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Group 1 Public Comment #2

From: Gay Infanti <ginfanti@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2019 2:50 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Ordinance Amendments
Attachments: Letter to SB Co BOS re Cannabis Ordinance Amend..docx

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To the Santa Barbara County Clerk,

I am writing to ask the County Supervisors to amend the county's cannabis ordinance to prohibit commercial cannabis cultivation on AG-1-5, AG-1-10, and AG-1-20 acre parcels in the county, and expressly in the Santa Ynez Valley. Accordingly, please distribute my attached letter on this subject all members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors when this matter again comes before them. The County Planning Commission chose to ignore the overwhelming support for this amendment at their meeting on May 1st. Unless this amendment is made, the resulting loss of revenue from the Santa Ynez Valley's wine and tourism industries will be significant. In addition, the loss of TOT, which the City of Solvang relies upon for its existence would be catastrophic. Our city receives 53% of its revenue from that source.

Thank you,
Gay Infanti
Solvang Resident

6 May 2019

To the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Re: Santa Barbara County Cannabis land Use Ordinance Amendments

Dear Members:

As a resident of Solvang, I urge you to amend the County's Cannabis Land Use Ordinance to prohibit commercial cannabis cultivation on parcels zoned AG-1-5, AG-1-10, AG-1-20, and AG-1-40 that are 20 acres or less in size. This amendment was proposed by Staff to the County Planning Commission, as Alternative A, at the Planning Commission's meeting on May 1, 2019. Over 200 members of the public spoke to the Commission, the majority of whom supported Alternative A. Unfortunately, the planning commissioners ignored public input and voted against it by 3-2 vote. This amendment would protect residents of the Santa Ynez Valley where many small AG-1 parcels exist, adjacent to and often surrounded by residences. In addition, it would protect the Santa Ynez Valley's multi-billion dollar wine and tourist industries from the undesirable effects of cannabis grows.

I live very close to the Fredensborg Canyon property where an individual is attempting to get a permit for a 15,000 square foot cannabis production facility, which would place it within yards of residences on all sides. There are many properties of 5-20 (or more) acres interspersed among our SYV neighborhoods, as well as on city boundaries, where cannabis grows would affect the health, safety and quality of life of our residents, especially our children, as well as our residential property values. In addition, the visitor experience in our hotels, bed and breakfast inns, and wine tasting rooms would be adversely affected, thus harming the two industries on which many of our businesses are based and that provide a significant portion of our sales tax and all of the TOT, which fund our local governments.

In March, your Board recommended that the Planning Staff come back to you with an ordinance amendment that placed a ban on cannabis cultivation on AG-1-5 and AG-1-10, and possibly any Ag parcel of 20 acres or less. Apparently the Planning Staff now plans to bring forward different recommendations. When the Planning Staff brings this matter before you again, I urge you to *please* give your support to what was Planning Commission Alternative A, and prohibit commercial cannabis cultivation on parcels zoned AG-1-5, AG-1-10, AG-1-20, and AG-1-40 that are 20 acres or less in size. The residents of the Santa Ynez Valley would be very grateful.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Gay Infanti
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From: Allen, Michael (COB)
Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2019 11:17 AM
To: Board Letters; sbcob
Subject: FW: CUP Meeting - Charles Steven's Ranch 3085 Avena Road
Attachments: Safety concerns regarding cannabis permits.pdf

Categories: Public Comment

FYI...

From: Susan Williams
Sent: Monday, May 27, 2019 6:08 PM
To: Allen, Michael (COB) ; Villalobos, David ; Congressmancarbajal@mail.house.gov; Williams, Das ; Hart, Gregg ; Hartmann, Joan ; Adam, Peter ; Lavagnino, Steve
Subject: Re: CUP Meeting - Charles Steven's Ranch 3085 Avena Road

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We are property owners in Santa Barbara County Cebada Canyon and have some very real concerns regarding the cannabis permits on the agenda. We are sincerely hoping that you want feedback from the neighbors and people who have to live with the consequences of your short sighted approval process. I sincerely hope that you cared enough about the topic to **NOT** place it on a consent agenda item as that belittles how we, the residents of Cebada Canyon, feel about this topic. We would like you to sincerely hear us and address our concerns. I've attached a letter we've written to outline these concerns.

On Mon, May 27, 2019 at 5:29 PM Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks so much for writing a letter! Can you please include these people to make sure everyone gets your letter? You brought up some great points!! I hope Jerry feels better soon. Susan + Derek

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From: Susan Williams <willigdennis@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, May 27, 2019 4:33 PM

To: Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: CUP Meeting - Charles Steven's Ranch 3085 Avena Road

Hi Susan,

Jerry is having a medical procedure done on May 39 so won't be able to attend. We've written a letter if you'd like to take that. I'll also email the letter to each supervisor. We've also outlined the safety issues (lots of money changing hands—what additional law enforcement resources will they provide at no additional cost). what about the human waste dumping, and if our property values are lowered because of cannabis growers, we will petition the county to lower our taxable value. In addition what traffic mitigation fees are the cannabis growers paying? We had to pay a traffic mitigation fee when we built. What about environmental impacts? Etc

Thank you for letting us know.

On Saturday, May 25, 2019, Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com> wrote:

Neighbors,

Our first cannabis CUP is coming up for review on May 30th. The location is Charles Stevens horse facility at 3085 Avena Road. Thanks to an eagle eyed Cebada Canyon resident we just learned of this meeting.

Planning and Development Department

Special Problems Committee

Subdivision/Development Review Committee

Joint Meeting Agenda

May 30, 2019 – 1:30 P.M.

Planning and Development, 3rd Floor Courtyard Conference Room

123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101

6. 19CUP-00000-00024 Hog Honey Cannabis Cultivation Lompoc SDRC (Gwen Beyeler (805) 934-6269, Planner)

Request of Stacey Wooten, agent for Adelia Emerson to allow approximately 61,000 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation. Approximately 18,200 square feet of hoop structures will be used during cultivation as needed. The maximum height of the hoop structures will be 12 feet. The project description includes construction of a greenhouse approximately 10,000 square feet in size to be utilized for nursery cannabis cultivation. An existing permitted barn structure will be modified (interior only) to be used for ancillary processing and storage. Three existing paddock enclosures will be utilized for storage and compost. The site contains an existing dwelling, two agricultural structures and various paddocks. These structures are not a part of the Hog Honey cannabis premise. The project site is served by an existing water well. The cannabis operation requires four fulltime employees and an additional six seasonal employees as needed. The site will continue to be accessed from an existing driveway off Avena Road. The property is a 20.37 acre parcel zoned AG-I-20 shown as Assessor's Parcel Number 099-340-007 known as 3085 Avena Road in the Lompoc area, Fourth Supervisorial District.

We all have busy lives but attending this meeting is URGENT! If this CUP passes, the other 5 cannabis growers (that we know of) are next in line and this location will set a precedent for the others. Cebada Canyon will be changed forever – the quiet, residential life we enjoy will become commercial.

County Supervisors and Planning & Development have told us that showing up at these meetings to tell what it has been like living next to commercial cannabis is our last chance to stop it.

A few things to know –

- currently there are no laws to stop placing hoop houses on an *entire* property.
- Don't like the stench? Guess what – many of these grows will be able to plant and harvest cannabis **year-round**.

- Many real estate experts in the County of Santa Barbara have stated home values will decrease as they are already falling out of escrow due to living next to cannabis grows.
- The people who lease and work on the cannabis grows do not live here. The CUP on Charles Steven's place has been filed by a renter – not an owner.
- We have already experienced near-miss accidents with semi-trucks, high speed drivers, U-Haul vans. Imagine the increased traffic of 6 commercial grows.

There are many more reasons to attend and show your support for NO CANNABIS IN AN EDRN (existing Developed rural neighborhood).

Please let us know if we can count on you to attend. We will be checking to see if letters will be accepted and read for those who cannot attend. However, if there is only 1 meeting you will be able to schedule, this is the meeting!

To: Santa Barbara County Supervisors
From: Gerald and Susan Williams
Date: May 27, 2019
RE: Safety concerns regarding cannabis permits

We sincerely regret that we have to write this letter as you should be protecting us as well however it appears that money talks really loudly where supervisors are concerned.

So, you want all the money from the cannabis growers? Perhaps you'd like to hear from your constituents who live next to the proposed farms. Or perhaps you all feel the way that Salud Carbajal feels about Lompoc and the surrounding community that it is just the "armpit of Santa Barbara County." And this is when he was running for office. Imagine if he **weren't** running for office what he might say about the part of the county you, the Supervisors, represent. You do represent us too by the way. It's clear that we come in a distant second to those of you who are "better" than the rest of us in North County.

