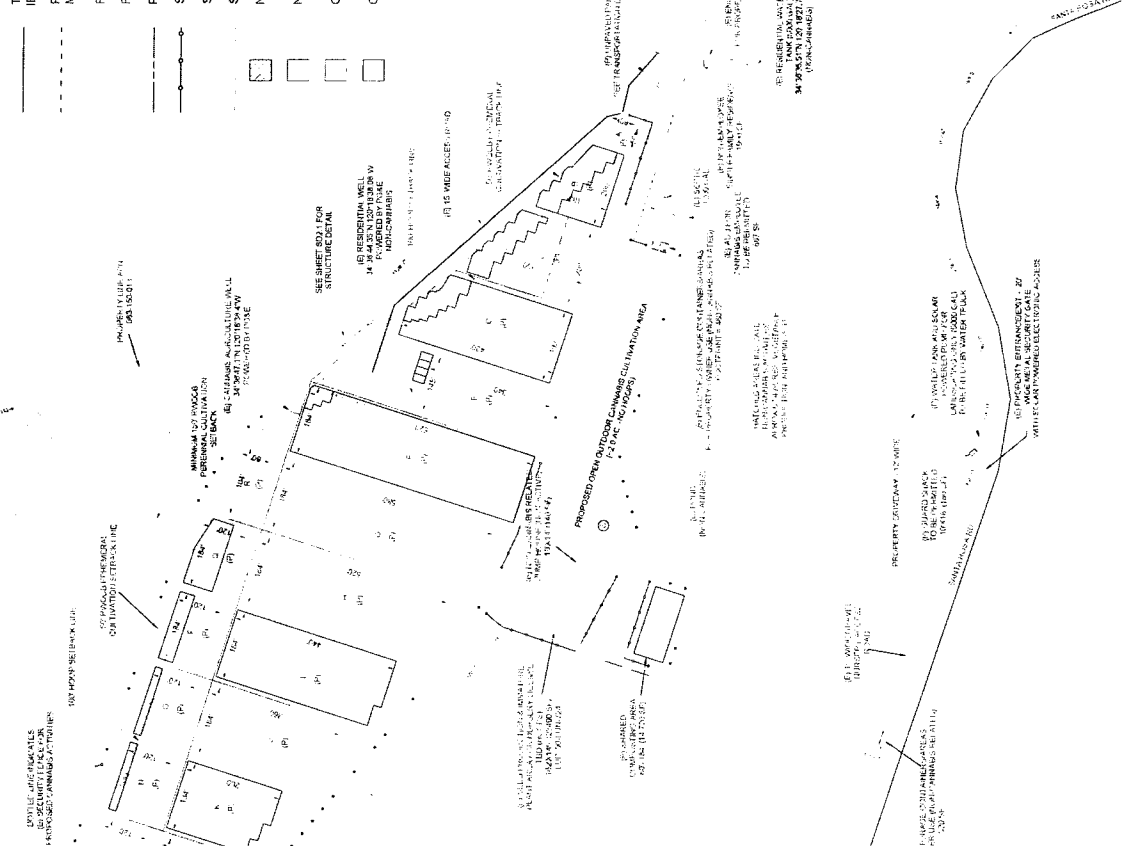
Project:	5645 SANTA ROSA RD. IRRIGATION PLAN
Date:	MARCH 2025
Scale:	AS SHOWN

A2.1



KEY:

- TEMPORARY ABOVE GROUND IRRIGATION LINES
- PERMANENT BELOW GROUND MAIN LINES
- RWQ/CB JURISDICTIONAL FEATURES
- RWQ/CB CULTIVATION SETBACK - 150'
- PROPERTY LINE
- SECURITY FENCE
- SECURITY GATE
- SETBACK LINE
- NON-CANNABIS AREA - 62.4 AC
- NURSERY AREAS 0.54 AC
- CULTIVATION AREAS UNDER HOOPS 17.89 AC
- CULTIVATION AREAS OUTDOOR - 4 AC



Water Efficiency Practices:

- Use of timed drip irrigation, with drip tape that has a small emitter discharge exponent.
- Placement of evaporative barriers on exposed soils.
- Irrigation scheduling for leaching fraction and distribution uniformity of system.
- Irrigation schedule record maintenance.
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From: Holly Personal <hollyxmascat@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:31 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis

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I strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to adopt the recommendations from the Planning Commission to require all cannabis growers to have CUPs as part of their application process. This includes current applicantlons in progress.

Cannabis introduces safety and other issues that could easily impact our neighborhoods and home values. Please make sure you are acting to protect the people who live here.

Thank you,
Holly McCord Duncan

Sent from my iPad

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Bob Bush <rbush64@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:43 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) - All Cannabis Projects

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I am writing you as a lifelong resident of Orcutt, California. I have serious concerns about the proposed cannabis retail business (Natural Healing Center) in Old Orcutt. It is this concern that prompts me to send you this email.

I was born and raised in Old Orcutt. My father was born and raised in Old Orcutt. I raised my family in Orcutt and my children attended Orcutt Schools. I attended the Old Orcutt School (K-8) and after college returned to Orcutt to work for the Orcutt Union School District for 42 years. As a child I often walked to Scolari's Market, now Old Town Market, to get groceries for my parents and treats for myself. It was the only market in our town and one of a handful of businesses in Old Orcutt. I am very disappointed that the owner of the property has chosen to sell a business that has been a fixture in our town for many years. In our small community there are day care facilities, pre-schools, a junior high school and a charter high school within walking distance of Old Town Market. Our children should not be in close proximity to a cannabis retail business.

Dr. Elwood's decision to sell to Helios Dayspring and the county's consideration of approving a permit to allow a cannabis facility to operate are both strictly about MONEY!

Therefore I submit the following:

The citizens of Orcutt strongly urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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Thank you in advance for considering my input

Bob Bush

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:56 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Lavagnino, Steve; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Nelson, Bob; Hartmann, Joan
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis
Attachments: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis.docx

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PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD:

Honorable Supervisors,

We support the need for Santa Barbara County cannabis projects to have public input. We urge you to require a CUP for all Cannabis permitting. The CUP process provides responsible transparency for impacted communities, residents, and landowners. It removes some of the risk of backroom deals, supported by black market money, that have plagued other municipalities.

The CUP process will ultimately be more efficient in placing the regulated cannabis industry in the tax rolls, as operators will be vetted and known during the CUP and will be more likely to complete the business licensing stage. A CUP will also better allocate resources to the most appropriate area for land usage of this regulated industry.

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Susan Ashbrook

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Susan Ashbrook

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Debbie Spring <debbiedspring@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:03 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Supervisor Gregg Hart, Orcutt Dispensary

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Thank you for in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
Debra Spring

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Mary Jane Edalatpour <maryjaneedalatpour@me.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:17 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis

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I am a walnut grower on Santa Rosa Road. I am writing you again to request you immediately implement the Planning Commission's recommendation for CUPs for all cannabis cultivation and processing operations. Odor control is also essential. People not only work but live out here and have done so for decades and the odor drift, among other issues of which you must be aware, is getting to us.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary Jane Edalatpour
8615 Santa Rosa Road
Buellton

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Carol Siri <carol@carolsiri.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:29 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis dispensary in Orcutt

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Wish I had received this notification earlier. I know of a number of families that would be sending this email to you with my thoughts,

Old Orcutt is not a place for a cannabis dispensary. How about the corner of 101 and Clark Ave.

Old Orcutt has a special feel and followers of the area. The dispensary that is taking over the Market is too close to the schools and the residential area for alot of our older home owners. I believe the majority of Orcutt homeowners would vote against the Dispensary being allowed in our neighborhoods.

Carol Siri



Carol Siri
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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Heather Paige <hapaige2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:38 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Dispensary should require a CUP

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Furthermore, the current proposed location of a Cannabis dispensary is an unsafe location for our children. My children currently ride their bikes multiple times a week to Orcutt Market (the current business in the proposed future location of a dispensary). They attend Orcutt Jr. High and Orcutt Academy High school and would pass the dispensary as they bike to and from school daily. This is not the proper location for a dispensary. It is too close to neighboring schools and it does not fit into the walkable downtown feel of Old Orcutt we've worked so hard to develop over the last few years.

Thank you for your time and consideration of requiring a CUP.

Heather Paige
Orcutt Resident

 Cannabis Zoning

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Stacey <sbikini@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:46 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fwd: Cultivation of Marijuana on Cebaba Canyon Rd.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Stacey <sbikini@cox.net>
Date: June 1, 2020 at 8:30:19 AM PDT
To: sbcob@countyofsb.org
Subject: Cultivation of Marijuana on Cebaba Canyon Rd.

Please read my letter into the record and distribute to all members of the board . Thank you to Supervisors Adams, Hart, Hartman, Lavagnino and Williams.

My sister Kelly Rangel has owned and lived at 2510 Cebada Canyon Rd for a total of 20 years. The natural beauty and views of the Cebada Canyon would be spoiled by the expansive marijuana expansion plans that would take place directly across the street from her. Also certainly the property values would go down. The traffic is already a problem and would only increase with the size that is being planned for the marijuana greenhouse and processing plant. Not to mention the housing for the workers. Please consider these costs to the area and the residents. Thank you for your consideration. Stacey Brown

805 4523267

Sent from my iPhone

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kendra Duncan O'Connor <sbbunnys@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:49 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Comment for BOS Hearing 6/2/20 Departmental Agenda Item 7 Amendments to LUDC & Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance
Attachments: Cannabis Ordinance Amendments.pdf; ATT00001.txt

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Dear Clerk of the Board,

Please accept this re-submittal of the letter I sent on Friday. I neglected to ask for it to be read into the record.

Thank you,

Kendra Duncan O'Connor

* Please read into record *

Dear Chair Hart and Supervisors,

I am a lifelong resident of Santa Barbara County and a property owner living adjacent to rural agricultural lands in the Eastern Goleta Valley. Current cannabis zoning regulations fail to uphold the standards of review necessary to mitigate impacts to neighborhoods like mine, as well as impacts to existing agricultural operations. A Conditional Use Permit (CUP) should be required for ALL commercial cannabis operations, including nurseries.

Please follow the direction of your Planning Commission and make the required findings to amend the County's Land Use & Development Code (LUDC). Updating current cannabis zoning regulations, by requiring CUPs, will help preserve the quality of life for everyone living and working near agricultural lands in Santa Barbara County. There is a reason the cannabis industry does not want the requirement of a CUP for land use entitlements. According to the LUDC, by requiring a CUP, A review authority may impose any appropriate and reasonable conditions or require any redesign of the project as the review authority may deem necessary to protect the persons or property in the neighborhood, to preserve the neighborhood character, natural resources or scenic quality of the area, to preserve or enhance the public health, peace, safety and welfare, or to implement the purposes of this Development Code.

Former Deputy CEO Dennis Bozanich, who was instrumental in creating and implementing SB County's Cannabis Ordinance, had this to say during an interview with the *Santa Maria Sun*;

"I don't know if places like Cebada or Tepusquet Canyon will ever be the same," he told *the Sun*. "They clearly are feeling impacted by traffic, noise, lights in the hills, all kinds of other stuff that really goes beyond anything traditionally that's occurred there."

His comments highlight why site specific development review and public hearing requirements are necessary to ensure commercial cannabis operations will not be detrimental to existing neighborhoods and agriculture.

Thank you,

Kendra Duncan O'Connor
President, San Antonio Creek HOA

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Bubba Hines <bhines@ridgelake-energy.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:47 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: LUP vs CUP
Attachments: HPSCAN_20200601021603869.pdf; ATT00001.txt

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PLEASE READ INTO RECORD

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
Re: CUP vs. LUP for Cannabis projects

June 2, 2020

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Require a CUP on all Cannabis Projects...If...

If the Board chooses NOT to condition language that limits acreage, increases buffers, accounts for incompatibility with traditional agriculture and businesses in the proximity...with an LUP.
Any appeal of an LUP should go directly to a CUP.

The Right to Farm Bill protects traditional crops...NOT cannabis!

Protect the agriculture industries that are already in place on specific parcels, prior to cannabis application!
This is what the Right to Farm Bill should protect!
Cannabis is incompatible with traditional row crops and vineyards.

Protect cannabis also...if permit approved for an isolated cannabis operation, then traditional agriculture should not be allowed near the previously established cannabis project...and then object.

Odor from traditional row crop farming has protections!
Cannabis is specifically NOT protected.
It is not only odors that are NOT protected with cannabis.
Crime, security, medical issues are all additional reasons for incompatibility...and will force Nuisance Lawsuits.

Thank you,
William Hines
(properties on Mail Rd. and Drum Canyon)

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Whitney Collie <whitney@seedtosaletteam.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:55 AM
To: sbcob; Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: Item D7 Cannabis Land Use - Please read into the record

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Hello Supervisors and Staff,

My name is Whitney Collie, I manage compliance at several farms in Carpinteria all in existing greenhouses with no new development proposed. Our land use applications were initially submitted in February of 2019 and we have been diligently working with a land use planner, architects, civil engineers, landscape architects, biologists, archeologists, industrial hygienists, among others for approval from the planning staff.

As it is the application process is complex and incredibly detailed with a level of scrutiny no other crop receives. Staff certainly knows how detailed this process is. Please do not change the requirements when our farms and so many others are already so close to the next step. A constantly changing finish line will only lengthen the time until all farms are operating with required land use permits and business licenses.

As it is currently all our applications will require a hearing with the planning commission for approval. We are committed to the process and feel it is unfair and unnecessary to continue changing the rules.

Thank you for your time,
Whitney Collie

Ramirez, Angelica

From: John Patterson <john.patterson@me.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 8:59 AM
To: County Executive Office; sbcob; Hartmann, Joan
Cc: Nikki Valko
Subject: Require CUPs for Cannabis Cultivation and Processing

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

We strongly urge you to immediately implement the Planning Commission's recommendation to require CUPs for all cannabis cultivation, processing operations, and odor controls.

