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Honorable of the Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the City Council of the City of Buellton, I am submitting this letter outlining the City's position on the upcoming appeal hearing for Busy Bees Organics cannabis cultivation Land Use Permit. We hope that you will take the City's position into account as you consider the matter at your meeting.

Respectfully,

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# City of Buellton

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

RE: Appeal of Busy Bees Organics application for Land Use Permit

Chair Hart and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

This letter is written to express the position of the City of Buellton with regard to the application by Busy Bees Organics for a Land Use Permit, which is currently being appealed to the Board of Supervisors.

As I stated during public comments at the Planning Commission hearing on the initial appeal of this permit, the City of Buellton does not object to the issuance of this permit, as it is currently conditioned for odor control. The applicants have demonstrated a deliberate consideration for neighboring uses through the voluntary application of an odor control program, with a tiered approach to mitigating odors to ensure that complaints can be addressed incrementally. The Planning Commission has subsequently determined that this odor control program should be memorialized in the conditions of approval, which the City of Buellton supports.

Members of the Buellton City Council have been to the farm, and seen the operation as well as the landscape enhancements that both screen the farm from view of the road and serve to aid in the dispersion of odor-causing compounds emanating from the crop. As the City's primary concern with cannabis cultivation operations has been the impact of odor on its residents, the imposition of the odor control conditions serves to remove any formal objection by the City to the issuance of this permit.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration,

  
Scott Wolfe  
City Manager