Now on to a few things for which we require a response. It is not acceptable to file this in the lowest file drawer (titled "armpit of the county"). Once you start approving cannabis permits without prior thought put into the process you've opened Pandora's Box. Here are concerns we have :

1. What environmental impact studies have been done to identify the result of all of these money making cannabis growers' activities?
 - a. The cannabis farmers have had no problem grading land on the weekend when they figure the County offices are closed. We had this personal experience. There are consequences to grading property in a willy nilly fashion that can impact the environment. We had to go ask them to please stop as they were also grading our land and putting up a fence on OUR land. That is an example of the so called "concern" these cannabis farmers have for the land and their neighbors. They promised, when this occurred 2 years ago, to replant and make sure the graded area was put back as close as possible to the way it was before they graded. If we had held our breath, we'd be blue. They promised us **and** a representative from County of SB they would do so. It has not happened nor will it. Oh, and when we asked what they were growing, we were told it was grapes for a vineyard. Those are the strangest looking grapes I've ever seen. Just to clarify, they are NOT grapes; they **are** cannabis plants. So honesty is not one of their redeeming qualities.
2. We know that cannabis farmers can't bank so there is lots of cash lying around. Awfully tempting to the wrong people. One only needs to look at the armed robbery that occurred on August 29, 2018 in Carpinteria at a cannabis farm at 5:30 AM as an omen of things to come. We want to know what additional law enforcement resources, at no cost to current residents, you are going to pay for to help try to protect us. Or are you suggesting we all arm ourselves about the eventual robberies that will occur due to the ease of grabbing cash? The persons guarding the cannabis farms are armed after all.

3. What additional fire safety resources will you be providing to us, at no additional cost to us, due to the additional safety concerns. We have narrow, one lane roads coming into the Canyon and out. A fire breaks out and it is each person for himself or herself.
4. How are you managing the dumping of human waste that is occurring with current cannabis growers in Cebada Canyon. That can affect our ground water and we want to know how to keep safe from these people disposing of human waste on the ground. Yes, we've seen it. You haven't because the County of Santa Barbara, in its infinite wisdom, has to contact the cannabis grower BEFORE coming to inspect. Well, it doesn't take a genius to figure out the cannabis grower cleans up before you arrive. But have you checked to see what kind of system is in place to handle human waste? They aren't bringing in Porta Johns except when they know you are coming. When we built our house we had to have a septic system, why don't they? Will you pay for our medical bills when we get sick because you couldn't do your jobs and protect the land and water resources that are entrusted to you? Perhaps if this occurred in Santa Barbara or Montecito, you would do something. As a prime example of Santa Barbara County not being particularly concerned about North County, the poor snowy plover also nests in Santa Barbara but you wouldn't think of closing those beaches because it affects your bottom line, tourism.
5. Real estate agents have repeatedly told home owners that the value of their homes/land will decrease with the increase in cannabis farming in Cebada Canyon. While you are dreaming of additional money from cannabis operations perhaps you should know that we will be contacting the county the *second* our home values drop for a reassessment of our home's value and asking for a reduction in our property taxes. Perhaps you should weigh the benefits with the risks.
6. When we built our home we had to pay for a traffic "mitigation" fee. That was ridiculous at the time as we were 2 cars coming and going. What traffic "mitigation" fees are cannabis farmers required to pay? Have you seen our roads? The increased traffic of heavy equipment in and out of Cebada Canyon is nothing to scoff at. You need to address this BEFORE you approve cannabis permits for Cebada Canyon. It's too late after. We know when strange heavy equipment semis, earth moving equipment, and cars come and go into and out of the canyon. We can't believe the number of new BMW's, Mercedes, and other high end new cars have shown up on our roads since the cannabis permit process started. Perhaps it isn't safe to travel 60 mph on a one lane road that twists and turns? Cannabis farmers don't seem to care. I can't count the number of times we've almost been hit head on because they were in such a hurry.
7. What about the alliance some farmers have made with cartels, most specifically the Armenian cartel? Is this okay in the quest for more money for the County? How do we stay safe?

Yes, we expect answers to these very real concerns. You are supposed to represent us as much as you do the cannabis growers. We would urge you to remember this. We know you come out to

repave roads and make it look as if you are representing us during election years but you could do a great deal more by caring for the impact of these growers on our safety.

Regret we have to send this,

Gerald and Susan Williams

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Bryan at Hemp Extraction Services <bryan@hempextractionservices.com>
Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 1:33 PM
To: Williams, Das; Hart, Gregg; Hartmann, Joan; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob
Cc: Martel, Rudy; Martin, Lottie
Subject: Industrial Hemp Farming in Santa Barbara County
Attachments: BOS letter-2.docx; ATT00001.htm

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June 3rd, 2019

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

Re: Industrial Hemp Farming in Santa Barbara County

Dear Supervisors,

With the passing of the 2018 Farm Bill, Industrial Hemp is now a federally legal crop that can be grown in any state with a program to do so (which California has). Although our state is far behind many others like Colorado, Oregon, Nevada, Montana, Kentucky and North Carolina, and although our county is far behind other counties like nearby San Luis Obispo, Ventura, Los Angeles and Kern, industrial hemp *can* and *should* be regulated and permitted to coexist alongside other allowable land uses in Santa Barbara County.

One fear about hemp from marijuana growers is cross-pollination. Both industrial hemp and higher-THC marijuana naturally produce both male and female plants. Female plants produce flowers and male plants produce pollen. When airborne male pollen comes in contact with a female plant's flower, that flower creates seeds. Both marijuana and hemp growers (unless part of a breeding program or growing for seed/fiber) purposefully eliminate males or start with only female plant stock in order to prevent such pollination, as pollinated flowers are worth only a fraction of the value (due to decreased potency and the added weight of non-cannabinoid containing seed).

In almost all cases, both higher-THC marijuana growers and lower-THC hemp farmers fear this pollination of their female plants. At this point in time, industrial hemp is most lucratively grown for its production of cannabinoids like CBD, which is concentrated in the flower. Conservatively, hemp flower grown for the production of CBD can earn farmers \$30,000 to \$50,000 per acre while hemp grown for fiber or seed currently earns the farmer roughly \$2,000 per acre. It is obvious that until the price of flower comes down significantly and the price of fiber and seed come up significantly, flower will remain the focus and pollination from male plants will be an unlikely issue.

The solution to the pollination problem between hemp and cannabis is to limit the growth of male plants of both varieties only to closed greenhouse breeding programs. Sensible hemp regulations would allow hemp farmers to only grow plants from either certified female clones (similar to how new grapevines are propagated from cuttings of known existing plants) or certified feminized seeds (seeds that produce only females). This would eliminate the potential for accidental pollination of both high-THC cannabis and industrial hemp grown for CBD.

Since such logical regulations would allow hemp and high-THC cannabis to coexist, and since odor issues could be minimized by allowing hemp only on agricultural parcels, like marijuana, there is no reason for Santa Barbara County to enact a moratorium on industrial hemp. Regardless of the county's position, however, the 2014 Farm Bill allows hemp to be grown under a pilot program when grown in conjunction with an "established agricultural research institution." According to a CDFA memo issued on January 10th, 2019, "Established agricultural research institutions...are exempt from registration and may currently grow industrial hemp under California law." If one looks to San Luis Obispo hemp farmer Abel Maldonado's research institution, which qualifies under this provision, it is clear that the definition is vague at best and allows almost anyone to farm under this pilot program.

The CDFA has had California hemp grower applications available on its website for over a month now. Our Santa Barbara County Ag Commissioner has stated she will not accept applications until she has heard from the Board of Supervisors. Unless swift action is taken by the board (as time is running out for growers to get plants in the ground for this season), the board will indirectly force growers to use the pilot program. The pilot does not collect a registration fee because registration is not required. THC limits are not required to be under .3 percent, biomass testing is not required, approved seed varieties are not required, and plant sex is not restricted. Therefore, it is wise for the board to enact reasonable hemp regulations that limit male plant growth while swiftly moving forward to allow industrial hemp growers their "right to farm" in Santa Barbara County.

In closing, I respectfully ask that you give industrial hemp, a federally legal, non-psychoactive agricultural crop, at least as much priority as its non-federally legal, psychoactive cousin, marijuana. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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From: Renee ONeill <chasingstar2701@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 10:29 AM
To: Dan Blough; Larry Ferini; Brown, Cecilia; John Parke; Michael Cooney; Villalobos, David
Cc: sbcob; Steve O'Neill; Lillian Clary; Dave Clary; Linda Tunnell
Subject: Fw: Concerned Citizen Letter- Patricia Holden, UCSB Professor
Attachments: Holden Letter 6-4-19.pdf

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This is an outstanding letter that was submitted for Public Comment, re the G&K Farms Appeal. I am making an Administrative Statement to the BOS that I support the findings in Patricia Holdings letter, 100%. Please heed her advice!

Thank You!

Renée O'Neill

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: M
Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 8:12 AM
Subject: Concerned Citizen Letter- Patricia Holden

Great letter, re VOCs etc

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Cecilia Brown <brownknight1@cox.net>
Date: June 5, 2019 at 6:08:07 AM PD

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----- Original message -----

From: Patricia Holden <holden@bren.ucsb.edu>
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Subject: Concerned Citizen Letter

Colleagues:

On behalf of my neighbors and my family, please find attached a letter concerning *Cannabis* in SB County, specifically the need for a more systematic approach to environmental and health concerns.

This letter is sent from me, as a citizen of Santa Barbara County, and does not necessarily represent the position of my employer or other professional affiliations.

Many thanks for your attention.

Sincerely,

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Patricia Holden

Professor

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June 4, 2019

Ms. Lisa Plowman, Director
Jeffrey Wilson, Deputy Division Director
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Santa Barbara, California 93101

Subject: Santa Barbara County Land Use and Development Code; Article II – Santa Barbara County Coastal Zoning Ordinance Establishing Regulations for the Cultivation, Manufacture and Distribution of Commercial *Cannabis* for Adult Use as Adopted February 6, 2018.