Regards, John Patterson & Nikki Valko Patterson

7222 Santa Rosa Rd

Buellton, CA 93427

John Patterson | Mobile: +1 703-608-3660 | skype: john_h_patterson | john.patterson@me.com

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kathryn Donovan <kdonovan316@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:08 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: RE: Public Comment for 6/2 Meeting:

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RE: Cannabis Grows in Tepusquet Canyon

We are writing to support conditional use permits for all cannabis grows, but further to urge you to prohibit cannabis grows in any EDRN adjacent to an EDRN, or accessed via roadways in an EDRN.

We live in Tepusquet Canyon. We recognize and support the importance of evaluating land use compatibility, impact mitigation, and transparent public process when it comes to all cannabis farming in our county. However, industrial-scale cannabis in EDRN's like ours is not a matter of not-in-my-backyard, but a matter of life and limb for our community, which is remote from emergency services such as fire and law enforcement, it is a mountainous, high fire hazard area. It has only a single-access, narrow, steep, and blind-curved road as our only means of access to our residences, for first responders and law enforcement, and for evacuation. There is no mitigation for such realities.

CUP's are not adequate protection for EDRNs like ours, where the current permissive licensing process which has introduced still- expanding large scale cannabis operations in our canyon *have already resulted in loss of life, property and utility damage, and critical injury*. **There are far safer and more appropriate places to introduce this kind of industry than Tepusquet Canyon and similar EDRNs with one ingress and egress.**

The County needs to put the safety and health of its residents above the commercial interests of the cannabis industry.

Please require CUP's for all cannabis grows and prohibit grows in EDRN's.

Kathryn C. Donovan
Tepusquet Canyon

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Teri <tbsbfb@hwy246.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:08 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Danny Cavaletto; 'Ed Hazard'; 'Frank Costa'; Joey Hilliard; 'Ken Doty'; 'Kevin Merrill'; losavocados@cox.net; 'Russell Doty'; Sheldon Bosio
Subject: Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau Cannabis Policy
Attachments: 6-2-2020 BOS Cannabis Letter.doc

Importance: High

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Good Morning,

Please place the attached letter into the record and distribute to the Supervisors.

My Best,

Teri Bontrager

Executive Director
Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau
805/688-7479 – Office
805/698-0723 - Cell



Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau

Affiliated with the California Farm Bureau Federation and the American Farm Bureau Federation

May 29, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
Attn: Honorable Gregg Hart, Chair
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau Cannabis Policy

Dear Chairman Hart and Members of the Board:

The Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau (SBCFB) Board of Directors would like to make you aware of its policy regarding the cultivation of cannabis in our county:

Agriculture is the number one industry in Santa Barbara County. Therefore, the encroachment of incompatible uses into agricultural areas should be prevented.

The Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau supports solely, the indoor cultivation of all cannabis within a sealed structure. This practice would eliminate any unintended consequences between conventional agricultural operations growing within the vicinity of cannabis production and processing. These structures must be equipped with an air purifying system capable of retaining all odors emanating from the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis. The Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau opposes the outdoor cultivation of all cannabis.

To accomplish having cannabis grown within sealed structures, the SBCFB Board of Directors respectively ask the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to streamline the permitting process for installing sealed structures on property zoned to grow cannabis.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teri Bontrager".

Teri Bontrager
Executive Director

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Jackie Thiele <jackiethielegj@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:24 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: BOS meeting June 2nd - D7

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“TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD”.

Dear Board of Supervisor's:

I am asking that you vote yes for CUP's for all cannabis applications and yes for requiring odor abatement plans for all cultivation and processing of cannabis.

In applying more conditions to projects the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors will be able to have more control over proposed cannabis projects. This will help the "free-for-all" cannabis projects in the Santa Rita Hills AVA.

It will be an additional expense upfront for the applicant but will save money for the county, cannabis growers and the appellant if less appeals are filed.

The cannabis industry constantly complains about the cost of doing business in Santa Barbara County quickly forgetting the large revenue return they receive in the end. Other businesses have to jump thru hoops and navigate the financial cost of doing business here. Why have the cannabis industry been given a "walk"?

Mr. De Friel has been quoted, "Santa Barbara County has the opportunity to be the Napa Valley of cannabis". If this is what he wants then why isn't he in Napa Valley? Because, their Board of Supervisors don't allow incoming businesses to compromise their wine industry. They support their wine industry. Why can't you do the same?

Supervisor Lavagnino said "where are they supposed to grow if not here". Well...cannabis is a weed and can grow anywhere! The ONLY place quality Pinor Noir can grow in Santa Barbara County is in the Santa Rita Hills AVA, Supervisor Adams said "during an economic downturn you take care of your existing businesses first"

CUP's and odor control are not an unreasonable request.

This should have been done from the beginning.

Thank you, Jackie Thiele,

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Stull@tommytownfarms.com <debi.stull@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:29 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Letter of various
Attachments: CCE06012020_0001.pdf

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June 2, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101
By email to sbcob@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

**RE: Amendments to LUDC Regarding Commercial Cannabis Activities
Departmental Item #7**

Chair Hart and Honorable Supervisors,

We are writing to urge your support of the Planning Commission's recommendations to require both a CUP for cannabis cultivation and on-site processing on AG-II parcels, and odor control in AG-II zones. We support all cannabis cultivation being permitted with a CUP as this step gives the County the necessary authority and discretion to tailor cannabis projects, while affording interested parties access to project documents and a written staff analysis of the key issues to learn about the project, and raise questions and concerns to staff and the Planning Commission *before* project approval.

Public participation is welcomed and neighbor input is recognized as critical in almost any other context – particularly for new industries. This is not the case with cannabis permits where the public cannot comment on a draft permit or have their concerns addressed before projects are approved. The current permitting process forces applicants to work through complicated regulatory issues with County staff without any public input. Without community input before project approval, the community is left in the dark and is thus appealing almost every project – this ultimately takes even more time. If there were more robust public participation and engagement through a CUP and hearing process, better projects would come forth and they would move forward more quickly. Further, if all parties can plan for projects to go before the Planning Commission at the outset, projects will move through the County's process in a more orderly fashion and applicants will have more certainty about that process.

The CUP will also give the oversight and control it needs to integrate this new industry into our community without negatively impacting other industries. It is clear the current process for permitting cannabis operations has resulted in cannabis threatening our existing industries, rather than integrating into our community. The County's current "one size fits all" land use permitting structure has unfortunately facilitated this imbalance. A CUP for all cannabis projects will return the balance by promoting fairness and accountability in the permitting and approval process for all community members.

Thank you for your time and consideration of your community's concerns. Please give us a voice in the County's process to integrate this new industry into our communities and prevent these endless appeals.

Sincerely,

Tom & Heidi Stuel
5699 Happy Canyon Rd
Santa Ynez, Ca

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Lynn <lynn.hastings@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:29 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Attn: Gregg Hart re: Cannabis dispensary in Old Orcutt

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

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Cannabis dispensaries impact communities and have strong potential to adversely impact neighborhood compatibility. Citizens have the right to voice their opposition or support of such projects, and only the CUP discretionary process provides the appropriate venue for this input. A land use permit process does not allow for adequate public input due to limitations in noticing. A CUP process ultimately will give you as the decision makers the most accurate appraisal of community opinion so as to make the best informed decision.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thanks —
Lynn Hastings

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Tammy <musicdnrcr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:31 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Business Requiring New Permits

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We appreciate your action on this crucial decision for the quality of our community ,
Tammy Schneider

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Sara Rotman <sara@newcobranding.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:35 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: REQUEST TO BE READ BY CLERK Public Comment June 2 BOS hearing
Attachments: June 2 BOS comment letter.docx

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June 1, 2020

Honorable Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair of the Board
Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - Request to be Read by the Clerk
Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments

Dear Honorable Chair and Board Members,

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To obtain our LUP we not only met all the requirements of over 12 state, local, environmental and regulatory agencies, we worked with the PC and our neighbors to craft a project that is in harmony with our community-including the 30 conditions placed on our final LUP. Even so we were appealed to both the PC and the BOS by the same group of NIMBY's who are now suing the county.

This process alone can cost well over 100k with appeals costing more than double that. Not to mention the million-dollar costs of the systematic CEQA lawsuits brought by the opposition that must be borne by the applicant, not the county.

A CUP would not only increase these impossible costs but would add uncertainty to the calculus. What sane family farmer could make that investment? The answer is none.

Please allow your well-crafted ordinance to work. Bring farms into compliance by granting LUP's. Let us get out of these hearings and back to supporting our employees, communities and farms.

Sincerely,

Sara Rotman
CEO
Busy Bee's Organics, Inc.

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June 1, 2020

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Sara Rotman
CEO
Busy Bee's Organics, Inc.

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Carmela Beck <carmela@busybeesorganics.org>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:45 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: 6/2/20 BOS Meeting Public Comment to be Read by the Clerk
Attachments: 6-1-20 BOS Mtg Public Comment to be Read by the Clerk_CBeck.pdf

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Good morning! Please place my comment in the queue to be read by the County Clerk during tomorrow's BOS meeting. Many thanks!

June 1, 2020

Honorable Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair of the Board
Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting on Cannabis Ordinance Proposed CUPs Amendments - Request to be Read by the Clerk

Dear Board of Supervisors:

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Respectfully,

Carmela Beck

Carmela Beck
Busy Bee's Organics, Inc.
(831) 840-5055
carmela@busybeesorganics.org

June 1, 2020

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June 1, 2020

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Carmela Beck

Ramirez, Angelica

From: MARSHA OTA <KDGRM7@COX.NET>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:55 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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Dear Supervisors,

I have lived in Carpinteria my whole life. My family has always farmed in Carpinteria and now grow avocados on our property. In previous decades we grew lemons, tomatoes and other field crops commercially. Cannabis is the newest crop in the valley that is actually negatively affecting health, property value and encouraging crime rate.

Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis is extremely vital as with the pandemic and no viable vaccine for probably many months or years, residents are asked to stay in their homes especially if they have underlying health issues as both my husband and I do. The skunky smell can be absolutely horrible depending on the time of the day and winds around where I live, between Casitas Pass Road and Linden Avenue, below Foothill. The Brand, Van Wingerden and Persoon cannabis crops and whomever they might have leased to, affect the quality of our lives and neighbors. With cannabis crops being grown so close to housing tracts south of Foothill there is loss of real estate value and people are unable to enjoy their backyards during this pandemic and recommended Stay at Home directive.

Also, unknown future health problems for high school students and staff with the strong marijuana odor and its components hang in the air. CoVid 19 aerosols can infect and kill people, who knows what lung damage can occur after hours of inhaling the stench of cannabis. Soon, Summerland Elementary School (K-5) students will be at the Alternative School located on Foothill Road during their school remodel, tighter restrictions must be put in place.

The closed door policy about permitting cannabis grows need to be changed and be open to the public so that citizens know how many acres of cannabis will be grown near them and have the opportunity to make comments about the application. A transparent public process needs to be adopted.

There needs to be some authority and way to reduce size of grows. As of last week, #1 sized avocados were being sold wholesale for approximately \$1.25 per pound. A pound of cannabis is worth many times over that. An acre of cannabis would commercially bring in \$100,000's of dollars vs an acre of avocados would only bring in a small fraction of that. Restrict the size of cannabis grows and owners would still make a profit. And, avocado trees do not produce the skunky smell that bring down real estate prices or health problems for people.

I believe that after years of not being transparent about who owns and the size of cannabis grows, it is time that Conditional Use Permit restrictions must occur to benefit our community.

Sincerely,
Marsha Ota

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Foothill Cannabis Group <foothillcannabis@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:13 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg
Cc: Henson, Chris
Subject: Please read into the record for BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020

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PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD for BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020 on Revision of Cannabis Ordinance. THIS LETTER TEXT IS LESS THAN 250 WORDS – THANK YOU.

June 1, 2020

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

105 E Anapamu Street

Santa Barbara, CA 39101

Re: Please read into the record for BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020

Dear Chairman Hart and Board of Supervisors,

We, the Foothill Cannabis Group, represent 150 homeowners along Old North San Marcos Road, Via Regina, Via Parva, Via Campobello. Our organization formed out of concern for protecting our neighborhood's foothills and quality of life. It is our belief that the current Land Use and Development Code for Cannabis gives too much power to the cannabis industry and too little to residents, farmers, and business owners that would be impacted by cannabis farms, nurseries, and dispensaries.

As such, we are writing to you today to encourage the board to **vote in favor** of the Planning Commission's recommendation for **requiring a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for all commercial cannabis operations, including nurseries**. Requiring this permit will help ensure neighborhoods like ours through Santa Barbara County have a voice in determining the future of our country as it relates to cannabis. Further, requiring a CUP will also add the critical step of a review by the Planning Commission.

Thank you for your critical work around this issue. We will attend the BOS meeting via Zoom and look forward to watching this important debate and vote unfold. We trust the BOS will make the right

decision in requiring ALL commercial cannabis operations to have a CUP, as a means to protect our county's land, residents, farmers, reputation and general character of our beloved Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,

Foothill Cannabis Group

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FOOTHILL CANNABIS GROUP

Representing many neighborhoods along the foothills in SB County

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Breana Scorso <bscorso2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:14 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Board of Supervisors - Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program
Attachments: Board of Supervisors - Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program.docx

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To the Attention of the Clerk of the Board:

Please find attached a letter for the Board of Supervisors meeting June 2, 2020.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards, Breana Scorso

May 30, 2020

James & Breana Scorso
P.O. Box 80304
Goleta, CA 93118

Re: White Light Farms LLC – Cannabis cultivation project
770 Winchester Canyon Road
Goleta, CA 93117
3rd Supervisorial District

Land Use Permit #: 19LUP-00000-00127

Attention: Board of Supervisors

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is regarding the Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program, specifically regarding Jack Motter's White Light Farms LLC – Cannabis Cultivation Project. My family has been farming in Winchester Canyon for over 40 years. I am the only employee of our farm. We were notified in writing about the proposed Land Use Permit application that Jack Motter filed to cultivate and process 14.5 acres of cannabis.

