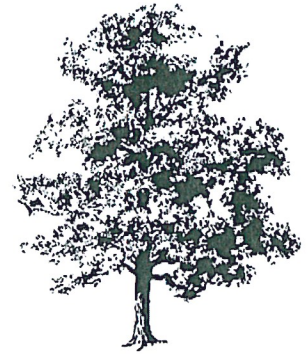


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WE Watch, P.O Box 830, Solvang CA93464



April 18, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: WE Watch, Nancy Emerson, President
RE: Appeal, West Coast Farms, Item 20-00274

We Watch recommends that you deny West Coast Farms' appeal for the following reasons:

1. The West Coast Farms outdoor cultivation area of 50 acres is more than double the cultivated acreage of the site approved east of it. We question whether any abatement system can prevent damaging odor - either plant or alternative odor from system - traveling to Buellton and intervening neighbors since prevailing winds blow west to east.

The cumulative impact of odor, due to the number of outdoor cultivation applications in this area of the Santa Ynez Valley must be considered.

2. Given the concerns and evidence presented by vineyard owners and the Grower-Shipper farmers about damage to their crops from terpenes, it is unfair to approve this project, which risks damage to existing crops.

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3. Outdoor lighting has been improved but the remaining 16-foot poles, despite fully shielded light fixtures, will cause light trespass for the neighbors because of pole height. We recommend a maximum of 12 feet in any rural area.

4. We support the arguments for denial presented by Mr. Chytilo and Ms. Taylor in their letter to the Board.