Dear Ms. Plowman:

I have been asked by my concerned neighbors in the More Mesa Eastern Goleta Valley area of Santa Barbara to examine the process set out in the above-referenced Santa Barbara County Land Use and Coastal Zone ordinances for mitigating the potentially adverse public health and environmental impacts which may result from the cultivation and manufacture of commercial *Cannabis* in proximity to residential neighborhoods. In particular, I have looked into and will explain how these impacts may manifest themselves on persons residing within the coastal areas of southern Santa Barbara County.

A. Introduction and Background. I am a Professor in the Bren School of Environmental Science & Management at the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) where I lead research in environmental problem solving, and teach courses in waste treatment, pollution remediation, environmental microbiology, and biogeochemistry. For more than twenty years at UCSB, my research has informed water quality management (including in collaboration with, or in service to, the City of Santa Barbara or the County of Santa Barbara), soil processes, and risk assessment of emerging contaminants. Most recently, funding pending from the UC Office of the President will allow my researching—with collaborators from UCSB plus three other universities in California—the environmental consequences of tobacco products and of *Cannabis* cultivation and product use.

Thus, my interest in this subject and my concerns as expressed in this letter - while, admittedly personal in nature - are also nonetheless thoroughly professional as well as carefully informed by my expertise across various academic disciplines and my own professional research and experience. In addition, my husband is a retired private-sector engineer who designed water and wastewater facilities worldwide for over thirty years, and he shares my concerns over the potential negative health impacts related to *Cannabis* and the potential difficulty of properly engineering a workable system which adequately mitigates the possible environmental and nuisance impacts of *Cannabis* cultivation. In short, we are both technically trained and educated (e.g. my degrees are B.S., M.S. and M. Eng. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Tennessee, Purdue University, and UC Berkeley, respectively, plus a Ph.D. in Soil Microbiology from UC Berkeley) professionals. My own doctoral dissertation (UC Berkeley) regarded mechanisms of biodegradation of a volatile organic compound (VOC) in soil environments, a topic highly relevant to the issues discussed herein. As a result of our training and experience, we have some significant concerns about the current rush to cultivate and manufacture adult-use *Cannabis* in our area of Santa Barbara County in the absence of systematically researching how to do so while protecting human and environmental health.

I should also state that one of the reasons I agreed to do this work and to prepare this letter is my professional opinion that the "mitigation" pre-conditions written into the above-referenced County *Cannabis* land-use regulation adopted by the Board of Supervisors in February 2018 are unproven to be effective in actually mitigating the potentially adverse health and environmental impacts of commercial *Cannabis* on people living in proximity to these commercial operators. This is particularly true for those measures mandated by the County ordinances for eliminating noxious odors from *Cannabis* – **measures which apparently ignore the need to not just eliminate noxious odors, but to protect the public from the related and concurrent environmental pollution which could result from the commercial cultivation of *Cannabis*.**

B. Health Concerns Related to Noise and Air Quality Degradation. My primary health concerns relate to the noise and inevitable failure consequences of what will ultimately be needed to prevent degradation of air quality. The production of *Cannabis* on commercial scales is a new endeavor whose environmental threats have been hypothesized but, at this point, remain uncertain.¹ While the human health implications of *Cannabis* use, whether medicinal or recreational, are also uncertain, it is telling that the National Academy of Sciences does not address potential environmental health concerns, and the reasons for this are clear - there simply is not yet enough known about such concerns.²

However, the following *is* known and well-established:

- *Cannabis sativa* (marijuana) plants, like many natural and agricultural plants, emit various types of terpenes³ which are chemicals that are broadly categorized as biogenic volatile organic compounds (BVOCs).⁴

- BVOCs are responsible for the noxious odors associated with *Cannabis*,⁵ but it is the BVOCs, not the odors per se, that have the potential to undermine human health and environmental quality. This is an important distinction, as the regulatory discourse in Santa Barbara County currently only regards “odors” when it is actually the emissions to the ambient environment of the odorous compounds—the *Cannabis* BVOCs whose smells simply confirm their presence at olfactory thresholds—that should be controlled to protect air quality and human health.
- *Cannabis* terpenes, like other biogenic terpenes, have the potential to be precursors of ground level ozone^{4,6} which is regarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) as a serious human health threat.⁷
- To form ozone, *Cannabis* BVOCs would react with other substances in the atmosphere, under specific, but not unusual, ambient conditions.⁶ Such potential for ozone formation from *Cannabis* BVOCs was recently estimated using *Cannabis* BVOC emissions measured on a per plant basis.⁴
- *Cannabis* BVOCs could outweigh other ozone-forming compounds in urban areas, depending on many factors including *Cannabis* cultivation extent.¹

C. Recommended Air-Quality Mitigation Measures. While the atmospheric chemistry and real ozone forming potential of *Cannabis* greenhouse operations are not currently estimable for the Eastern Goleta Valley where I live, or elsewhere in Santa Barbara County, the potential is scientifically logical, i.e. supported sufficiently by published research to date. Consequently, Santa Barbara County should require that cultivation projects prevent *Cannabis* BVOCs and particulate emissions to the atmosphere, including from greenhouses such as in my neighborhood. To prevent air emissions, at least the following conditions of approval would be needed for *Cannabis* cultivation applications, including in my neighborhood:

- Insist, for any cultivation project condition of approval, that the greenhouse structures can fully contain and prevent emissions. In my neighborhood, the existing 1950s era greenhouse structures, given their dilapidated and obviously irreparable states, must be replaced with new greenhouses. These extremely dilapidated structures simply cannot be retrofitted to efficiently and effectively contain *Cannabis* air emissions that have the potential for unacceptable health consequences, no matter what supposedly “state-of-the-art” emissions control systems are proposed.
- Require fully and properly engineered air handling and control systems to prevent release of *Cannabis* BVOCs and other emissions into the air surrounding any growing facility. More experienced regulators elsewhere, for which some examples were at one time compiled⁸ (and which are retrievable via internet searching,⁹) appear to have such requirements of *Cannabis* applicants. Yet, currently, the Santa Barbara County Air

Pollution Control District (APCD) Advisory¹⁰ recommends and requires only unnamed non-specific “deodorizing systems” for “odor abatement”.

Given the potential health risks associated with *Cannabis* cultivation air emissions, it is surprising that the Santa Barbara County APCD does the following: 1. fails to recognize in its most recent Advisory the emissions, and thus air quality, issues posed by *Cannabis* cultivation, 2. focuses instead on mere symptoms (“odor”), and 3. implicitly endorses “deodorizing systems” which could—by their own uncertain emissions of other VOCs and additive chemicals – actually exacerbate ground-level ozone formation and thus compound threats to the health of humans and other biological receptors near *Cannabis* growing operations. *In my opinion, there are too many unknowns to simplistically accept “deodorizing” as an actual and real solution to protecting public health and the environment.*

- Require air quality monitoring and facility inspections to ensure that emissions are controlled from any *Cannabis* greenhouse growing operation.
- For those *Cannabis* projects which required a County public hearing prior to their initial approval, to mandate a one-year “compliance review hearing” before the County Board or Staff member which issued the original permit approval in order to substantiate that the emissions control system has been operating correctly and effectively and without significant complaints from nearby residents and owners.

It is beyond the scope of this letter to fully research and attempt to recommend best practices for emissions controls at *Cannabis* greenhouse operations. Yet it is fairly obvious that the current flood of *Cannabis* applications have not addressed the real concerns of noxious and potentially hazardous air emissions, since most, if not all, of those applications propose a deodorizing approach instead of emissions control, and do so for dilapidated greenhouses.

Moreover, as recently summarized and as recognized in the County’s *Cannabis* zoning regulations, potentially harmful *Cannabis* emissions may be significantly removed by carbon (activated, presumably) filtration,⁶ which would require an engineered design—for air handling and treatment technology performance plus operations. I am particularly interested, and have started research as such, in biofiltration as an alternative approach for removing *Cannabis* BVOCs from captured emissions, since such an approach could have many advantages.¹¹ In my judgment, physicochemical (e.g. activated carbon) and biological (e.g. biofiltration) approaches for odor scrubbing are well-established and mature technologies that could be engineered and adapted for *Cannabis* greenhouse grow emissions control.