I am very opposed to the cultivation of cannabis that Jack Motter is proposing, specifically because the proposed location shares borders with our farm and will have a huge negative impact not only on our family but on our neighbors up the canyon and in the tract of homes at the canyon entrance.

Jack Motter and his business partner Jeff Kramer have been leasing farmland and growing organic produce under the 'Ellwood Canyon Farms' name. They told us that they have been cultivating cannabis for the last year and are planning to increase production. The Land Use Permit letter states 14.5 acres but have verbally stated they hope to at least double that acreage. Jack also said that the land owner from whom they lease owns hundreds of acres in the canyon. We are extremely concerned that Jack & Jeff are not being honest and forthcoming in their real expansion plans.

I have heard that Carpinteria has suffered armed robberies at several of their cannabis growing facilities – and in each case the criminals went through neighbors' properties to access the marijuana.

There has been an increase in unwelcome trespassers, vandalism, dumping and even armed robbery in our area as well. We believe this rise in crime has a direct connection to the growth of this high-risk cannabis crop in Winchester Canyon. With the notification being

made public, the pressure of unwanted trespassing through neighboring properties & crime will continue to increase.

We have one Rural Crime Deputy assigned for the entire Santa Barbara County – and he is stationed in Santa Maria. How will this increase in crime be handled by already busy law enforcement officers and what will the cost be? We believe that the increased costs to the public will not be offset by the revenues generated by this potential business, regardless of how much cannabis they grow.

Why do Jack & Jeff, non-property owners, have the right to change the fundamental character of our canyon and way of life – and put my parents and other neighbors in danger with their high-risk crop?

When Jack & Jeff started farming in the neighborhood, my dad suggested they make sure to farm the hills on the contour as not doing so can have significant run-off effects when the winter rains come. They did not listen and as a result, our neighbor's garage – below the hill they were farming – was flooded with 2 feet of mud. The run-off also created erosion as the mud and water violently carried down the hill toward the creek crossing by the canyon mailboxes. There was significant damage that occurred due to the lack of concern for the farmland, the neighborhood, the canyon and fellow farmers. If they were so reckless while producing low-risk crops, how can they be trusted to handle the highest-risk crop?

My parents are in their retirement ages. My mom has been physically ill and depressed since receiving the notification for this Land Use Permit for White Light Farms LLC. My parents do not need the stress of a change of this magnitude going on. This will forever impact the feel, character and safety of the canyon.

I am a fourth-generation farmer - born in Goleta and raised in Winchester Canyon. This is my parent's home and will always be where my heart calls home. I was raised to steward the land and take care of the neighborhood, not to expose it to risk and reckless profiteering.

My husband, my parents and I stand strongly opposed to The White Light Farms LLC and any future cannabis operations in our canyon. It is not aligned to the character of our community and the quality of life we have always upheld. Thank you for your time and consideration. We, the Winchester Canyon community, are counting on you to hear our concerns and protect our beloved canyon.

Specific to the Board of Supervisors upcoming decision, we would like to ask you to:

1. Require Conditional Use Permits for all cannabis applications, including those already in process.
2. Require buffers of no less than 2 miles from existing neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Breana (Vincent) Scorso and husband James Scorso

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Gail Herson <devesi@me.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:17 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das
Subject: CUP for Cannabis PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD 6-2-20

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Honorable Supervisors,

As a Carpinteria farmer and homeowner I am all too aware that the regulations favor the cannabis industry. Despite the outcry from the community needing protections and equality, we continue to suffer from unintended yet grievous consequences from these regulations, daily. Odor mitigation isn't working; breathing mitigation chemicals untested for long term health effects is unthinkable yet is forced on us without our consent, 24/7, over concentration of cannabis growers, and the character of our neighborhoods is diminished.

You can bring balance and relief by requiring a CUP for all cannabis applications to address adverse impacts. The industry may plead financial hardship yet the taxes show they reap huge profits and can go through this process. The inherent complexity of their unique and neighborhood impacting land use issues requires the better management of the CUP.

Please support your Planning Commissioners' unanimous decision to require CUP's so each application can be evaluated on its own merits, considering neighborhood compatibility and overconcentration, and odor prevention. An LUP does not do this. CUP, the normal process for land use applications and compatibility issues, will provide a transparent, public process. Conditional Use Permits provide more authority so the County can customize cannabis projects to protect neighborhoods and the environment.

Please require a CUP for all cannabis applications so both industry and residents come to win-win solutions.
Thank you,
Gail Herson

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Britt Andreatta <britt.andreatta@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:18 AM
To: Hart, Gregg; sbcob
Cc: Henson, Chris
Subject: Please read into the record for BOS Meeting on June 2, 2020

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Cannabis is legal in California and Santa Barbara County, but cannot coexist without rules. A CUP requirement will help SBC set rules which are reasonable and effective for the cannabis industry and sustainable for communities.

Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely,

Britt Andreatta
1096 Via Regina, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: S G <sasha477m@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:19 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Williams, Das; Hartmann, Joan; peter.adam@sountyofsb.org; Lavagnino, Steve
Cc: Patty
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis – PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

We are reaching out to you regarding the proposed Conditional Use Permit requirement for cannabis cultivation. Your decision on this proposal represents a critical crossroads for Santa Barbara County and our community.

When we chose to live in Carpinteria over 22 years ago, it was for the same reasons other families made this area home: a love for natural beauty and the outdoors, a high quality of life and being part of a community that is rich in culture and diversity. Santa Barbara's recognized leadership and emphasis on protection of the environment has been a point of pride for us.

Most unfortunately, however, unconstrained, minimally regulated commercial cannabis production taking hold in Carpinteria and the County over the past 3 years has turned our community upside down. We live adjacent to an active cannabis production facility. Cannabis odor routinely invades our home – though we continue to report violations to the county, the county's standard response is that they can only "recommend" mitigation but not strictly enforce it. We have been precluded from keeping our windows open or spending evenings in our back yard, and are concerned about the long-term health impacts of such intensive production in close proximity. Our local schools (we live near Carpinteria High School) have been inundated with cannabis odor, which is simply unacceptable. Large scale cannabis production was allowed to proliferate without a proper level of review, oversight and enforcement, which has hurt the community and called into question the legitimacy of the approval process.

We therefore urge you to institute a Conditional Use Permit process for all cannabis cultivation, for the following reasons:

- Commercial cannabis cultivation is industrial production, with many potential impacts to the community – consideration of mitigation measures is essential
- Health, safety, environmental and quality of life concerns of county residents must be respected and integrated into the decision process
- Density of cannabis production and proximity to homes and schools dictates an even higher level of care and due diligence
- Other economic impacts need to be formally understood and considered, for example, impacts to our avocado and wine industries, as well as economic impacts to homeowners
- Transparency of the decision process is fundamental and is a critical foundation for effective and responsible governance.

Putting in place the Conditional Use Permit process for cannabis cultivation is the right step for the county, as recommended by the County's own planning commission. Please exercise good governance and approve this measure.

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

Alexander and Patricia Globa

1483 Anita St.
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Mobile: 818-419-2360

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Becca Wrench <becca.wrench@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:20 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Dean Wrench
Subject: approve CUPs for all cannabis applications including existing applications

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Dear Supervisors -

Please approve the recommendation from the planning commission and require CUPs for all cannabis applications, *including existing applications*.

Please require buffers of no less than 2 miles from existing neighborhoods.

The existing ordinances do not protect our neighborhoods and our quality of life, and it's the job of the board of supervisors to do what is required to protect us- we were here first, and it's not right that the cannabis industry is taking advantage of the lax ordinances and risking our neighborhoods for profit.

Protect us and our children.

Thanks
Becca and Dean Wrench

Ramirez, Angelica

From: MaryJane Dwyer <MDwyer@orcutt-schools.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:21 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Supervisor Gregg Hart, Chair of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors - Old Town Orcutt and possibility of a cannabis dispensary

Importance: High

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Dear Supervisor Hart,

As a born and raised citizen of Orcutt, I would like to strongly urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for the cannabis projects including dispensaries, retail outlets or storage areas in urban zone districts, most especially in the Old Town Orcutt area and for all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area as far as that goes.

Cannabis dispensaries impact communities and have strong potential to adversely impact neighborhood compatibility. Citizens have the right to voice their opposition or support of such projects, and only the CUP discretionary process provides the appropriate venue for this input. A land use permit process does not allow for adequate public input due to limitations in noticing. A CUP process ultimately will give you, as the decision makers, the most accurate appraisal of community opinion so as to make the best informed decision.

As a resident and a school district employee, I cannot believe that the Board of Supervisors would even consider putting in a cannabis dispensary close to a Jr High School and High School. Students frequent Old Town Market for lunch, snacks, a place to hang out with friends and socialize (when that was an okay thing to do) on early out and shortened days because of its close proximity to the schools and ease in walking to get there. Replacing such an establishment with a cannabis dispensary is simply ridiculous. It is not good for our neighborhoods, community, land values or families.

Please give the community the platform to voice our opinions and be heard. Don't just let someone buy their way in to our community through donations and promises.

Sincerely,

Mike and Mary Jane Dwyer
4368 Manchester Court
Orcutt, CA 93455
805-260-8277

"I am sure that if the mothers of various nations could meet, there would be no more wars." E.M. Forster

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Chris Sneathen <sneathen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:24 AM
To: sbcob; Hart, Gregg
Cc: Henson, Chris
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Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely,

Christopher Sneathen
1096 Via Regina, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Cyndi Nunez <cnunez@guildmortgage.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:30 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis dispensary land use permitting process.

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Supervisor Gregg Hart
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I am writing to urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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Your help is greatly appreciated!

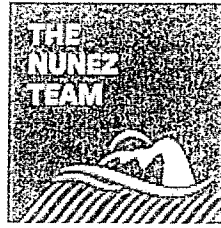
Sincerely,

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kevin Fox <kevinclarkfox@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:36 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Written Public Comments For Board of Supervisors meeting - Cannabis Ordinance Discussion.
Attachments: Ag Conflict white paper - final version.docx; Pesticide drift cases in SB County 1990 - 2020.pdf

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Please attach these documents to the cannabis ordinance public comments for tomorrow's board of supervisors meeting.

Cannabis and Agriculture Conflict – Are you shooting the Messenger?

The debate over Ag Conflict between cannabis growers and traditional crops centers on 3 primary issues.

- Odor
- Terpene drift
- Pesticide drift

We will address each of these topics separately by first identifying the current assumptions on the topic, introducing pertinent facts and offering mitigation solutions.

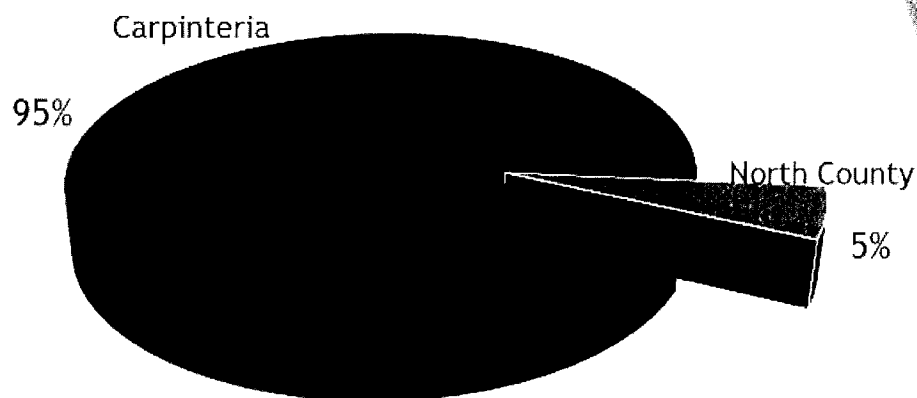
Cannabis (and other ag) Odor

Current Assumption: Cannabis odor is a county-wide issue

Pertinent facts:

Odor Complaints in Santa Barbara County

By location



Total complaints = 234

Recently, the county's lead official on cannabis, Barney Melekian, shared data showing that during the period of August 1, 2019 through October 31st, there were 234 odor complaints in Santa Barbara County. Mind you, this time frame covers the height of the 2019 summer cannabis harvest – a period where cannabis odor is most prevalent in outdoor grows. Of the 234 odor complaints – 221 or 95% - came from the Carpinteria area and just 13 were in reference to odor in North County.

Mason, Steve <Mason@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>
to me, Daniel, Petra

Tue, Feb 25, 1:41 PM (7 days ago)

Below is the location and general description of the odor complaints outside of Carpinteria.

There were 234 odor complaints in Q1 (08/01/2019 – 10/31/2019) of those, 221 were in the Carpinteria and 13 were in the North County. Two (2) (see the two highlighted in yellow below) in the North County were eradicated by the Sheriff and therefore, odor was abated through eradication.

The North County odor complaints received in Q1 broke down as follows:

5 - Unknown source/ general odor complaints: (1) Buellton area off of 246 near Buellton, (2) in Santa Maria off of Marvin Street, (2) Lompoc area off Avena Road.
3 - Outdoor personal cultivation (not allowed in a residential zone district): (3) Santa Maria.
1 - Self-eradicated in the Santa Ynez Valley (due to Board of Supervisors approving an ordinance amendment to not allow cultivation on properties zoned AG-I less than 20 acres.
2 - Odor complaint, but no cultivation found by Sheriff: (1) in the Santa Ynez Valley (maybe removed or self-eradicated prior to inspection), and (1) in the Lompoc/Buellton area (maybe removed or self-eradicated prior to inspection) . No odor complaint since.
1 - Eradicated by Sheriff (Probyl Cannabis/ 19ZEV-00000-00308/ Cebada Canyon Road, Lompoc). Odor was abated by eradication.
1 - Eradicated by Sheriff (Avo Vista Farms Cannabis/ 18ZEV-00000-00347/ Cebada Canyon Road, Lompoc). Odor was abated by eradication.

Regards

Steve Mason
Assistant Director
Planning & Development
122 E. Anapajima St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
[http://www.co.santa-barbara.ca.us/employees/steve-mason](mailto:Steve.Mason@co.santa-barbara.ca.us)

Breaking those numbers down further finds that 2 of those 13 odor complaints in North County were illegal grows in the Cebada Canyon area and 4 were legal residential grows. Another cannabis operator in the Santa Ynez Valley self-eradicated their crop due to zoning restrictions added last year by the Board of Supervisors on Ag I property on less than 20 acres.

In short, over half of the 13 odor complaints in North County were either illegal grows that were eradicated by the Sheriff, legal residential grows of cannabis consumers or self-eradication of crops in response to changes in the Cannabis Ordinance.

Are cannabis cultivators incident free in north county as it relates to cannabis odor? Not quite, but nearly so. The remaining 6 North County odor complaints at legal, state-licensed cultivation operations during the height of the 2019 summer harvest - represented less than 3% of the total number of odor complaints during peak harvest season.

Proposed mitigation

Existing studies indicate that odor from outdoor cannabis farms rarely leaves property lines. Odor is not an issue in North County, if managed responsibly. In those rare instances where odor is a problem in the North County, the North County Farmers Guild recommends implementing a tiered, odor abatement system if the odor is *persistent, pervasive, intrusive and perceptible outside the property boundary*.

Terpene Drift

Current Assumption: Cannabis has terpenes; eucalyptus leaves have terpenes. Terpenes in eucalyptus leaves are known to affect the taste of wines, based on an Australian study conducted in 2012 (4 years prior to the development of the county's cannabis PEIR).

Assuming all terpenes act the same, cannabis terpenes could affect the taste of wine.

Pertinent Facts:

At the December 6, 2019 Board of Supervisors meeting, Dr. William Vizuetta, Chief Scientific Officer at Pacific Environmental Analytics LLC presented a study entitled, ***Estimated emissions, concentration, and deposition of monoterpenes from an outdoor Cannabis farm.***

Among the findings, the study noted that, "for grape taint to occur (from cannabis), it would take 1,121 continuous days of flowering (assuming cannabis plants emit terpenes for 21 days prior to harvest)". This 12-page report, cites 9 different associated studies, and used proven scientific modeling techniques to draw its conclusions.

The 2012 Eucalyptus study focused exclusively on eucalyptol. No other monoterpenes (such as beta-myrcene, alpha-terpinene and terpinolene) have been found in peer reviewed studies causing taint.

While the 2012 eucalyptus study found that eucalyptol did affect the taste of the wine, when consumers were asked which taste they preferred (untainted wine or the wine tainted by the eucalyptol terpene) over half of them preferred the tainted wine.

Proposed Mitigation

County of Santa Barbara – as well as industry members – have a keen interest in unbiased evidence-based, peer-reviewed research on cannabis terpenes and any provable negative effect on wine grapes. Fund these studies to answer the question once and for all.

Any proposed setbacks would be premature until the opposition can definitively prove that cannabis terpenes negatively harm wine grapes.

Pesticide Drift

"Pesticide Drift is not allowed, not even a little bit."

- Cathy Fisher - Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner

Current Assumption: Pesticide drift is illegal – full stop. Cannabis growers do not utilize pesticides because, if detected, they would be prohibited from selling the tainted cannabis as flower – one of the most lucrative cannabis end products on the market today. Stringent consumer testing – mandated by state regulations – screens for pesticides.

Pertinent Facts

During the course of these hearings, the opposition to cannabis growers have attempted to soft-pedal this issue using such terms as, pesticide “waft” or pesticide “migration”. A rose, by any other name smells just as sweet, and pesticide drift by any other name is still illegal (see Ag Commissioner Fishers’ comment above).

One cannabis opponent went so far as to state as that pesticide migration” can occur, when ants sprayed with the pesticide wander off the property to infect their neighbors’ farm.

Asked to comment on that statement, Ag Commissioner Cathy Fisher responded, “Pesticides are designed to kill on contact; I don’t see how a dead ant can do that.” (use link below to view video from the proceedings)

<https://youtu.be/UFX6EcHhnB0>

Be that as it may, the real issue of this ag conflict is that the proposed solution – requiring buffer zones on cannabis projects – is the equivalent of shooting the messenger.

Cannabis growers – through their stringent product testing – have in essence assumed the role of an unofficial pesticide drift investigative team. They didn’t ask for this responsibility, and quite frankly, resent the fact that it’s been thrust upon them by the laissez faire enforcement of pesticide drift by the County.

As was recently reported by NPR, pesticide drift investigations and enforcement (especially relating to the application and drift of Dicamba) has been stretching resources thin of regulators across the country. These overworked regulators are leaving these positions and officials are finding it difficult finding replacements. (use link below to hear audio from the NPR report)

https://youtu.be/G0_4ldeBbm0

That does not appear to be the case in Santa Barbara County. In a records request filing with the county we asked for the records of all pesticide drift cases in the county going back 30 years. What we received was quite disturbing.

There have been **only 7 pesticide drift cases** recorded in Santa Barbara County in the last 30 years (see attached record request documents).

Proposed Mitigation

What we have is not an ag conflict issue, we have a pesticide drift enforcement issue and the county's solution is to punish the unofficial investigative team (cannabis growers) for "not leaving well enough alone".

Shouldn't the perpetrators of the illegal act (pesticide drift) be the ones that have buffers and setbacks imposed on their property, not the aggrieved party (cannabis cultivators)?

Is it the intent of the County of Santa Barbara to protect these criminal activities at the expense of the victims?

The resolution is simple; aggressively investigate and enforce pesticide drift, punish proven perpetrators and require buffers and setbacks on those farms utilizing pesticides.

In summary, Odor is not illegal on Ag II-100 properties nor should it be, terpene drift is not illegal nor has it been proven to be harmful to wine grapes, however pesticide drift is illegal yet minimally enforced (if at all) in Santa Barbara County.

Kevin Fox, member, North County Farmers Guild

Gmail

Kevin Fox <kevinclarkfox@gmail.com>

[Records Center] Public Records Request :: R000631-021220

1 message

County of Santa Barbara Public Records Request Center
<santabarbaracountyca@govqa.us>
To: "kevinclarkfox@gmail.com" <kevinclarkfox@gmail.com>

Fri, Apr 3, 2020 at
10:56 AM

--- Please respond above this line ---



RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST of February 12, 2020, Reference # R000631-021220

Dear kevin fox,

The County of Santa Barbara received a public information request from you on February 12, 2020. Your request mentioned:

"I'm looking for a list of all instances of pesticide drift in Santa Barbara County over the last 30 years. Preferably this list would be compiled in a document."

The County of Santa Barbara has reviewed its files and has located responsive records to your request. Please log in to the County of Santa Barbara Records Request Center to retrieve the appropriate responsive documents.

Public Records Request - R000631-021220

Please respond to this email if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

County of Santa Barbara

To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the County of Santa Barbara Records Request Center





Agricultural Commissioner's Office
Weights & Measures ■ County of Santa Barbara

Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

September 25, 2015
File Number 3-ACP-SB-15/16
Postal Receipt No. 7015 0640 0000 0908 7036

To: Herrera Farming
PO Box 6285
Santa Maria, CA 93456

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine you **\$1,100.00**.

Grounds upon which the proposed fine is based are as follows:

On September 5, 2014, this office received a complaint of drift from pesticide applications made at site 01 of Herrera Farming located near Blosser and Battles roads in Santa Maria, CA. As a result of the complaint, a representative from this office conducted an investigation which revealed that Herrera Farming applied Malathion 8 Aquamul (Loveland/34704-474), Lorsban Advanced (Dow Agrosciences/62719-591), and Ad Wet 90 CA (Simplot/7001-50005) to strawberries at site 01 on September 2 and 5, 2014. Research into nearby pesticide use revealed no other applications of the above listed pesticides were made within ¼ mile of the complainant's property during late August or early September. Research into the wind direction and speed demonstrated that on September 5, 2014, during the time of the application, the wind was blowing toward the complainant's property. The investigator collected foliage and swab samples to determine whether pesticide drift onto the complainant's property occurred. The results of the analyses of the samples, which had been sent to the California Department of Food and Agriculture Analytical Lab, revealed malathion and chlorpyrifos had drifted onto the complainant's property and house. The pattern and amounts of the pesticides found demonstrated the source of contamination was from one of the September 2014 pesticide applications made by Herrera Farming. The Lorsban Advanced label states,

"Do not allow spray to drift from the application site and contact people, structures people occupy at any time, and the associated property..."

Based on the complainant's testimony, the wind data, the lack of Lorsban and malathion applications made by other growers, and the presence and pattern of contamination, it has been determined that Herrera Farming failed to follow the Lorsban Advanced label directions to not allow spray to drift from the application site. The label violation also represents a violation of the Food and Agriculture section 12973. FAC §12973 states that the use of any pesticide shall not

conflict with labeling registered pursuant to this chapter which is delivered with the pesticide. A Class A fine of \$1,100.00 is proposed for this violation.

The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class A violations are violations of a law or regulation that caused a health, property, or environmental hazard. The fine range for class A violations is \$700.00 to \$5,000.00.

The violation was placed in the A class because drift of the Lorsban Advanced to private property caused a health hazard. The fine was placed in the middle of the fine range because although Herrera Farming has no previous enforcement actions, the Commissioner considered the health hazards associated with drifting Lorsban Advanced.

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 624 W. Foster Road, Ste. E, Santa Maria, CA 93455. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 934-6200.

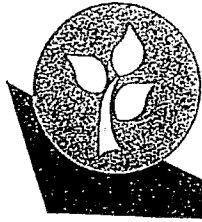
You are also entitled to a hearing to review the Commissioner's evidence and present any evidence, oral or written on your behalf, as to why the Commissioner should not take the proposed action. You are not required to be represented by legal counsel at the hearing, but your attorney may accompany and represent you if you wish. You will be provided a written decision of the Commissioner's finding. A transcript or recording will be made of the entire hearing proceeding and will be available for review on appeal to the Director of the California Department of Pesticide Regulation and by the courts.

A hearing in this matter will be scheduled and held at the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner located at the above-noted address, if you request a hearing by signing, dating and returning the enclosed Hearing Request within 20 days of receipt of this notice.

Failure to request a hearing within the allotted time is a waiver of the right to a hearing, and the Commissioner may take the action proposed in this notice without a hearing. Failure to request a hearing is a waiver of your right to appeal.

If you do not wish to request a hearing to contest the charges and proposed action, you may stipulate (agree) to the enclosed order by dating, signing, and returning the Stipulation and Waiver to Order along with your fine payment within 20 days of this notice.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



Agricultural Commissioner's Office
Weights & Measures ■ County of Santa Barbara

Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

November 13, 2015
File Number 4-ACP-SB-15/16
Postal Receipt No. 7015 0640 0000 0908 7043

To: Sorrento Berry Farms, LLC
2615 South Miller, Suite 107
Santa Maria, CA 93455

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine you **\$400.00**.

Grounds upon which the proposed fine is based are as follows:

On August 22, 2014, this office received a complaint of an odor from a resident of Hancock Park, located in Santa Maria, California. As a result of the complaint, representatives from this office conducted an investigation which included interviewing witnesses, researching pesticide use in the area around Hancock Park, researching wind and spray equipment data, and collecting samples.

The investigation revealed that on August 22, 2014, from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m., Sorrento Berry Farms' employees applied Pristine, Epi-Mek, Rimon, Malathion, and Widespred Max to strawberries growing approximately 114 feet away from the complainant's property. This office collected foliage samples according to the sampling procedures set forth by the Department of Pesticide Regulation from the treated field, the weeds north of the field, and an olive tree on the complainant's property. The samples were sent to the California Department of Food and Agriculture Center for Analytical Chemistry Lab for analysis. The results showed that boscalid, an active ingredient in Pristine, was found in a gradient pattern from the application area to the complainant's property. The presence and pattern of contamination indicated drift from the treated field occurred. Sorrento employees stated the spray rig was equipped with TeeJet Disc-Core type Hollow cone Spray tips size D2, DC25 and the pressure was 150 psi, which according to the manufacture and ASAE (S572) information, produces a very fine droplet size. There was no drift retardant in the tank mix. The wind during the application was calm. The combination of the very fine spray mist from the application equipment and the stagnant air were factors that caused the Pristine to remain aerosolized and move to the Leonard's property. No other growers within a quarter of a mile have reported using Pristine during the two weeks prior to Sorrento's August 22nd application.

Based on the presence and pattern of boscalid contamination, and the fine spray mist produced by the nozzle type and high pressure, it has been determined that a violation of the California Code of

Regulations section 6600(b), General Standards of Care, occurred. CCR §6600(b) states that each person performing pest control shall perform all pest control in a careful and effective manner. A class B fine of \$400 is proposed for this violation.

The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class B violations are violations of a law or regulation that mitigates the risk of adverse health, property, or environmental effects that is not designated as Class A. The fine range for class B violations is \$250.00 to \$1,000.00.

The violation was placed in the B class because the requirement to apply pesticides in a careful manner mitigates the risk of adverse effects of using a pesticide. The fine was placed in the middle of the range because Sorrento Berry Farms has a recent enforcement action.

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 624 W. Foster Road Ste. E, Santa Maria, CA 93455. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 934-6200.