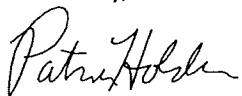
D. Establish and Adopt a Systematic Scientific Basis for Health and Environmental Protection. I strongly advocate that the County revisit its current ordinance to reflect a more thorough and systematic, scientifically-based, evaluation of *Cannabis* cultivation for its potential health and environmental impacts. There is currently a lack of definition, and rigor, that belies what the citizens of this County deserve and expect. These issues are propagated into the recent

June 4, 2019

APCD Advisory.¹⁰ Besides the APCD's Advisory's conflation of "odor" with "VOCs" (when the former is a symptom of the latter), there is a conflation in the Advisory of various inequivalent approaches to protect air quality. In part 3b, the APCD Advisory refers to "activated carbon filtration systems" and "deodorizing systems" in one parenthetical expression, as examples of "odor abatement" and, in doing so, imply that these are equivalent technologies.¹⁰ Not only is this incorrect, but the presentation is diffuse, without reference to any specific system or its performance criteria. There is no specific basis presented for the APCD's recommendations for "HEPA" filters for smoking lounges, for example, and the U.S. EPA technical summary that is cited has no specific recommendations for *Cannabis* BVOCs or other air pollutants. In part 3a, the APCD again conflates measures to "abate odors" by co-listing "containment, ventilation, filters, control and/or deodorizing systems". As stated previously, firstly the recommendation emphasizes odors and not BVOCs. This is problematic, as emitted BVOCs in amounts below an odor threshold are uncertain with regards to their potential to contribute to health or environmental impacts. Secondly, in not systematically describing the objectives of these inequivalent measures, the APCD confuses in that: 1) "containment" and "ventilation" are not odor abating measures but rather are measures for air handling within entire facilities, 2) "filters" has a diffuse to no meaning in this context, and 3) "control" might well be equivalent to "containment" achieved by an appropriate technology, but neither "control" of odors nor "containment" of emissions is necessarily achieved by a "deodorizing" system. The APCD "strongly recommends the use of odor abatement measures that are designed by a professional engineer or certified industrial hygienist" but states no criteria for performance and makes no mention of a burden of proof that any proposed systems, albeit by licensed professionals, will perform in a manner that protects human health and the environment.¹⁰ Given the novelty of the *Cannabis* industry in California, not taking direct responsibility for setting performance criteria and establishing a means by which air quality can be protected from *Cannabis* emissions constitutes an abdication of responsibility by the APCD and, therefore, the County.

E. Conclusion. Assuming that the County-permitted *Cannabis* projects are to be ultimately held fully and effectively responsible for containing the adverse air emissions which they create, then the air handling and control systems mandated for that purpose should be established and proven technologies which do not generate excessive noise in peaceful neighborhoods. I, along with many immediate neighbors, as well as many other Santa Barbara County residents and property owners, expect Santa Barbara County to seriously attend to all aspects of the potential health and environmental concerns associated with the cultivation and manufacture of *Cannabis* — especially how commercial *Cannabis* operations will be compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods, will contain their adverse air emissions, and will not negatively impact the current quality of life and the environment of Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,



Patricia A. Holden, Ph.D.

Resident, 1205 Anderson Lane, Santa Barbara CA 93111

cc: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
Santa Barbara County Planning Commission members
Dennis Bozanich, Santa Barbara County CAO's office
Daniel Kleman, Deputy Director, County Planning & Development

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de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Linda Seiter <lasonpal@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 11:58 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis ordinance

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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As residents of 3293 Padaro Lane We are TOTALLY OPPOSED to the facility for growing Cannabis. At the rate the growing facilities are being approved the whole of Carpinteria will be experiencing the foul odor that apparently smells like a skunk. What a fine way to ruin the reputation of Carpinteria. Please consider the consequences when making your decision.
Thank you. Sincerely, concerned residents Linda Seiter & John Seiter

Sent from my iPhone

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Nadine Melancon <melancons@verizon.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2019 7:14 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Jeff Jacobsen
Subject: No Cannabis at 988 Fredensborg Canyon Road, Solvang

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We object to cannabis being grown in our residential neighborhood. We are concerned about the risk of increased crime, noise, traffic and odor and we have heard nothing about the abatement of these concerns.

We strongly urge you to deny the Conditional Use Permit for the growing of cannabis at 988 Fredensborg Canyon Road, Solvang.

Paul and Nadine Melancon

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: g b shepherd <outlook_68A058EA7A352D82@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 8:03 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Opposition

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Dear Supervisors,

Please register my opposition to ANY cannabis agriculture in the Santa Ynez Valley, and in particular opposition to growing cannabis on Ag-1 parcels.

Gerry Shepherd

Resident & Property Owner

Santa Ynez

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: syvrancho <syvrancho@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2019 2:51 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Mary ann
Subject: Issues and Permits

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Dear sbcob, We are hopeful you will reaffirm your position and prohibit smaller AG-1 zoned parcels from cannabis activities. Also you have to have caps on the size of the grows in our opinion. Also important, please do not grant any permit extension for any Cannabis activities at 988 Fredensborg Canyon road Thank you for your consideration regarding these extremely important issues. Respectfully,
David M Norcott
996 Fredensborg Canyon Road.

Sent from my iPhone

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Dorothy <danddspringer@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 15, 2019 1:25 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis

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Please reaffirm your stance to prohibit AG-1 parcels from cannabis activities.
Thank you. Dorothy and David Springer, 1673 Kronen Way, Solvang

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: William Vasquez <willvasquezvmg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 8:05 AM
To: sbcob; Paula Perotte; Jennifer Fullerton; Nancy Vasquez; Hartmann, Joan
Subject: Fwd: Cannabis Ordinance Update Board Hearing Early Notice

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Dear SBCBOS and Planning Committee:

Regarding the public hearing on July 9th as noted in the email below, my wife and I would like to provide our feedback regarding any proposed cannabis ordinances, approvals or provisions for operation in or directly adjacent to the City of Goleta.

We strongly oppose allowing any growing, cultivation, distribution or anything related to cannabis operations near our populated areas, for numerous reasons you've probably already heard, but including:

Safety - (cash-only business, and the lure of criminal activities of such operations, with little to no security)

Health - (stench during harvesting)

Maintaining our quality of life -these types of operations to nothing to enhance the quality of life, nor support maintaining and growing the value of our property investments - in fact to most people cannabis growing operations near a neighborhood would be a detractor for purchasing a family's home.

We see this operation like Trash/Waste Management: It's a big business, and should be setup far away from neighborhoods. There's plenty of open space away from our neighborhoods and we have no problem with their approved, legal business operations in County limits, although we also advocate for a management plan that limits the quantity of operations.

Thank you for your strong consideration of our requests to the Board - we trust you will do the right thing for our families.

Sincerely,

William and Nancy Vasquez
7880 Rio Vista Drive
Goleta, CA 93117

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From: Jennifer Fullerton <goletaspring@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jun 12, 2019 at 5:28 PM
Subject: Fwd: Cannabis Ordinance Update Board Hearing Early Notice
To: Jennifer Fullerton <Goletaspring@gmail.com>

Hi All,

Here's the info on the upcoming Supervisors meeting... I accidentally pressed send too soon..oops :)

Thanks!

Jen

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **County of Santa Barbara** <sbcwebmaster@countyofsb.org>

Date: Wed, Jun 5, 2019 at 2:35 PM

Subject: Cannabis Ordinance Update Board Hearing Early Notice

To: <goletaspring@gmail.com>

Notice of Public Hearing



Cannabis Ordinance Amendments Notice of Public Hearing

On **July 9, 2019**, the County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing and receive public testimony to consider adoption of amendments to the County Land Use Development Code (LUDC) and the Coastal Zoning Ordinance (Article II).

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

County Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

511 Lakeside Parkway

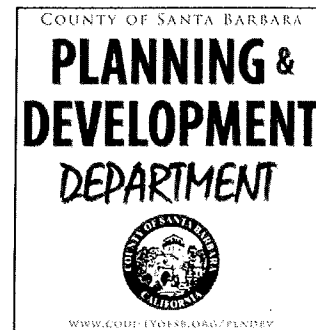
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Hearing begins at 9:00 A.M.

The amendments will expand the noticing requirements for commercial cannabis activities in inland and coastal areas of the County. The Board will also consider proposed LUDC amendments to further regulate commercial cannabis activities on certain Agriculture I (AG-I) zoned lands in the inland area.

This early notice is a courtesey and an additional notice will be sent out closer to the hearing date.

Written comments can be sent to: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, c/o Clerk of the Board, 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA, 93101, or you may provide comments in person at the Board of Supervisors hearing. Letters, with nine copies, should be filed with the Clerk of the



Contact:

Whitney Wilkinson

Long Range Planning

123 E. Anapamu Street

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Phone: 805.568.2067

E-mail:

wwilkinson@countyofsb.org

Board no later than 12:00 P.M. on the Friday before the Board of Supervisors hearing. Written comments are also welcome and may be emailed to sbcob@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attendance and participation by the public is invited and encouraged. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by 4:00 PM on Friday before the Board meeting. For information about these services please contact the Clerk of the Board at (805) 568-2240.

If you challenge the project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence to the Planning Commission prior to the public hearing.

You are receiving this email from the County of Santa Barbara because you requested updates when new project information is available. To unsubscribe, share this email, or otherwise manage your preferences, please see below:

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Santa Barbara, CA 93101 US

This email was sent to governor@co.santa-barbara.ca.us
To continue receiving our e-mails, click on the link below:

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Bob Houchens <Bob.Houchens@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 10:07 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Opposed to cannabis farming on small AG parcels

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To the Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors,

We are strongly opposed to cannabis activities on small parcels in Santa Barbara county in general, and on the parcel at 988 Fredensborg Canyon in Solvang in particular. This parcel is located very close to our small family-friendly rural neighborhood. It is inarguable that such an operation will lead to more crime and will devalue nearby properties. Should the planning commission allow this project to go forward, we and our neighbors will ask for an immediate reappraisal of our properties, which will presumably lower property tax revenues for years to come.

Thank you for your understanding that we want to maintain the family-friendly characteristics that first attracted us to our small agricultural community.

Robert and Carol Houchens
955 College Canyon Road
Solvang, CA 93463

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: P.J. Kunder <patriciajk@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2019 12:03 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: kaye@padaro.org
Subject: Cannabis Ordinance Board Hearing

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Sheryl and Barry K. Schwartz
3339 Padaro Lane
Carpinteria, CA 93013

June 24, 2019

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
c/o Clerk of the Board
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
Attention: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

We are very concerned Carpinterians. We have just built a beautiful home in Carpinteria and enjoy the Santa Barbara lifestyle and environment that the area provides. We are against the cannabis industry in Carpinteria.