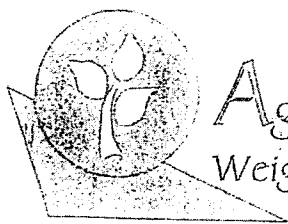
You are also entitled to a hearing to review the Commissioner's evidence and present any evidence, oral or written on your behalf, as to why the Commissioner should not take the proposed action. You are not required to be represented by legal counsel at the hearing, but your attorney may accompany and represent you if you wish. You will be provided a written decision of the Commissioner's finding. A transcript or recording will be made of the entire hearing proceeding and will be available for review on appeal to the Director of the California Department of Pesticide Regulation and by the courts.

A hearing in this matter will be scheduled and held at the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner located at the above-noted address, if you request a hearing by signing, dating and returning the enclosed Hearing Request within 20 days of receipt of this notice.

Failure to request a hearing within the allotted time is a waiver of the right to a hearing, and the Commissioner may take the action proposed in this notice without a hearing. Failure to request a hearing is a waiver of your right to appeal.

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Dated: _____ Signed: _____
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



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Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

March 15, 2018
File Number 9-ACP-SB-17/18
Postal Receipt No. 7017 0660 0001 1568 5920

To: Eynon Management, Inc.
600 Airport Road
Oceanside, CA 92058

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine you **\$2400.00** for one count of violating the California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6614(a), Protection of Persons, Animals, and Property.

FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

On May 11, 2017, between approximately 7:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., Eynon employee, Saul Mena applied Alligare Tebuthiuron 80 WG (EPA Reg Number 81927-37-AA), Alligare SFM 75 (EPA Reg Number 81927-26-AA), and Alligare Glyphosate 4 (EPA Reg Number 81927-34-AA) as a spot treatment to fence lines to control both pre-emergent and post-emergent weeds at a Phillips 66 site on Battles Road in Santa Maria, CA, using a handheld spray wand attached by hose to a pressurized truck mounted tank. The active ingredient in Alligare Tebuthiuron 80 WG is tebuthiuron and the active ingredient in Alligare SFM 75 is sulfometuron methyl.

The application site consisted of bare ground, and weeds growing primarily in the vicinity of the fence lines along the perimeter of the property. To the south and east of the treated site was a field operated by OSR Enterprises that had been planted in lettuce on four successive dates beginning on April 12, 2017.

Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (SBCAC) received a complaint of damage from a property operator growing lettuce in a field adjacent to the treated area. The property operator reported damage to the lettuce after overhead irrigating to wash dust off the plants. During a visit to the site, SBCAC staff observed damage to lettuce growing closest to the treated fence lines. The damage was less noticeable further away from the treated area.

SBCAC staff obtained the local weather forecast. The forecast predicted no rain for May 11th or for the following few days. The wind forecast for the morning of May 11th was from the south from 8-18 mph and in the afternoon from the northwest at 32-46 mph. Similar wind direction and speed was forecast for the following few days. Actual wind speeds and direction recorded at and reported from the Santa Maria Airport located approximately 3.5 miles southwest of the treated site during the application were from the west and WNW between 3.5 mph and 5.8 mph, and after the application from the NW at 17.3 mph with gusts up to 23 mph. Wind readings on May 12th were recorded at 29.9 mph with gusts to 39.1 mph.

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Mr. Mena stated he measured the wind at 7:45 a.m. at approximately 3 mph however, he did not report taking additional readings or that he consulted the weather forecast.

SBCAC staff took soil and foliage samples on June 7th, June 20th, and July 25th to determine if the Eynon application was the source of the damage to the lettuce field. Analyses of the samples taken from the treated area, the area between the treated area, and the adjacent lettuce field all detected tebuthiuron and sulfometuron methyl. The pattern and amounts of the tebuthiuron and sulfometuron methyl indicate the source of the contamination was the Eynon application. SBCAC staff researched pesticide applications to other fields within ¼ mile of the treated area and did not find additional applications of tebuthiuron and sulfometuron methyl.

Additional lettuce samples were taken and analyzed for disease and insects as the cause of the damage, however the results were negative.

Staff review of the Alligare SFM 75 label revealed several statements that warned of hazards to surrounding properties. Under the "Environmental Hazards" paragraph is the statement, "*Exposure to Alligare SFM 75 can injure or kill plants. Damage to susceptible plants can occur when soil particles are blown or washed off target onto cropland.*" and, "*Do not apply when weather conditions favor drift from treated areas.*"

Under the "Application Restrictions" paragraph are the statements, "*Applications must not be made to soil that is subject to wind erosion when less than a 60% chance of rainfall is predicted to occur in the treatment area within 48 hours. Soils that are subject to wind erosion usually have a high silt and /or fine to very fine sand fractions. Soils with low organic matter also tend to be prone to wind erosion.*"

Under the "Important Precautions and Restrictions for Agricultural and Nonagricultural Uses" paragraph are the statements "... (2) *Injury to crops may result if treated soil is washed, blown, or moved onto land used to produce crops. Exposure to Alligare SFM 75 may injure or kill most crops. Injury may be more severe when the crops are irrigated.* (3) *Applications made where runoff water flows onto agricultural land may injure crops.*"

Under the "Restrictions" paragraph is the statement, "*Treatment of powdery, dry soil or light, sandy soil when there is little likelihood of rainfall soon after treatment may result in off target movement and possible damage to susceptible crops when soil particles are moved by wind or water. DO NOT apply Alligare SFM 75 when these conditions are identified and powdery, dry soil or light, sandy soil are known to be prevalent in the area to be treated.*"

VIOLATION:

The California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6614(a) states,

"An applicator prior to and while applying a pesticide shall evaluate the equipment to be used, meteorological conditions, the property to be treated, and surrounding properties to determine the likelihood of harm or damage."

Prior to the application, Mr. Mena failed to evaluate the likelihood of damage to surrounding property resulting from the use of Alligare SFM 75 at the Phillips 66 site. The Alligare SFM 75 label warns of potential damage from both drift and soil moving off the treated site.

The weather forecasted no rain for the few days following the application and high wind speeds from the NW to SE on the afternoon of the application and following few days. The actual wind on May 11th during the application was up to 5.8 mph and on May 12th gusted to over 39 mph. There was an agricultural field immediately adjacent to and downwind from the treatment site planted in an agricultural crop (lettuce) that was vulnerable to damage from sulfometuron methyl. The ground at the treatment site was relatively bare of vegetation and consisted of sandy soil subject to movement by the wind.

PENALTY:

A Class A fine of \$2400.00 is proposed for this violation. The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class A violations are defined in relevant part as violations that caused a health, property, or environmental hazard. The fine range for class A violations is \$700.00 to \$5,000.00. The violation was placed in the A class because failure to accurately evaluate a site prior to treatment caused a hazard to adjacent property. The violation was placed in the middle of the range because although Eynon, Inc. has no recent enforcement history, the damage to the adjacent property was substantial.

Enclosures

A copy of the text of Food and Agricultural Code section 12999.5, 3 CCR sections, 6130 and 6614 are enclosed for your convenience.

You May Review the Evidence Against You:

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 624 W. Foster Road Ste. E, Santa Maria, CA 93455. We will provide one copy of the case file free of charge. We may charge you reasonable costs for additional copies. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 934-6200.

You May Request a Hearing and Present Evidence at the Hearing

You may request a hearing to review the Commissioner's evidence, and to present any evidence, oral or written, on your behalf. You are not required to be represented by legal counsel at the hearing. Your attorney may accompany you and represent you if you wish. You will be provided a written decision of the Commissioner's finding. Although not required by the authorizing statute, a tape-recording will be made of the hearing proceedings. If you require a translator at the hearing, you must inform the Commissioner within 7 days before the scheduled hearing date.

How to Request a Hearing - Failure to Request – FAC section 12999.5

A hearing in this matter will be scheduled and held at the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner located at the above-noted address, if you request a hearing by signing, dating and returning the enclosed Hearing Request within 20 days of receipt of this Notice of Proposed Action.

Failure to request a hearing within the allotted time is a waiver of the right to a hearing, and the Commissioner may take the action proposed in this notice without a hearing. Further, failure to request a hearing is a waiver of your right to appeal the Commissioner's decision.

Stipulation and Waiver to Order – FAC section 12999.5

If you do not wish to request a hearing to contest the charges and proposed action, you may stipulate (agree) to the enclosed order by dating, signing, and returning the Stipulation and Waiver to Order along with your fine payment within 20 days of this notice.

Appeal Rights After Hearing – FAC section 12999.5

Should you disagree with the Commissioner's decision, you may request an appeal to the Director of DPR within 30 days of receiving the Commissioner's decision and order. However, you waive these appeal rights if you do not request and attend the hearing at the scheduled time and date, or if you fail to request an appeal within the 30-day time frame.

The request for appeal must be mailed to the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Director), 1001 I Street, P.O. Box 4015, Sacramento, California 95812-4015. The request for appeal:

1. Must be signed by you or your authorized agent; and
2. Must state the grounds for the appeal; and
3. Must include a copy of the Commissioner's Decision and Order; and
4. Must be filed or mailed to the Commissioner at the same time you mail it to the Director.

Failure to follow any of the above requirements may affect your right to appeal. If the Director grants an appeal, you will receive the Director's written decision approximately 45 days after receipt of your appeal, or as soon thereafter as practical.

Pesticide Incident Reimbursement Notice - FAC section 12997.5

Any person found in violation of pesticide laws and regulations that resulted in illness or injury requiring emergency medical transport or emergency medical treatment of any individual, in a non-occupational setting, from a pesticide used in the production of an agricultural commodity shall be liable to the individual harmed or to the medical provider for the immediate costs of uncompensated medical care from acute injuries and illnesses of the exposed individual.

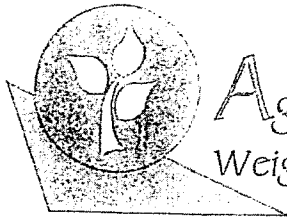
Timely Reimbursement - Penalty Offset and Proof Notice – FAC sections 12996.5 and 12997.5

If you offer to reimburse, or have already reimbursed, the immediate medical costs for acute medical illnesses and injury, the Commissioner may reduce the proposed administrative civil penalty by an amount up to fifty percent. You must request a hearing and provide proof at the hearing of immediate reimbursement in order for the Commissioner to consider reducing the penalty.

Schools Notice – FAC section 12999.5(b)

If you receive a civil penalty for pesticide drift in a school area subject to FAC section 11503.5 that results in a Class A violation as defined in 3 CCR section 6130, the Commissioner shall charge a fee, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50), for processing and monitoring each subsequent pesticide application that may pose a risk of drift, until you have completed 24 months without another Class A violation (as defined by 3 CCR section 6130).

Dated: 3-15-18 Signed: C. Fisher
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



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ORDER

To: Eynon Management, Inc.
600 Airport Road
Oceanside, CA 92058

File Number 9-ACP-SB-17/18

Order: It is hereby ordered that Eynon, Inc. be fined **\$2400.00**. This fine is now due and payable.

C. Fisher

Cathleen M. Fisher
Agricultural Commissioner

Instructions to Respondent:

If you wish to pay the fine and not request (waive) a hearing, you may sign the Stipulation and Waiver to Order below. By doing so, you also waive your right to an appeal or any other review in this matter. If you wish to sign the Stipulation and Waiver to Order, you must submit it to the Agricultural Commissioner within 20 days of receipt of this notice.

STIPULATION AND WAIVER TO ORDER

I acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Proposed Action and hereby stipulate that the Agricultural Commissioner's Notice of Proposed Action in the above entitled matter states grounds for disciplinary action based on the evidence now before the Commissioner.

Without admitting to the violations alleged in the Notice of Proposed Action, I stipulate to the Commissioner's Order, as set forth above, and I waive all rights to a hearing and appeal or any other review in this matter.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____

Please make the check payable to County of Santa Barbara. Mail the check and signed Stipulation and Waiver to Order to the:

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Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

November 1, 2018
File Number 5-ACP-SB-18/19
Postal Receipt No. 7017 0660 0001 1568 6033.

To: Hilltop Produce
1141 Tama Lane
Santa Maria, CA 93455

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine Hilltop Produce **\$1,000.00** for one count of violating the California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6614(b,1), Protection of Persons, Animals, and Property. A representative of this office witnessed a pesticide application drifting across a public road posing a reasonable possibility of contamination of persons not involved in the application.

FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

On August 13, 2018, a representative from this office inspected Hilltop Produce employee, Rigo Rivera, applying Acramite 50WS (EPA Reg. No. 400-503), Savey 50 DF (EPA Reg. No. 10163-250), Choice Weather Master (EPA Reg. No. 34704-50038), LI 700 (EPA Reg. No. 34704-50035), and Freeway (EPA Reg. No. 34704-50031) to 15 acres of strawberries growing on site 3. Site 3 is immediately west of and adjacent to Blosser Road, a four lane road on which numerous cars were travelling. The inspector witnessed and videotaped the pesticide drifting onto the cars travelling on Blosser Road. He also recorded wind speeds up to 13 mph and discovered the applicator was using Albuz ATR 80 nozzles, which according to the manufacturer's information produce a "very fine" particle size.

VIOLATION:

The California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6614(b,1) Protection of Persons, Animals, and Property states:

(b) Notwithstanding that substantial drift would be prevented, no pesticide application shall be made or continued when:

(1) There is a reasonable possibility of contamination of the bodies or clothing of persons not involved in the application process.

Using nozzles that produced a fine spray droplet while spraying during relatively high winds to a field in close physical proximity to Blosser Road where there was constant vehicular traffic supports that it was reasonable people not involved in the application might be contaminated.

PENALTY:

A Class B fine of \$1000.00 is proposed for this violation. The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class B violations are violations of a law or regulation that mitigates the risk of adverse health, property, or environmental effects that is not designated as Class A. The fine range for Class B violations is \$250.00 to \$1000.00.

The violation has been placed in the B class because the requirement to post-pone or stop a pesticide application when there is a reasonable possibility of contamination to people mitigates the risk of adverse health effects. The violation was placed at the high end range because although Hilltop Produce has no prior enforcement history, there was a risk of contaminating people by applying pesticides in high wind conditions adjacent to a public road.

Enclosures

A copy of the text of Food and Agricultural Code sections 12999.5 and California Code of Regulations section 6614 are enclosed for your convenience.

You May Review the Evidence Against You:

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 624 W. Foster Road Ste. E, Santa Maria, CA 93455. We will provide one copy of the case file free of charge. We may charge you reasonable costs for additional copies. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 934-6200.

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How to Request a Hearing - Failure to Request – FAC section 12999.5

A hearing in this matter will be scheduled and held at the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner located at the above-noted address, if you request a hearing by signing, dating and returning the enclosed Hearing Request within 20 days of receipt of this Notice of Proposed Action.

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Stipulation and Waiver to Order – FAC section 12999.5

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Pesticide Incident Reimbursement Notice - FAC section 12997.5

Any person found in violation of pesticide laws and regulations that resulted in illness or injury requiring emergency medical transport or emergency medical treatment of any individual, in a non-occupational setting, from a pesticide used in the production of an agricultural commodity shall be liable to the individual harmed or to the medical provider for the immediate costs of uncompensated medical care from acute injuries and illnesses of the exposed individual.

Timely Reimbursement - Penalty Offset and Proof Notice – FAC sections 12996.5 and 12997.5

If you offer to reimburse, or have already reimbursed, the immediate medical costs for acute medical illnesses and injury, the Commissioner may reduce the proposed administrative civil penalty by an amount up to fifty percent. You must request a hearing and provide proof at the hearing of immediate reimbursement in order for the Commissioner to consider reducing the penalty.

Schools Notice – FAC section 12999.5(b)

If you receive a civil penalty for pesticide drift in a school area subject to FAC section 11503.5 that results in a Class A violation as defined in 3 CCR section 6130, the Commissioner shall charge a fee, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50), for processing and monitoring each subsequent pesticide application that may pose a risk of drift, until you have completed 24 months without another Class A violation (as defined by 3 CCR section 6130).

Dated: _____ Signed: _____
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



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Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

December 6, 2019
File Number 16-ACP-SB-19/20
Postal Receipt No. 7016 0750 0000 1549 1679

To: Chalky Ridge Vineyard Management
PO Box 190
Arroyo Grande, CA 93421

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine Chalky Ridge Vineyard Management \$700.00 for one count of violating Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6614(a), Protection for Persons, Animals, and Property for failure to accurately evaluate application factors prior to and while applying a pesticide to determine the likelihood of harm or damage.

FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

On June 12, 2019, this office received a complaint from Central Coast Agriculture of possible drift to their cannabis from a Chalky Ridge pesticide application to Fiddlesticks (dba Fiddlestix) Vineyard. The department began an investigation that included interviewing witnesses, visiting the site, and taking foliage samples as well as researching and reviewing other relevant information.

The relevant results of the investigation are summarized below:

The northern edge Fiddlesticks Vineyard wine grapes is located approximately 150 feet south of Central Coast Agriculture's (CCAg) cannabis growing in open-sided and open-ended hoop houses. Chalky Ridge employees, Manuel Lagunas and Sergio Martínez, applied Rally 40 WSP (Corteva Agrisciences/EPA Reg Number 62719-410) over several days starting May 23, 2019, and ending on May 28, 2019, to wine grapes growing at Fiddlesticks Vineyard. The active ingredient in Rally is myclobutanil. Beginning on June 12, 2019, through June 15, 2019, the same applicators applied Flint Extra (Bayer/EPA Reg Number 264-826) to the same vineyard. The active ingredient in Flint is trifloxystrobin. The Agricultural Commissioner's staff researched pesticide use reports for Rally and Flint applications in areas surrounding Fiddlesticks Vineyard and found no other use of either pesticide for 2019 for at least ½ mile surrounding the Fiddlesticks vineyard. Chalky Ridge employees were aware that cannabis was being grown on the adjacent property, however neither party spoke to one another regarding farming practices. CCAg had moved to that site in March and began harvesting their cannabis crop in June.

The California Code of Regulations Title 16 section 5719, *Residual Pesticides Testing*, establishes action levels for residues of a number of pesticides, including myclobutanil and trifloxystrobin. The action level for both myclobutanil and trifloxystrobin on inhalable cannabis is .1 microgram/gram.

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1. The applicators used air blast equipment that is known to produce extremely fine spray droplet sizes.
2. Neither applicator possessed an anemometer or other means to accurately measure the wind speed at the site either before or during their work shifts of approximately nine hours.
3. They also did not determine or record wind direction at regular intervals during their work shift.
4. Fiddlesticks Vineyard is approximately 100 acres and typically the entire vineyard was treated approximately every 14 days. In May, Chalky Ridge applied 31.25 pounds of Rally and in June applied 2.73 gallons of Flint.
5. The two properties are located adjacent to one another with only 150 feet between the vineyard and the cannabis crop.
6. Chalky Ridge employees did not discuss possible pesticide related issues with CCAg to determine whether possible drift or contamination might be a problem, nor were they aware that myclobutanil and trifloxystrobin were pesticides listed in 16 CCR §5719 as having action levels on cannabis.

All of these factors demonstrate that Chalky Ridge failed to adequately determine the likelihood of harm or damage to the adjacent crop in violation of CCR §6614(a).

PENALTY:

A Class A fine of \$700.00 is proposed for this violation. The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class A violations are violations of a law or regulation that caused a health, property, or environmental hazard. The fine range for Class A violations is \$700.00 to \$5000.00.

The violation was placed in the A class because the failure to adequately evaluate the application factors and site conditions resulted in a hazard to CCAg's crop. The fine was placed at the low end of the range because Chalky Ridge Vineyard Management has no history of compliance or enforcement actions.

Enclosures:

A copy of the text of Food and Agricultural Code section 12999.5 and 3 CCR sections 6130 and 6614, are enclosed for your convenience.

You May Review the Evidence Against You:

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 185 W. Highway 246 Suite 101, Buellton, CA 93427. We will provide one copy of the case file free of charge. We may charge you reasonable costs for additional copies. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 688-5331.

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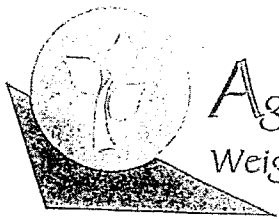
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Dated: 12-6-19 Signed: C. Fisher
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



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Notice of Proposed Action
Nature of Violation
And Right to Request Hearing

January 31, 2020
File Number 23-ACP-SB-19/20
Postal Receipt No. 7016 0750 0000 1549 1891

To: Valley Farms
318 N. Pine St.
Santa Maria, CA 93458

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12999.5 of the California Food and Agricultural Code the Commissioner proposes to fine you **\$1,100.00** for one count of violating the California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 6600(b) for failure to apply a pesticide in a careful and effective manner.

FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

On May 8, 2019, a representative of Mesa View Produce reported suspected drift from a Caparol application to Valley Farms strawberries growing on site 01 near Battles and Blosser Roads in Santa Maria. On the same day, Ignacio Partido, Valley Farms owner, reported his employees had applied Caparol (Syngenta/EPA Reg. No. 100-620) that had been delivered to Valley by Helena Chemical Corp. instead of Captan, which Valley Farms had ordered. The active ingredient in Caparol is prometryn, which is an herbicide. The active ingredient in Captan is captan, which is a fungicide. The Valley Farms applicators mistakenly applied the Caparol to Valley Farms' strawberries but Caparol is not registered for use on strawberries. The Caparol label directs users to read the entire label "Directions for Use" before using.

The Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (SBCAC) began an investigation into the alleged drift that included interviewing witnesses, sampling fruit, and researching weather and surrounding pesticide use. The investigation revealed that each night on May 3 & 4, 2019, employees of Valley Farms applied Caparol 4L to 22.5 and 18.5 acres respectively, of strawberries growing on Valley Farms site 01. Pesticide mix/loader and supervisor Alfonso Quintero, and applicator, Armando Figueroa, stated the applications began around 5:30-6 p.m. and ended at 9:00 p.m. each night. Mr. Quintero stated he transferred the Captan information from the pest control advisor's recommendation for Captan to his phone, and then to a piece of cardboard and did not work from the original recommendation. Both handlers stated they did not read the label and neither noticed the pesticide they were mixing, loading, and applying was Caparol and not Captan. Both handlers stated they evaluated the site for hazards and Mr. Quintero stated they left a buffer zone the size of the spray boom around the field perimeter.

A few days after the applications, Mesa View Produce pest control advisor, Lane Stoeckle, became concerned that the pesticide may have drifted to their strawberries. He called the SBCAC stating he had sent samples of Mesa View's strawberries for laboratory analysis that had come back

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positive for prometryn. The two farms are located adjacent to one another with a field road separating them. Mesa View is located downwind of the prevailing wind from Valley Farms. To determine whether drift had occurred, the SBCAC staff took a 9 point grid composite sample of Valley Farms strawberry field which came back positive for prometryn at .96 ppm confirming a Caparol application had occurred. The staff also took five samples of strawberries from both farms to determine whether drift had occurred. Two of the samples came back positive; one from Valley Farms treated strawberry field at .63 ppm prometryn, and one from Mesa View Produce's field at .01 ppm, indicating drift had occurred from the Valley Farms application to the Mesa View field.

The SBCAC staff researched surrounding pesticide use and discovered that no use of prometryn had been reported within ¼ mile in the last 30 days.

The applicators stated there was minimal to no wind on either of the nights during the application and Mr. Quintero described the nights as clear. The wind from a weather station located approximately 2 miles south of the Valley Farms field confirmed that several times during the applications the wind was calm. However, the station reported that at 5:51 p.m., just prior to the application beginning on May 3rd, the wind was from the north-northwest at 3 mph and on both nights the sky was either cloudy or foggy.

VIOLATION COUNT 1:

The CCR section 6600(b) states,

"Each person performing pest control shall... (b) Perform all pest control in a careful and effective manner."

Valley Farms applicators stated they did not read the label of the pesticide they were applying and did not notice they applied Caparol instead of Captan on either May 3rd or 4th. Sample analysis results showed the strawberries growing on the adjacent property had been contaminated with prometryn. Failure to insure the correct pesticide was applied and did not contaminate an adjacent crop represents failure to perform the pest control in a careful and effective manner.

PENALTY:

A Class A fine of \$1,100.00 is proposed for this violation. The class of the proposed fine and the fine amount are defined in the California Code of Regulations section 6130. CCR §6130 lists three types of violations; Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class A violations are violations of a law or regulation that caused a health, property, or environmental hazard. The fine range for Class A violations is \$700.00 to \$5000.00.

The violation was placed in the A class because failure to perform pest control in a careful and effective manner in this incident caused a health and property hazard. The fine was placed in the middle of the range because Valley Farms failed to notice they were applying the incorrect pesticide on two separate occasions, the application contaminated a nearby field, and Valley Farms strawberries were harvested and sent to a cooler prior to discovery of the contamination.

Enclosures

A copy of the text of the Food and Agricultural Code section 12999.5 and CCR sections 6130 and 6600 are enclosed for your convenience.

You May Review the Evidence Against You:

You are entitled to review the Commissioner's evidence supporting these charges during regular business hours at the office of the Agricultural Commissioner located at 624 W. Foster Road Ste. E, Santa Maria, CA 93455. We will provide one copy of the case file free of charge. We may charge you reasonable costs for additional copies. You may make an appointment to review the evidence against you by calling Debbie Trupe at (805) 688-5331.

You May Request a Hearing and Present Evidence at the Hearing

You may request a hearing to review the Commissioner's evidence, and to present any evidence, oral or written, on your behalf. You are not required to be represented by legal counsel at the hearing. Your attorney may accompany you and represent you if you wish. You will be provided a written decision of the Commissioner's finding. Although not required by the authorizing statute, a tape-recording will be made of the hearing proceedings. If you require a translator at the hearing, you must inform the Commissioner within 7 days before the scheduled hearing date.

How to Request a Hearing - Failure to Request – FAC section 12999.5

A hearing in this matter will be scheduled and held at the office of the County Agricultural Commissioner located at the above-noted address, if you request a hearing by signing, dating and returning the enclosed Hearing Request within 20 days of receipt of this Notice of Proposed Action.

Failure to request a hearing within the allotted time is a waiver of the right to a hearing, and the Commissioner may take the action proposed in this notice without a hearing. Further, failure to request a hearing is a waiver of your right to appeal the Commissioner's decision.

Stipulation and Waiver to Order – FAC section 12999.5

If you do not wish to request a hearing to contest the charges and proposed action, you may stipulate (agree) to the enclosed order by dating, signing, and returning the Stipulation and Waiver to Order along with your fine payment within 20 days of this notice.

Appeal Rights After Hearing – FAC section 12999.5

Should you disagree with the Commissioner's decision, you may request an appeal to the Director of DPR within 30 days of receiving the Commissioner's decision and order. However, you waive these appeal rights if you do not request and attend the hearing at the scheduled time and date, or if you fail to request an appeal within the 30-day time frame.

The request for appeal must be mailed to the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation (Director), 1001 I Street, P.O. Box 4015, Sacramento, California 95812-4015.

The request for appeal:

1. Must be signed by you or your authorized agent; and
2. Must state the grounds for the appeal; and
3. Must include a copy of the Commissioner's Decision and Order; and
4. Must be filed or mailed to the Commissioner at the same time you mail it to the Director.

Failure to follow any of the above requirements may affect your right to appeal.

If the Director grants an appeal, you will receive the Director's written decision approximately 45 days after receipt of your appeal, or as soon thereafter as practical.