Our health and well being depends on fresh, clean air. My wife suffers from inflammation of her chest wall and has severe asthma which worsens when coughing or taking deep breathes. Good air quality is a must. This is one reason that we built a new home by the ocean so that we have a better quality of life in our retirement years.

We know that cannabis releases organic compounds into the air which leads to smog and unhealthy air. In addition we understand that cannabis growers plan to release huge amounts of untested odor masking agents into the air. This cannot be good for us to breathe especially when our health is already compromised.

Our property value and our happy and healthy lives in Carpinteria is being impacted by the cannabis growers and it needs to be stopped.

We are asking the Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors to be mindful how important this is to the entire community and do the right thing. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Sheryl and Barry K. Schwartz

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Wilkinson, Whitney
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 11:15 AM
To: Board Letters
Subject: FW: Cebada Canyon - Pending Cannabis Permits

Greetings Clerk of the Board Staff,

I am assuming you were forwarded this comment on the upcoming cannabis ordinance amendments for the 7/9 hearing, but wanted to be sure.

Thanks,



Whitney Wilkinson
Senior Planner
Planning & Development, Long Range Planning Division
123 E. Anapamu St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
805-568-2067
<http://www.countyofsb.org/plndev/home.sbc>

From: Lackie, David <Dlackie@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 11:03 AM
To: Wilkinson, Whitney <wwilkinson@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>
Subject: FW: Cebada Canyon - Pending Cannabis Permits



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Supervising Planner
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From: Plowman, Lisa
Sent: Saturday, June 22, 2019 9:24 AM
To: Klemann, Daniel <dklemann@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>; Lackie, David <Dlackie@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>
Subject: Fwd: Cebada Canyon - Pending Cannabis Permits

FYI

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Miyasato, Mona" <mmiyasato@countyofsb.org>
Date: June 21, 2019 at 2:29:54 PM PDT
To: Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com>
Cc: "Plowman, Lisa" <lplowman@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>, "Bozanich, Dennis" <dBozanich@countyofsb.org>
Subject: Re: Cebada Canyon - Pending Cannabis Permits

Thank you for your comments. We will be discussing with the Board of Supervisors amendments to the existing ordinance. That is **tentatively** scheduled to occur in July 9.

I will forward your comments to our staff as part of their review.

On Jun 21, 2019, at 12:05 PM, Susan Ashbrook <sjashbrook@gmail.com> wrote:

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Ms. Miyasato,

Recently, many people have asked for updates on pending permits in our canyon. We have six commercial cannabis operations applying for a CUP who are "in review" or "waiting for an application". None of the applicants are land owners, they are leasing under an LLC. As you are aware from previous letters, owners in our small picturesque canyon have had to endure an increase in traffic on roads we maintain ourselves, the stench, high usage of water, theft for the first time, fear of fire, illegal workers living in RV's and tents and general fear for our safety.

We now understand many of these applicants have no intention to complete a CUP. They filed for a CUP to get their temporary and provisional licenses to continue growing. There is no time limit on a CUP application.

Please consider making important amendments to the Cannabis ordinance, and provide direction for future amendments!

- Temporary licenses, provisional licenses, legal non-conforming fraud are all stall tactics so that unlicensed growers can make millions of dollars growing and selling cannabis without paying taxes.
- **"Fast kill"** the hundreds of bogus CUP applications in the system! Stop the filing of incomplete CUP documents with no hope they will be completed and approved.

- Leasing land under LLCs dodges compliance with laws aimed at protecting waterways, land and the public. A county government in search of revenue has the power to stop the lunacy now.
- Quit kicking the can down the road. Is there any another business that can operate before meeting the government requirement to be in business, in a market that has massive oversupply?

Cebada Canyon is a residential neighborhood (EDRN). We don't want commercial cannabis in Cebada Canyon.

Thank you,
Susan Ashbrook

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Courtney Taylor <me@courtneyetaylor.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 11:57 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Rick Grimm
Subject: Comment RE 7/9/2019 Cannabis Agenda Item
Attachments: BOS 2019-06-27 Ltr RE Cannabis Ordinance Amendments.pdf

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Clerk of the Board:

Please find attached a letter from my client regarding an item on the Board of Supervisors' agenda set for July 9, 2019 regarding further amendments to cannabis regulations.

Thank you,
Courtney Taylor

Courtney E. Taylor

1005 Court Street #310, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

p: [805.316.1278](tel:805.316.1278) | **c:** [805.234.2706](tel:805.234.2706) | **w:** courtneyetaylor.com

Legal Counsel to the **Alcohol Beverage Industry**

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Grimm Estates
5400 Kentucky Road
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VIA EMAIL

sbcob@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

June 27, 2019

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

**RE: Proposed Amendments to Cannabis Regulations
Continued Concerns in AG-II Zones**

Dear Supervisors:

We live on Kentucky Road in Happy Canyon and purchased the property in 2010. We are writing again regarding the proposed additional amendments to the Cannabis Regulations currently outlined in Section 35.42.075 of the Santa Barbara County Land Use and Development Code, and our continued concerns regarding the inadequacy of the current regulations to address the compatibility of cannabis cultivation with existing neighboring uses in AG-II zones. Without discretionary review to allow County planners to implement site-specific and project-specific conditions, or address specific concerns of the public related to such compatibility, projects that are in direct contradiction to County policies are being approved in AG-II zones through the Land Use Permit process.

We find the recommendations provided by the County's Planning Commission to be insufficient to address these known compatibility issues and the adverse consequences of the current Cannabis Regulations as approved. As such, we urge the Board to not only adopt the Planning Commission's recommendations, but to immediately address significant issues in the AG-II zones. AG-II parcels cannot be prejudiced and excluded from protection and appropriate recourse merely due to their larger parcel size.

1. Conditional Use Permits in AG-II Zones

The Planning Commission recommendation includes a conditional use permit for all commercial cannabis activities on all AG-I lots and in the Coastal Zone. While we appreciate this recommendation for cannabis cultivation on AG-I parcels, we remain concerned that the same is not required on AG-II parcels. What has been overlooked by this recommendation is that there are impacts to neighbors of AG-II parcels that are parallel to the impacts the Planning Commission attempts to address with their recommendation for a conditional use permit for all commercial cannabis activities on all AG-I lots.

AG-II parcels will be significantly impacted by the cannabis cultivation proposed on certain lots, and site-specific review for impacts and potential mitigation measures must be required. The future of cannabis cultivation and its potential impacts are still unknown. It would behoove the Board to require County staff to take a more measured approach to which sites are approved for cultivation, and which mitigation measures should be required and implemented through permit conditions. The current ordinance fails to do this, and this has resulted in grows that exceed the scale of the world's largest outdoor cannabis cultivation site, which is 36 acres. On AG-II zones there are numerous outdoor

cultivation projects that are proposed for 30, 40, 50, 70 and even 150 acres. Many of these are concentrated in discrete areas where the cumulative impacts to neighboring uses (in many times residential uses) and surrounding areas will be extremely significant. If the Board is not inclined to amend the ordinance to address odor control or cultivation caps in AG-II zones, at the very least the Board should require a CUP for these projects to allow County staff and the Planning Commissioners to conduct such case-by-case review.

The EIR for the Cannabis Regulations acknowledges that “*land use compatibility review would be part of the CUP process to address any public concern regarding the compatibility of commercial cannabis cultivation proximate to mixed residential, residential ranchette, and agricultural uses that occur...*” The public process is completely circumvented in AG-II zones because the Land Use Permit approval is ministerial without a public hearing. This is true despite projects’ close proximity to residential and agricultural uses that are very likely impacted by cannabis cultivation, and the clustering of extremely large cultivation sites in discrete areas. As such, the ordinance needs to require review and analysis of these potential impacts in AG-II zones and the residents that reside on these parcels.

2. **Odor Abatement in AG-II Zones**

We remain extremely concerned that no assessment or mitigation regarding odor is required in AG-II zones regardless of parcel size, proximity to neighboring uses (including residential uses), and compatibility with neighboring uses. Given the lack of acreage caps within the County for cannabis cultivation, site-specific impacts due to odor and mitigation through odor abatement measures must be considered by reviewing staff. Such abatement could include a combination of agricultural buffer zones to setback the cultivation from property lines and requirements that odor not be detected offsite.

The Board’s rationale for excluding odor abatement on AG-II zoned parcels has been that the parcels are larger, and thus it has been implied and assumed that the cultivation does not have significant impacts on neighboring uses. The Board has assumed that the cultivation and its attendant impacts are farther from neighboring uses, and thus less likely to emit odors detectable on neighboring parcels. However, given the lack of a per-parcel acreage cap, overall acreage cap (except in Carpinteria), or required buffer zones, the pending cultivation permits and their respective site plans clearly demonstrate that this is not the case. Many of cultivation permit applications on larger AG-II parcels are for cultivation that occupies the majority of the parcel and are not adequately setback, if at all, from the property lines. The large-scale canopies nearby property lines, which in many cases have residential uses, will undoubtedly result in odor nuisances for neighboring parcels. At the very least, the Board should require County planning staff to review projects for these impacts and condition the projects according to this review.