Pesticide Incident Reimbursement Notice - FAC section 12997.5

Any person found in violation of pesticide laws and regulations that resulted in illness or injury requiring emergency medical transport or emergency medical treatment of any individual, in a non-occupational setting, from a pesticide used in the production of an agricultural commodity shall be liable to the individual harmed or to the medical provider for the immediate costs of uncompensated medical care from acute injuries and illnesses of the exposed individual.

Timely Reimbursement - Penalty Offset and Proof Notice – FAC sections 12996.5 and 12997.5

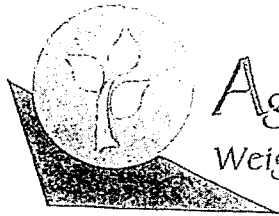
If you offer to reimburse, or have already reimbursed, the immediate medical costs for acute medical illnesses and injury, the Commissioner may reduce the proposed administrative civil penalty by an amount up to fifty percent. You must request a hearing and provide proof at the hearing of immediate reimbursement in order for the Commissioner to consider reducing the penalty.

Schools Notice – FAC section 12999.5(b)

If you receive a civil penalty for pesticide drift in a school area subject to FAC section 11503.5 that results in a Class A violation as defined in 3 CCR section 6130, the Commissioner shall charge a fee, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50), for processing and monitoring each subsequent pesticide application that may pose a risk of drift, until you have completed 24 months without another Class A violation (as defined by 3 CCR section 6130).

Dated: Jan 31 2020 Signed: _____

C. Fisher
Cathleen M. Fisher, Agricultural Commissioner



Agricultural Commissioner's Office
Weights & Measures □ County of Santa Barbara

ORDER

To: Valley Farms
318 N. Pine St.
Santa Maria, CA 93458

File Number 23-ACP-SB-19/20

Order: It is hereby ordered that Valley Farms be fined **\$1,100.00**. This fine is now due and payable.

C. Fisher

Cathleen M. Fisher
Agricultural Commissioner

Instructions to Respondent:

If you wish to pay the fine and not request (waive) a hearing, you may sign the Stipulation and Waiver to Order below. By doing so, you also waive your right to an appeal or any other review in this matter. If you wish to sign the Stipulation and Waiver to Order, you must submit it to the Agricultural Commissioner within 20 days of receipt of this notice.

STIPULATION AND WAIVER TO ORDER

I acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Proposed Action and hereby stipulate that the Agricultural Commissioner's Notice of Proposed Action in the above entitled matter states grounds for disciplinary action based on the evidence now before the Commissioner.

Without admitting to the violations alleged in the Notice of Proposed Action, I stipulate to the Commissioner's Order, as set forth above, and I waive all rights to a hearing and appeal or any other review in this matter.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____

Please make the check payable to County of Santa Barbara. Mail the check and signed Stipulation and Waiver to Order to the:

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: William Vasquez <willvasquezvmg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:40 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Community Feedback on Cannabis hearing June 2, 2020

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TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD

Dear SBCBOS:

I live and own my home at 7880 Rio Vista Drive, the "San Miguel" tract in the Winchester Canyon neighborhood. I absolutely do not want any sort of larger-scale growing of Marijuana, or anything related, that would produce a strong or toxic odor, such as that pot plants emit. We used to live in Carpinteria, and when we visit the area we see how absolutely terrible it is to live anywhere near the growing businesses - we can't stand the smell - it permeates EVERYTHING, plus consider our safety concerns and child-welfare concerns which are also well documented.

Please support the following items below, that our neighborhood has largely adopted:

- 1) Requiring CUPs for all cannabis applications, including those already in process, (and continue public input)
- 2) Requiring buffers of no less than 2 miles from existing neighborhoods. (farther would be better!!)

We also want you (SBCBOS) to reserve the right to re-visit/review an approved application should there be unforeseen negative impacts for our neighborhood. We also want full transparency in terms of ownership, applications, approval process, decision process, proposed and approved scope of the business, and ownership details, insuring that individuals cannot hide behind LLC or Corporations - we want to know that historical bad actors are not setting up shop in our City or neighborhood.

Please know that I'm not against legal growing, I'm against bad policy that ignores the majority of people impacted.

Will Vasquez
Rio Vista Drive, Goleta

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Monica Lenches <home4while@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:41 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Letter in Support of Requiring CUPs for All Cannabis Projects - Please Read

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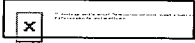
Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely,

Monica Lenches, Realtor
2962 Hidden Valley Ln.
Santa Barbara, CA 93108



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Creating "A Kinder World", One Home at a Time

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Guy <guywalker@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:43 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Ordinance

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Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely,

Guy Walker

7883 Rio Vista Drive

Goleta

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Lauren Gleason <laurengleason3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:56 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Britt Andreatta
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

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January 1, 2020

Dear Chairman Hart and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to you today as a resident of the unincorporated region of Santa Barbara County to urge your to vote in favor of requiring all cannabis applications, including those already submitted, to complete the Conditional Use Permit process. This process will help ensure the voice of residents is heard as well as the recommendations of the Planning Commission. It is of utmost importance that EACH application receive a thorough, thoughtful and public review.

I urge you to follow the unanimous recommendation of the Planning Commission in required CUPs for ALL commercial cannabis applications, including nurseries.

Thank you,
Lauren Gleason

1128 Via Regina
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Kara Miller <karainthekitchen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:55 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permits

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Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I would like to suggest that cannabis dispensaries obtain a conditional use permit in order to occupy a location. I hope you will consider this in your vote tomorrow. Thank you!

All the best,

Kara Miller

Business Owner
Kara J. Miller
kara.j.miller
Bravo Pizza

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Carey Donly <cdonly@altamontllc.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 11:01 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Cannabis

Importance: High

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing on behalf of Bruce and Suzie Kovner, residents on Padaro Lane in Carpinteria, to request that you vote in favor of requiring Conditional Use Permits for Cannabis cultivation and processing in Santa Barbara county.

We feel that it is important for our community to have regulatory processes in place to oversee and maintain safe operations, thus keeping our community healthy and free of issues related to these cannabis operations.

Thank you,
Carey Donly

Carey Donly
Director of Properties
Office 212.205.6844
Cell 646.420.6374
cdonly@altamontllc.com

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Mary O'Gorman <mary.ogorman@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 11:05 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Gregg Hart; Henson, Chris
Subject: BOS Comment- 1 pg - D7 [Cannabis]
Attachments: BOS 6-2-20 Cannabis LUDC MOG.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Dear Clerk, Please see below- also attached as one-page signed letter, and deliver to BOS and post as appropriate.

Thank you all, Mary

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Dear Chair Hart and Supervisors:

As a longtime resident of Santa Barbara County, and a homeowner in the unincorporated area of the Second District, I implore you to take actions to begin to remedy the ordinances and policies surrounding commercial cannabis cultivation. Please do not continue to subject residents and property owners within or adjacent to the unincorporated areas of the County- from Tepesquet to Shepard Mesa- to the unregulated, unlimited proliferation of industrialized production.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Mary O’Gorman

Second District-Eastern Goleta Valley

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**Ramirez, Angelica**

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**From:** MIKE BROWN <sbaussie@usa.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 11:05 AM  
**To:** Hart, Gregg; sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis CUP concerns  
**Attachments:** BOS letter.docx

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attached letter

Honorable Supervisor Gregg Hart  
Chair of the Board  
Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors  
105 East Anapamu Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: June 2nd Board of Supervisors Meeting - **Request to be Read by the Clerk**

**Topic: Cannabis Ordinance - Proposed CUPs Amendments**

Dear Gregg,

My name is Michael Brown, I am a resident of Solvang for 35 years and run a Wine Production business in the County . I would like to express my deepest concerns about mandating conditional use permits for all cannabis projects.

- Requiring CUPs for all cannabis projects would likely **eliminate** many of the smaller projects currently in the Land Use Permit (LUP) process and cost the County millions of dollars in lost tax revenue in 2020 and 2021, during the worst economic crisis in recent history. The COVID-19 Pandemic has caused massive unemployment of more than **20,000 jobs** lost primarily in the hospitality, restaurant and tourism industry.

Moreover, I strongly believe that these policies only advance an us vs them syndrome that only perpetuates an outdated and failed perspective. I am encouraged to see and read in the news that cannabis and wine community leaders are getting together to help develop new ideas to attract tourism and create local jobs. The County should do everything it can to promote this new endeavor.

Respectfully,

Michael Brown  
Kalyra Winery  
Santa Ynez Ca.

## Ramirez, Angelica

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**From:** Nicholas L Miller <nmliller@thornhillcompanies.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 11:18 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Please Read Into The Record at the June 3 Hearing in regards to the Cannabis Ordinance Revision

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for taking the time to examine this important issue in our county.

Change and the introduction of new concepts are always hard to wrap your head around. You can never fully predict the paths they will take or consequences that will come about.

With the introduction to Santa Barbara County of Cannabis cultivation, there was a lot of excitement, but unfortunately what came with it were a lot of unintended consequences as well.

Our family has been farming in the Central Coast for five generations and in my lifetime I haven't seen agriculture as disrupted by one crop as it has been with the introduction of Cannabis to Santa Barbara County.

Without the combability of being able to farm Cannabis next to existing crops, giving Cannabis unique advantages over other crops is to promote Cannabis at the expense of existing crops, many of which have been in Santa Barbara County for decades and generations.

In California, no other agriculture county has permitted outdoor grows larger than 2 acres except one: SLO County allows 3 acres outdoors on a minimum parcel size of 25 acres.

As a Board, you recently approved cannabis grows 7 and 16 times that size, and permits – without any ability to restrict them – are in queue for 70 acres and more.

The big ask from me would be for the Board of Supervisors is to consider permanently changing the Cannabis Ordinance to require CUPs instead of the current LUPs.

Thank you,



Nicholas Miller  
VP of Marketing & Sales  
(805) 318-6411 Office  
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[nmliller@millerfamilywinecompany.com](mailto:nmliller@millerfamilywinecompany.com)

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**Ramirez, Angelica**

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**From:** Jeff Nighman <jnighman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 11:18 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
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Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Nighman, Gwendolyn Kilfoyle, Kelsey Nighman & Anika Nighman

1084 Via Regina, Santa Barbara, CA 93111

**1084 Via Regina**

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**From:** Andrew Murray <Andrew@andrewmurrayvineyards.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 11:35 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Cc:** Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Required for Cannabis

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Please read into the record at June 3<sup>rd</sup> hearing.

I started Andrew Murray Vineyards about 30 years ago in Los Olivos, along Foxen Canyon Road. We have grown to produce about 25,000 cases per year and about 20,000 cases for other wineries. We employ an army of people to help care for our 150 acres of vineyard land. I am in the middle of planting another 100 acres, which is by itself an \$8M investment in Santa Barbara. We directly employ 20+ people in the crafting and marketing of our wine. My wife grew up here, went to high school here and together we raised two wonderful kids here in our pastoral valley. We are heavily invested in the future of this county.

As elected officials your job is to safeguard what is economically and physically healthy for the county. You stringently limit growth in the City of Santa Barbara to protect our beautiful, world-renowned seaside city. You must apply those principles of preservation up here in North County.

Our County has become the joke heard around the world and the poster child for cannabis cultivation gone wrong. You all have been so anti-growth towards the wine community for decades, so why did you turn a blind eye to responsible cannabis growth?

Regulated, small-scale cannabis can be compatible with wine grapes. Industrial cannabis, 100-acre rows of hoop houses, armed guards, concertina wire and noxious odors are not compatible with this region or existing agriculture.

Please vote to follow the Planning Commission recommendations to require CUP for cannabis.

### Andrew Murray

Owner / Winemaker

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**From:** Monica Martin <MMartin@flowersassoc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 11:58 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Cc:** Gelare Macon  
**Subject:** Agenda Item #D7 - Cannabis Ordinance Amendments  
**Attachments:** F&A, INC - OPPOSITION TO CUP CANNABIS AMENDMENT.pdf

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Good afternoon,

Please see attached our letter of opposition of the cannabis ordinance amendments.

Thank you,

**Monica T. Martin**



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June 1, 2020

Hon. Supervisor Gregg Hart  
Board of Supervisors, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
105 East Anapamu Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

**SUBJECT: Cannabis Ordinance Amendments – Opposition to Conditional Use Permit Requirement**

Chair Hart and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Flowers & Associates, Inc. is a local civil engineering and planning firm that has been providing professional services in Santa Barbara County for over 40 years. Our firm currently represents twenty-two (22) cannabis projects located in both Carpinteria and in the Inland area for cultivation and processing. We write to you today to express our concerns and opposition to the Planning Commission's (PC) recommendation that all cannabis cultivation shall be subject to a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). We hope you will see that the current Code and process is sufficient for regulating cannabis operations and that the correct action to take is approving and enforcing the existing applications and operations, not continued revision to the existing ordinance.

#### **PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ALL CANNABIS CULTIVATION**

Based on the PC hearings regarding this topic, it is clear that the residents of Santa Barbara County and the PC are demanding a higher level of discretion and the ability to condition or deny projects based on compatibility. This is problematic for two reasons:

- 1) Despite public opinion, and perhaps unbeknownst to the PC and the Board of Supervisors, the current Land Use Permit (LUP) and Coastal Development Permit (CDP) processes for cannabis already includes intense scrutiny and discretion at the staff level. This is evident in the Board Letter presented for these amendments, wherein staff indicates that 241 applications are still pending a decision or have been approved, but not issued. This is because with new staffing and supervisors, the process constantly changes, requiring more and more information from cannabis operators than is required in the code. Additionally, with only 28 applications permitted, the County has not seen the true enforcement power of the existing Code and can, therefore, not assume that it is lacking or insufficient to address the community's concerns.
- 2) Finding of compatibility – During their deliberations, the PC has made it clear that the intent behind requiring a CUP is the finding of compatibility that is not available to them

at the LUP or CDP level. Although this finding of compatibility would make it very easy to condition or deny a project based on public opposition, our professional planning experience and education reminds us that this finding is not meant to deny one agricultural crop the inability to grow on agriculturally-zoned property, next to an adjacent agricultural operation (e.g. winery). This finding was intended to provide greater regulation to uses that are not normally found on agriculturally zoned properties but may be allowed in conjunction with an agricultural use, for example, volatile manufacturing. We have strong reason to believe that those who oppose cannabis will take advantage of and abuse this finding as a way to completely terminate the cannabis industry.

Further complications present itself when considering a CUP for all cannabis cultivation and processing, for example, the extreme backlog that this will create for the existing applications. As it is now, applications have been in the LUP and CDP process for well over a year. If a CUP is to be required, this would increase the permitting timeline from 1+ years to 3-6 years. This would exacerbate and prolong the County's inability to mitigate odor complaints from existing, nonconforming operations.

We implore the County Board of Supervisors to NOT approve a CUP process for cannabis operations. Approving and permitting operations is the ONLY way the County can legally regulate operations, especially existing, nonconforming operations. It is imperative that these projects get approved at the staff level so that the County can regulate the cannabis operations as quickly as possible and pursuant to the Code that has already been adopted.

## PROPOSED FINDING FOR ODOR ABATEMENT

The Planning Commission has proposed to replace an enforceable development standard with an ambiguous finding. Pursuant to California's Planning, Zoning, and Development Laws, "a 'development standard' includes a site or construction condition, including, but not limited to a height limitation, a setback requirements, a floor ratio, an onsite open-space requirement, or a parking ratio that applies to a residential development pursuant to any ordinance general plan element, specific plan, charter, or other local condition, law, policy, resolution, or regulation." This is problematic, not only for cannabis operators, but is grossly inadequate to address the community's concerns pertaining to cannabis odor. This is problematic for cannabis operators because it does not allow them an objective standard to comply with. Instead, it offers an ambiguous, subjective finding that needs to be made in order for their project to be approved. Time and time again, we have seen our clients, and other cannabis operators, design their projects to comply with the County's regulations and to address concerns from neighbors. We have cause to believe that those opposed to cannabis will deny projects based on this vague policy and claim that any and all cannabis-related odors are a detriment to the general welfare of their neighborhood.

**SETBACKS**

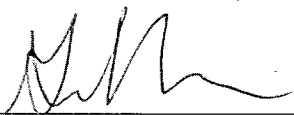
We'd like to take the opportunity to discuss the issue regarding setbacks from adjacent uses. There is no scientific data that can point to a distance at which a cannabis use will not have an impact on an adjacent use, especially since "impacts" can be very subjective. Specifically, in consideration of adjacent vineyards, we have been advising our clients to propose a **50' setback from property line** as a courtesy. Any larger setback can negatively impact a property owners' ability to comply with the Williamson Act. Many farmers, *including vintners*, are looking to cannabis as a way to supplement existing farming operations and income. As such, if an arbitrary 100' - 200' setback is applied to all cannabis cultivation projects, the County is essentially taking the farmer's RIGHT to farm whatever crop they should choose and taking the farmer's ability to maintain compliance with the Williamson Act.

It is our professional opinion that setbacks not be considered or incorporated into the cannabis ordinance until there is sufficient scientific evidence available that will prove that setbacks are beneficial.

**CONCLUSION**

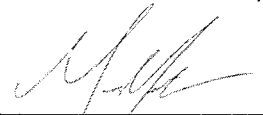
Despite skewed public perception, cannabis operators and applicants take great care in designing their project to pass the intense scrutiny of County Planning & Development and the community; the cannabis operators want to be in compliance, and so does the community. Please, do not drag out this process longer than necessary. Implement the code, as adopted, and approve these projects so that the County can regulate these operations.

Sincerely,  
FLOWERS & ASSOCIATES, INC

By: 

Gelare Macon, AICP  
Vice-President and Principal Planner

FLOWERS & ASSOCIATES, INC

By: 

Monica Martin  
Associate Planner

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**From:** Lillian Clary <mzlil2988@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:03 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Cc:** Lil Clary  
**Subject:** June 2 BOS Public Comment  
**Attachments:** BOS 6 2 20 Public Comment.docx

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Please have the attached read into the record for Agenda Item D7 (cannabis)

Thank you.

Lil Clary

Mandate CUPs for all cannabis cultivation operations.

LUPs for cannabis are inadequate in terms of notice (limited), transparency (decision solely by Planning Director) and resident options (appeals and lawsuits).

Friends in Los Alamos and Cuyama discovered virtually overnight that cannabis operations had already been approved nearby. Neither family was able to file a timely appeal much less afford a lawsuit.

Opponents of CUPs complain that they are lengthy, burdensome and costly.

True! because the applicant has to prove that the activity is not detrimental to the safety and health of the neighborhood and that it is compatible with the area.

That said, the CUP is not a complete protection for neighborhoods where the legal/nonconforming cannabis industry has already established cultivation sites. In the Tepusquet EDRN applicants have filed bare bones permit applications and then failed to update or complete them for periods of as long as two years. Residents in the Cebada Canyon/Tularosa EDRN report the same.

My recommendation:

Prohibit all commercial cannabis in EDRNs, on parcels adjacent to EDRNs, or accessed solely via roadways in an EDRN.

EDRNs were created to lessen the encroachment of residential neighborhoods into agricultural areas. The corollary is that industrial scale cannabis does not belong in rural neighborhoods.

Tepusquet residents have submitted 13 public comment letters to this effect (probably more by today's session). In addition, in just two days I have received emails from 23 more Tepusquet residents supporting this prohibition.

Lil Clary  
Tepusquet Canyon

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**From:** stephanie southwick hull <southwickhull@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:07 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Permitting Process for Cannabis Dispensaries

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Dear Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to you to share some concerns I have regarding the permitting of cannabis dispensaries in Santa Barbara County. I am aware that six permits are available in various parts of the County, and would like to make sure that the upmost care is taking in order to balance the rights of the dispensaries to operate and the needs of each community where the dispensaries will be located. Dispensaries are not typical retail locations and care must be taken to make sure that they fit compatibly with the neighborhood.

To this end, I strongly feel that a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts should be required for these unique businesses. I am aware that retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and would like to request that this same requirement be extended to all zoning for dispensaries.

The CUP process is the only land use process that appropriately provides the opportunity for the community to voice its views regarding cannabis dispensaries. Given that cannabis dispensaries are unique and have the potential for strongly impacting the makeup and dynamic of a neighborhood, the discretionary process of the CUP is the best way to give stakeholders the best information they need regarding the compatibility of a dispensary at a location.

Please allow the community and yourselves the power to make the best decisions regarding this issue.

Thank you.

Stephanie Hull  
Orcutt resident

## Ramirez, Angelica

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**From:** Brian Edwards <brian@edwardscommercialinc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:12 PM  
**To:** sbcob; Hart, Gregg; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Williams, Das; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD: Please Vote YES on CUPs for Cannabis Facilities!

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Planning Commission has spent tireless months investigating the best way to curb the problems arising from the new Cannabis cultivation in our county. The biggest problem being foul odor inhaled by nearby residents, wineries, and businesses.

The commission finally concluded that, in order to gain control of this new industry that is not completely understood yet, we need to require Conditional Use Permits. This industry is not the same as flowers, grapes or broccoli, as the growers would like you to believe. There is already air quality issues, and we may discover there are health issues from inhaling the BVOCs emitted from cannabis.

For obvious reasons, the cannabis growers do not want to hassle with Conditional Use Permits. But when are the voices of the residents going to be heard? We feel we are being ignored. The majority of us want you to take more control of this new industry, NOW, before it's too late. Conditional Use Permits will allow you more control, both now and in the future, after the permits are issued.

There are many good reasons to require CUPs, and not enough bad reasons to deny them.

Do not "blindly follow" the supervisors who are on the side of the cannabis growers, just because you need the tax revenues in the short term. Look at the big picture: denying the Planning Commission's recommendation for CUPs may cost you more in the long run (i.e. lawsuits, lowered property values, the reputation of our county, and the health and happiness of your county residents.)

Do not render all the time, cost, and work of the Planning Commission fruitless. Please do the right thing by voting for Conditional Use Permits in tomorrow's cannabis hearing.

Thank you in advance,

Brian R. Edwards  
3279 Padaro Lane  
Carpinteria, CA



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**From:** Constance Wilson <cmkwilson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:18 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis

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I am writing to request that you approve the recommendation from the planning commission and require CUPs for all cannabis applications, *including existing applications*. We live in Winchester Canyon and are concerned about how close the existing cannabis farm is to our neighborhood.

Constance Wilson  
219 Old Ranch Drive,  
Goleta, CA

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**From:** Kada Bouza <kadabouza@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:19 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** cannabis projects

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Supervisor Gregg Hart

Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I am writing to urge you and the County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the OTR-14/GC Zone, and we request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area. Cannabis dispensaries impact communities and have strong potential to adversely impact neighborhood compatibility. Citizens have the right to voice their opposition or support of such projects, and only the CUP discretionary process provides the appropriate venue for this input. A land use permit process does not allow for adequate public input due to limitations in noticing. A CUP process ultimately will give you as the decision makers the most accurate appraisal of community opinion so as to make the best informed decision.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thanks ---

Kada

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**From:** Stephen Janes <sosmondejanes@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:26 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** June 3 Cannabis Hearing  
**Attachments:** Letter to BOS 06.01.20.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Dear Clerk of Santa Barbara:

PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD at tomorrow, June 3's hearing on the Cannabis Ordinance. Thank you.

Dear Board of Supervisors:

For 2 years , the Santa Barbara Wine Industry has participated in the Cannabis debate and has discussed at every opportunity the adverse effects of Terpenes emitted from Cannabis rendering our grapes un-useable.


The Australian wine study showed clear EVIDENCE that Eucalyptol Terpenes fall on grapes. It was said by your Board that Eucalyptol only comes from the tree leaves and bark. This is NOT an accurate nor correct interpretation. On Pages 19 and 20 of that study, it confirms Eucalyptol is an airborne Terpene and FALLS onto grapes, grape leaves and soil.

Professor Oberholster, who has a PhD from UC Davis, the #1 wine university in the world, wrote to you about the affects from Cannabis Terpenes and the highly sensitive nature of our industry and universal acceptance that grapes have porous skins and absorb volatile compounds.

Our own Tyler Thomas, who has 2 Master Degrees, has submitted evidence that Cannabis Terpenes are airborne. The Cannabis Industry's PAID consulting scientist CONFIRMED that Terpenes exist and that they will contaminate vineyards over time. His study also ironically avoided the #1 Cannabis Terpene, Beta-Myrcene.

We urge you to change the Cannabis Ordinance to require all future developments to have CUPs and not an LUP. This will bring some order, control common sense and protection to our industry and tourism and to not threaten the \$1.7 Billion economy that we contribute to.

In Vino Veritas,



Stephen Janes

President

Santa Barbara Vintners

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**From:** Helen Kawaguchi <helenkiku@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:36 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Possible Cannabis Dispensary in Old Town Orcutt

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To: Supervisor Hart  
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

As a long time resident of Orcutt I am concerned about the possibility of a cannabis dispensary being approved for the site of the Old Town Market. I strongly urge you and the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the QTR 14/GC Zone, and I request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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The availability of cannabis in this small community with several schools in the vicinity whose students walk or ride bicycles to and from school is not an acceptable substitute for the only market serving the many long-time senior citizens of the area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Helen Kawaguchi  
Long-time Orcutt resident

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**From:** Julianna Wajda <forjules@sbceo.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:36 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Supervisor Hart  
**Attachments:** Supervisor Hart.doc

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The attached document is for your information and action.

Julianna Wajda  
Orcutt, CA

Supervisor Gregg Hart, Chair  
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Dear Supervisor Hart:

As a long-time citizen of Orcutt, I strongly urge you and the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors to require a conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects including dispensaries in urban zone districts, especially in the Old Town Orcutt area. Retail cannabis already requires a CUP in the QTR 14/GC Zone, and I request that this requirement be extended to all zoning in the Orcutt Planning Area.

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Additionally, as a long-time citizen of Orcutt, I have great concern for the loss of Old Town Market in what is known as Old Town. It is currently the only market serving Old Town where many long-time senior citizens still live and seriously depend on the Old Town Market for their daily provisions for survival. The availability of cannabis is simply not an acceptable substitute.

**Ramirez, Angelica**

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**From:** Michelle Wood <michelle.l.southwick@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:46 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Cannabis Dispensary

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Supervisor Gregg Hart  
Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Hart:

I have been following the cannabis dispensary issues here in Santa Barbara and also San Luis County. As you likely know already, SLO has consistently dealt with various code violations, etc as they've worked to allow these businesses to open. I would rather work proactively in our community so that when they do open, it is a smooth operation where all parties are respected and respectful. I am a strong advocate for requiring a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for all urban zone districts in Santa Barbara County. It is already required in the OTR-14/GC Zone and should be extended to all zoning within the Orcutt Planning Area.

Cannabis dispensaries have the potential for good but can also have a drastically negative affect on our community, especially if the dispensaries aren't carefully vetted.

I appreciate all of your hard work and dedication to Santa Barbara County the amazing place it it to live and raise a family!

Have a great Monday!

Michelle Wood



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**From:** la fredrickson <laf739@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:47 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Cc:** Glenn Fredrickson  
**Subject:** BOS Hearing on June 2, 2020 on Revision of Cannabis Ordinance

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Honorable Supervisors:

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Thank you for voting to amend the ordinance and require CUP's for all cannabis cultivation projects.

Sincerely

Lesley and Glenn Fredrickson

1127 Camino Manadero, SB 93111

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Lesley Fredrickson

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**From:** kat@krse.biz  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2020 12:53 PM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** conditional use permit (CUP) for all cannabis projects

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Chair, Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

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Thank You,  
Kathryn "Kat" Scott  
805-863-2842