Further, as drafted, there is no complaint process for issues related to odor in AG-II parcels. As such, without specific conditions to address odor for specific projects, neighbors have no recourse through the County Planning Department’s enforcement process. Section 35.42.075(6)(h) of the ordinance states that the Department must receive three verified complaints regarding odor events in any 365-day period prior to requiring corrective action to comply with the odor abatement requirements. The odor abatement requirements apply only to AG-I zones, so it can be inferred that the County has no authority for odor complaints in AG-II zones as there is no corrective action that County can require without “odor abatement requirements” to serve as baseline. If the odor is a nuisance, County staff must have a pathway to corrective actions for complaints concerning AG-II parcels.

The EIR specifically states that Cannabis Regulations “*would not permit cannabis activities within residential areas, due to potential conflicts between commercial operations and residential living such as from odors, traffic, noise, and employee trips.*” The EIR itself acknowledges the issue of odor generally when cultivation is near “residential areas”, yet odor abatement is not required on AG-II parcels despite projects being located

adjacent to residential uses. If the same residential uses were in a designated EDRN, or AG-I zones, odor abatement would be required under the ordinance.

We continue to urge the Board to consider and adopt an agricultural buffer of at least 1,500 feet from existing residences and existing developed agriculture (i.e. vineyards and orchards) located on an adjacent lot to be consistent with AG-I requirements. This buffer zone requirement also acknowledges that residential development is not always classified as an Existing Developed Rural Neighborhood (EDRN) (and thus triggering a CUP) or on an Urban-Rural Boundary (which also requires a CUP). Any neighborhoods not formally designed as EDRN or near an Urban-Rural Boundary have no forum to voice concerns through the LUP ministerial approval process, as a CUP is not currently required under any circumstances.

Policy I.F. of the County's adopted Agricultural Element further supports this requirement. It states: *"The quality and availability of water, air, and soil resources shall be protected through provisions including but not limited to, the stability of Urban/Rural Boundary Lines, maintenance of buffer areas around agricultural areas, and the promotion of conservation practices."*

As we have previously noted, all counties that have authorized cannabis cultivation have odor abatement requirements for any outdoor cultivation, without reference to parcel size, zoning, or any other factors. In keeping with best practices established by other California counties, we urge the Board to consider odor abatement requirements on any parcel applying to cultivate cannabis.

3. **Maximum Acreage Cap**

The ordinance does not set maximum acres for cultivation indoor or outdoor, and does not cap the number of cannabis cultivation permits that can be issued. All neighboring counties have implemented acreage caps that range from 10,000 square feet to 2 acres, per parcel regardless of parcel size. With no set maximum acreage in the current ordinance, there are currently 1,415 acres of cultivation pending permitting. Further, with no regulations in the ordinance or mandated review through a CUP process for siting of the larger grows, there are discrete areas that are on track to bear the burden of the majority of the outdoor cannabis cultivation, with cultivation that is not subject to required setbacks, odor abatement, or protections for neighbors.

In summary, we urge the Board to:

1. Eliminate LUPs for cultivation and require CUPs for all cultivation, including on AG-II zones
1. Require odor abatement analysis and mitigation for any cultivation, regardless of zoning
2. Cap overall cannabis cultivation in our County at a level that is consistent with the EIR

Sincerely,

Rick and Aurora Grimm

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Alexander, Jacquelyne
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 4:02 PM
To: Board Letters
Subject: Cannabis Public Comment - July 9th
Attachments: Friends of Shepard Mesa - Cannabis Public Comment - July 9, 2019.pdf



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FRIENDS OF SHEPARD MESA

To: The SB Board of Supervisors for Distribution

c/o Clerk J. Alexander: sbcob@countyofsb.org or 105 East Anapamu, Room 407

From: Friends of Shepard Mesa

Re: BOS Meeting —July 9, 2019

We are an Unincorporated Association representing 30+ Carpinteria residents and homeowners.

We hereby **Incorporate by Reference** the letter dated June 4, 2019, by Patricia Holden, PHD, concerning various environmental impacts. This letter was addressed to Lisa Plowman, Director of the DPD and copied to the BOS. Hereinafter referred to as "Holden Letter".

Appearance of Impropriety & Recusal

Given the Los Angeles Times article by Joe Mzingo, dated June 12, we believe there is a need to restore the public trust and to avoid the appearance of impropriety. **RECOMMEND** the voluntary and immediate recusal of the three Supervisors mentioned in the article from all Cannabis-related decisions. **FURTHER RECOMMEND** that *sua sponte* the BOS request an independent subpoena-powered investigation to "dig deeper", bolster public trust and ensure there were no violations.

Coastal Commission Communication

The Mzingo article stated that certain BOS correspondence to the Coastal Commission was drafted by CA Strategies, a cannabis lobby firm and sent—unedited—by the BOS to the CC. **RECOMMEND** that the BOS notify the CC that certain communications sent under the BOS letterhead were drafted by CA Strategies and forwarded, unedited, by the BOS.

Consistent Treatment

- **RECOMMEND** that the Ag-II Existing Developed Residential Neighborhood [EDRN] protections be applied to EDRN in the Ag-I zone as well. This is a loophole that makes no sense.
- **RECOGNIZE** that all county taxpayers are equal. **RECOMMEND** that in **both** the Coastal and Inland zones lot size minimums be increased.

Nuisance Abatement & Odor Eradication

- **RECOMMEND** that the BOS-controlled APCD neither implicitly nor explicitly "endorse 'deodorizing systems' which could—by their own uncertain emissions of other VOCs and additive chemicals – actually exacerbate ground level ozone formation..." Holden Letter
- **RECOGNIZE** that Nuisance Abatement is the county's responsibility. As such, require the Best Practices of other States and the independent vetting of competing technologies. Carbon Filtration and sealed greenhouses may work best—even if this requires newly constructed greenhouses rather than the existing circa 1950s-era facilities. **RECOMMEND** Carbon Filtration and sealed greenhouses unless/until other abatement technologies are vetted as it relates to long term low level exposure, are approved, and shown to be effective. Provisional Licenses should never vest (a Condition Precedent) until there is **complete and safe** odor eradication. **FURTHER RECOMMEND** annual and public compliance review hearings to ensure working emission controls and agreeable neighbor experience.

- **ROCOGNIZE** that it is a federal crime to “possess for distribution” MJ within 1,000’ of a school. **RECOMMEND** the immediate eradication of Terpene/VOC odors at schools and require a 1000’ county/city setback. VOC’s need more study, especially as it relates to children.

High Volume Cash Businesses Bring Crime:

- **RECOMMEND** that the county supplement additional police presence and protection in concentrated grow-areas and cities. The criminal aspect of MJ was recently highlighted on June 6, 2019 when industry laborers were detained and suspected of being part of an Armenian human trafficking ring. Of course, there were guns as well which is par for the course in any cash business whether licensed or not.

Recognize that MJ is not a “Crop” under the Right to Farm Act, unlike aother pre-Prop 64 Crops:

- **RECOMMEND** that the *APCD* and *Agricultural Commissioner* recognize that pursuant to state statutory and constitutional law Cannabis is not a “Crop” and manufacturing is not an “Ag Operation” under the Right to Farm Act. This is a psychoactive drug, illegal at the federal level, regulated by the BCC, with odors and environmental impacts that make most cultivation sites Nuisances—there is no Nuisance exemption.

The BOS is not omnipotent and there are too many long-term/open issues to continue:

- **RECOMMEND** a Moratorium on issuance of any new permits to cultivate to cool the community and re-examine the Ordinance.
- **RECOMMEND** an Economic Impact Study. First year Gross Revenues across ALL MJ revenue-buckets was just \$5.1M. Against this we have the potential for MJ to cause revenue decreases: property tax reductions from impacts to property values, impacts to other Ag, hospitality, tourism and the various SB-brands.
- **RECOMMEND** Health Studies re: VOC’s, among other things. We need to **know** through independent testing the **low level long-term 24/7 effects** of VOC’s, **including those used in Odor Mitigation Systems** on children, those with sensitivities, pregnant women and the general population. These studies are wholly different than studies on acute high-level exposures. **RECOGNIZE:** *“Odors are merely a symptom of VOC’s and the APCD’s continued “conflation” of “odor” and “VOCs” “is problematic, as emitted VOCs in amounts below an odor threshold are uncertain with regards to their potential to contribute to health or environmental impacts.”* Holden Letter

We live in a fractured media county & many actions were taken during evacuation periods:

- Many important hearings leading to the final Cannabis Ordinance occurred while we were evacuated and/or focused on fires, floods, and loss of life in early 2018. **RECOMMEND:** A transparent, unbiased community education campaign about Cannabis that informs our 400,000 residents: 1. We have issued more permits than any other County in CA; 2. We allow permit “stacking” such that one grower can hold hundreds of ¼ acre permits; 3. Many permit holders, some with scores of permits, have yet to plant/start growing—if you don’t smell it yet, you will; and 4. Our county doesn’t truly have neutral agencies or checks and balances as the BOS essentially controls the APCD and Planning Commission.

These Permits and Provisional Licenses are temporary and have yet to vest. Together we need to “put the genie back in the bottle” so that we fairly manage grower expectations with a narrowed Cannabis ordinance, more rigorous permits, and cool a very heated community.

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Daniel M. Jaffe <danya40@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 29, 2019 8:57 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: No Cannabis Permits in the Goleta Foothills

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Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to express my distress over the possibility that cannabis farms will be permitted in the Goleta Foothills above our home.

For over 18 years, my husband and I have lived off San Marcos Road where breezes and winds from the foothills routinely blow directly through our street and open windows.

To enjoy the tranquility **and fragrances** of our garden is a major source of daily joy: our sweet roses, our delicate citrus blossoms, our candy-scented naked ladies, our perfumey star jasmine, our honey-suckle pittosporum. Would you put our little Eden at risk by allowing foul-smelling cannabis farms to install themselves directly upwind? The stench would become a **public nuisance** ruining the joys of everyday life. **Carpinteria's experience proves that alleged stench mitigation measures are unrealistic and ineffective.**

Moreover: my husband and I have invested all spare cash into our home—maintenance, repair, renovation, insurance, and reduction of mortgage. If our neighborhood were to become undesirable because of cannabis farms, how could we possibly sell and recoup our investment?

Surely, you don't believe that cannabis profiteers are entitled to ruin our daily life by creating a public nuisance.

Surely, you don't believe that we should sacrifice the economic value of our home so that cannabis farmers may profit.

Surely, you won't argue that potential cannabis taxes are of greater value than the daily enjoyment and economic value of County residents' homes.

Surely, my rights as homeowner and 18-year County taxpayer take precedence over would-be cannabis profiteers who have neither lived here nor contributed to the County tax base all these years.

Please please please do not allow any cannabis farms in the Goleta Foothills.

Sincerely,
Daniel M. Jaffe
1041 Via Regina
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Miyasato, Mona
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 8:19 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Bozanich, Dennis
Subject: Fwd: Cannabis concerns in our EDRNs
Attachments: Dear Supervisors june 2019.doc; ATT00001.htm

Begin forwarded message:

From: Denise Ranch <denise@canyonspringranch.com>
Date: June 27, 2019 at 9:18:59 PM PDT
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Subject: Cannabis concerns in our EDRNs

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Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

Attached, please find my letter for the upcoming July 9th hearing.
I truly believe this can be resolved and we can get our neighborhood back.
"We the People," need your commitment to represent the "People", the residence of this county and your support of Responsible Cannabis.

Sincerely,
Denise Peterson

Dear Supervisors, June 27, 2019

I am writing to you once again on the Cannabis issue which has taken over our neighborhood, "We the People," rely on you to make the right decisions, protect our lands and the character of our county. The LA Times article brought up some facts that I believe we have all felt, the BOS partnering with the growers. I have attended almost all the meeting, written letters to no avail. I had to come indoors this afternoon because the cannabis stench is so strong today giving me a severe headache. I cannot even enjoy my ranch. I have lived here a lot longer and own property here unlike the growers that have rented land and took up shop. You have the power to control this "out of control invasion" you always have, its time you took the side of the people.

Of all the counties in California, you are responsible for one of the most pristine, highest real estate, biggest tourist destinations and letting it fall into the hands of cartels from around the world. You are in office for the people that live here, not the strangers that are coming from "All Parts Unknown" including foreign countries who want a piece of the wildly uncontrolled, unsupervised, Cannabis growth in Santa Barbara County.

- In my neighborhood there are 6 active CUPs that are all getting provisional licenses now; they can stretch out this CUP process indefinitely, grow under unregulated conditions, use extremely large amounts of water, heavy traffic, nothing has changed, you required a CUP, they have figured out a loop hole around that one. This is very concerning that there is no regulation of water consumption in place, no environmental regulations, no odor control and their big trucks continue to rumble down our private roads.
- I spoke to the planners on the cases in our canyon and I have reviewed the plans at the P&D office. Their proposed plans are outrageous, same bad actors taking advantage of the system. One grower estimates over 3 million gallons a year of water, times that by 6 and what happens to our aquifer? They do not live here; they can pack up and leave when the water is all gone.
- The State relies on you to vet these applicants. No inventory of the cannabis is conducted and no verification of the truthfulness of the affidavit was done. If they are going through the CUP process it looks like they are legit, they are not! Most have only submitted a plot plan, but keeping the case open.
- The growers in our EDRN are taking advantage of the lack of regulation and deadlines, and clearly have no intention of seeking a local permit. They will grow until they are told to stop. But with law enforcement's hands tied, by allowing Provisional State Licenses to be renewed, there is no deadline to end growing and they have no intention of coming into compliance. They know they do not have to complete their local permit. For them it is business as usual and the **county is seeing no tax revenue.**
- They surround the grow property with ugly plastic, I see people driving and walking up the streets (our private roads) to help with harvest, the other day a guy on his quad came zooming through my property, short cut to a grow above me. They are above the law.

Our quality of life, our natural environment, our health and safety are threatened. You have the **Authority** to ban cannabis, resolve this issue of commercial grows in neighborhoods.

Sincerely, Denise Peterson, Rancho Santa Rita Estates
Community and Countywide Advocate
Santa Barbara Coalition for Responsible Cannabis

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Miyasato, Mona
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 8:20 AM
To: sbcob
Cc: Bozanich, Dennis
Subject: Fwd: July 9th mtg Cannabis
Attachments: BOS June 27 2019 letter.doc; ATT00001.htm

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Subject: July 9th mtg Cannabis

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Dear BOS, please find attached my letter expressing my concerns and facts for you to consider for the July 9th meeting.

Tom Peterson
Rancho Santa Rita Estates

June 27, 2019 Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

We have lived in Rancho Santa Rita Estates for over 15 years. We are classified as an EDRN (Existing Developed Rural Neighborhood) all of our homes are on AG-1 properties. We have private roads which are paid and maintained by us, the property owners. Our roads are not asphalt roads, like many may think, but chip seal which will not hold up to heavy commercial traffic. This invasion is also destroying the character of our neighborhood.

6 CUPs (Conditional Use Permits) have been filed with P&D and are being processed/reviewed in our development. One of properties who's owner no longer lives here, he is leasing his property out for Commercial Cannabis. He once told me in 2008 when he purchased his home how lucky he was to have a quiet and safe place to raise his family. Now he is planning one of the most aggressive commercial grows in our canyon. Upon reviewing his application down in SB at Planning and Development, 2500 Wild Oak would bring at early estimates 15 to 20 workers daily as his growing would be year around in his proposed greenhouses, not hoop houses. So multiply that by 4 and we are talking very heavy traffic and our existing roads destroyed. Most applicants do not live here in our canyon or even own the property. One suggested they will carpool, carpooling is 2 people, who is going to police that? These workers also leave for lunch. I have already had to sit in my driveway and wait for at least 10 cars to pass at noon time, traffic numbers are nothing we have ever experienced before. Many of our private winding roads are 10 foot wide in spots, not enough room for private passenger cars much less than a 10 wheeler soil truck and vans hauling product.

Already there have been problems, 2 of the applicants (CUP) have been raided by law enforcement. One changed the name of the operation and the state issued him a new temporary license. Upon speaking with Cal Cannabis, they rely on our county to vet these people. The county went ahead and let him have a 2nd chance. If I get a DUI, can I just change my name, go to DMV and get a new license? The other property also had law enforcement seize product and they were shut down for false statements on his application, the county is still processing their application to grow cannabis in our canyon. Again no penalty for falsifying a legal document.

All of the commercial growers will tell you about the medical benefit of cannabis. So lets call it what it is which is a medical product (drug) manufactured by these growers. They are not growing something that will eliminate world hunger (I think it causes hunger). They are manufacturing a product and therefore should not be classified an AG product and has no place in AG zoned areas of Santa Barbara County. It belongs in a commercial zoned manufacturing area, not in neighborhoods.

I ask you to halt all commercial "drug" production in existing EDRNS and Ag 1 properties. We live here, the growers do not. Vote like they are next door to you.

Respectfully,

Tom Peterson

Rancho Santa Rita Estates, Lompoc

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Pat Pigatti <pjpigatti@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 29, 2019 12:05 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Concerns

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To Board of Supervisors,

My name is Pat Pigatti and I'm married with 3 children. I live on 7937 Rio Vista Dr, Goleta off of Winchester Canyon. Unfortunately I won't be able to make the mtg at Noon on the 2nd or the one on July 9th so I wanted to pass on my thoughts via email. I so much appreciate your time.

I, like so many of my neighbors, are sickened about what is going on with these permits for growing Cannabis near our homes. I attended a session outdoors with Gregg Hart a few weeks ago with some 70-80 neighbors over off of San Marcos Road. I wish I would have said my thoughts in a less emotional way but it was building up too much especially after I heard some of his responses that they were just relying on people like us to call or email them instead of county being proactive and doing inspections. Then he mentioned we have to pay \$600 to appeal something that we just found out about since the notices for these permits aren't noticeable. So we all find out through word of mouth which is too late. It's just crazy how these cannabis farms don't get the same scrutiny that homes do when they try to add on. It has to be a big money maker for the county which is why I said what I did. It makes us all feel that the county doesn't care about any our health, safety or lifestyle and the fact that all of our homes will go down in value which I feel like they already are going down. When I went home and spoke to my wife about what I said, she showed me the County Supervisors Mission Statement which reads:

Our Mission: *Provide quality public services to the people of Santa Barbara County in response to their need for a healthy, safe, and prosperous environment; and to establish and maintain a workforce which reflects the diversity of the community.* <https://www.countyofsb.org/bos>

This matches exactly what I said to Gregg. We all feel if the County wants to follow or live up to their mission, they wouldn't allow any of these farms to grow cannibals that is near or in the direct path of the wind towards houses or communities. But again I believe it's because it's income for the county and that overrides the mission. This is indeed hugely upsetting and frustrating!!! I feel like Greg was basically saying it is up to us to do all the investigating and insure there is enforcement. It seems completely lopsided in favor of the growers and not the hundreds of impacted neighbors.

Recently I heard that there was going to be a possible 2 mile limit to how close farms can grown cannabis. 2 miles is way to close especially when it's in line of the wind direction. **Can this be extended to 5 miles at least?** I prefer more than 7-8 miles though.

For those that are in favor of growing cannabis near peoples homes within a few miles away, what are the good reasons for this that are in favor of everyone in these neighborhoods? I'd really like to know because **we feel the only reasons are selfish for the county supervisors and the farmers since they will be ringing in all the benefits at the expense of others and again that is not in line with the SB Count Supervisors Mission.**

Thank you so much for listening,
Pat Pigatti

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Gene Boyle <boylemdc@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 30, 2019 8:38 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Marijuana growth and processing in my neighborhood

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Dear sirs, I am adamantly opposed to marijuana growth and processing in my neighborhood (Solvang) I live at 1856 Viborg Rd. just a stone's throw from one of the small parcels being considered for permit for cannabis growth. Please support the **prohibition** of cannabis growth and processing in our neighborhood. Thank you, E.J.Boyle (former mayor and council member, Solvang)

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Gene & Michele Boyle <boylemdc@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 30, 2019 9:00 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: A Resident of Solvang

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Dear Board Members:

Respectfully, it is with a heavy and burdened heart that I implore you to limit the amount of cannabis grow permits to 20 acres or more and also cap the number of permits.

I attended a presentation in Solvang about how the county is managing this situation.?? I believe that it is completely out of your control and the county is being manipulated.

There were dollar figures mentioned about the expected revenue. Then later there were dollar figures mentioned for the amount spent on enforcement.?? The county was proud of their presentation.?? What they didn't realize is that it costs at least as much to enforce the regulations as the revenue taken in.?? And this is during the temporary permit process.?? Please do not be blinded by greed and expect that you will earn a lot of revenue from the cannabis growers.

I believe there are unintended consequences to having so much unbalance of cannabis being produced:?? crime, scarring of the beautiful landscape, smell, more government control, just to name a few.

I request that you try to limit the cannabis production as much as possible and not ruin the beauty of Santa Barbara County.

Respectfully,

Michele Callian-Boyle

To: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
From: Allan + Kathleen Hunt
1454 Camino Melero
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Re: July 9, 2019 Meeting re: Cannabis growing permits.

We obviously object to the possibility of having large scale cannabis growing anywhere near our neighborhoods. It's not in anyone's best interest except the growers and whomever they are able to bribe - you know they will try. The public will be watching their elected officials closely on this land use issue. Please do your job for your constituents and do what you can to prevent this "cancer" from taking hold.

Respectfully,

Kathleen A. Hunt

Allan Hunt

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de la Guerra, Sheila

From: kelsey leonard <kellstudios01@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2019 10:06 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: RE: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019 Re Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance

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Dear Supervisors,

I support the legal cannabis industry, which supports numerous new, high paying jobs in our County. I'm writing to request that no additional changes be made to the Cannabis Ordinance.

I am a Carpinteria local and a member of the community. Santa Barbara county has grown and changed over the years and it is important that it continues to embrace progress and change.

I am concerned about the Board's consideration of additional restrictions and amendments to the Cannabis Ordinance. Cannabis is already the most highly regulated agricultural crop in Santa Barbara County.

I am troubled by the Board's disregard for the numerous restrictions the County has already placed on cannabis growers. Now, seeking further changes to the Ordinance, the Board is placing an even heavier burden on the shoulders of those who have relied on the County's regulations and invested our life and business by choosing to grow cannabis in Santa Barbara County, or start businesses that depend on local cannabis product. Further limiting landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County—the proliferation of black market or non-compliant grow operations. The negative impacts of illicit indoor and outdoor cultivation on the environment have been well-documented.

Santa Barbara has a unique opportunity to be the leader in sun grown, sustainable cannabis and expand its tourism industry. Polling demonstrates that the majority of our residents support the industry. We cannot allow a small group of vocal opponents to upend this unique opportunity.

For these reasons, I asked that you reject further restrictions on the industry and allow the cannabis growers time to comply with the well-crafted Ordinance already in place.

Sincerely,
Kelsey

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: jack motter <jackmotter@ellwoodcanyonfarms.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 7:57 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019 - Re Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance

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Dear Supervisors:

I support the legal cannabis industry, which supports numerous new, high paying jobs in our County. I'm writing to request that no additional changes be made to the Cannabis Ordinance.

Myself and business partner Jeffrey Kramer have been farming organic vegetables up Winchester and Ellwood Canyons For over 10 years. We are proud of the business we have built and feel blessed to be able to farm in such a beautiful area while supplying our local community with fresh healthy produce. Despite the hard work and dedication our vegetable business has always been a financial struggle and every year we continue to scrape by without minimal profits and often carrying lots of debt. Cannabis has been a critical and needed addition for our operations survival. We have been very excited with the opportunity it presents our farm to become more economically sustainable. Without this new crop it and opportunity we are not sure how much longer our farm and vegetable business would survive.

We are concerned about the Board's consideration of additional restrictions and amendments to the Land Use and Development Code and the Coastal Zoning Ordinance. Cannabis is already the most highly regulated agricultural crop in Santa Barbara County. We have worked diligently to secure all required local and state licenses and permits, as well as comply with the regulatory requirements imposed by state and local agencies. We have diligently worked through every painstaking detail of the permitting process with the State and the County, even though it often feels like we are chasing moving targets. The Board's consideration of further amendments is no exception.

I am troubled by the Board's disregard for the numerous restrictions the County has already placed on cannabis growers in our county. Now, seeking further changes to the Ordinance, the Board is placing an even heavier burden on the shoulders of those who have relied on the County's regulations and invested our life and business by choosing to grow cannabis in Santa Barbara County. Further limiting landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County—the existence of black market or non-compliant grow operations. The negative impacts of illicit indoor and outdoor cultivation on the environment have been well-documented.

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For these reasons, I ask that you reject the additional amendments in their entirety.

Sincerely,

Jack Motter

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Alexander, Jacquelyne

From: Linnea Beedy <linneabeedy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 10:08 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019 Re Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance

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Dear Supervisors:

My name is Linnea Beedy and I'm writing to request that no additional changes be made to the Cannabis Ordinance. I am the owner/operator of Klona, a medical propagation nursery in Santa Barbara County.

I am concerned about the Board's consideration of additional restrictions and amendments to the Cannabis Ordinance. Cannabis is already the most highly regulated agricultural crop in Santa Barbara County. I myself have worked hard to comply with and complete all the needed items for a LUP. I have had my LUP in review for almost 9 months and have been working hard with my planner to meet all the needed/changing requirements.

I am troubled by the Board seeking further changes to the Ordinance, the Board is placing an even heavier burden on the shoulders of those who have relied on the County's regulations and invested our life and business by choosing to grow cannabis in Santa Barbara County, or start businesses that depend on local cannabis product. If these additional restrictions are put in place I will be out of business. I am a small self funded operation that stands behind the medical benefits of cannabis. I farm on an AG2 parcel and do not cultivate to flower but I do come within the proposed 2 mile buffer. I feel a site specific review would be a better option than a blanket ordinance.

Further limiting landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County—the proliferation of black market or non-compliant grow operations. The negative impacts of illicit indoor and outdoor cultivation on the environment have been well-documented.

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Thanks
Linnea

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Code3bob <code3bob@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:09 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Board of supervisors

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

Here's the oxy moron. Our government will approve Opioids and there is clearly an epidemic of it's use and overdose. However, with Cannabis (even though now legal), you're going to attempt to sabotage and/or place needless restrictions on grow farms, and dispensaries?

Are you crazy? You would rather trust big pharma and let it continue to kill our own?

The money from the state/county taxes could be put to great use instead of always placing the burden on the working class by taxing them more. CA needs to take a good look at Colorado and Oregon. Look at Grants Pass in Oregon and see how the Cannabis money built new buildings and brought in more revenue to that city!

Get the medical facts straight instead of listening to those (who are not doctors) who still think it's a gateway drug.

Alcohol is more of a problem than Cannabis.

Respectfully,

Bob Sabado

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Julia Harshman <juliam.harshman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:27 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance, County Board of Supervisors Meeting -- July 9

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Dear Supervisors:

I support the legal cannabis industry, which supports numerous new, high paying jobs in our County. I am writing to request that no additional changes be made to the Cannabis Ordinance.

I am the Director of Compliance & Systems for Island Breeze Farms, LLC in Carpinteria, CA. Our company currently has temporary licenses to cultivate, nursery and process and we are in the process of applying for our provisional/ annual licenses. We are dedicated to being exemplary members of both the Carpinteria and Santa Barbara County communities, and the hiring of my position demonstrates that.

I am concerned about the Board's consideration of additional restrictions and amendments to the Cannabis Ordinance. Cannabis is already the most highly regulated agricultural crop in Santa Barbara County.

I am troubled by the Board's disregard for the numerous restrictions the County has already placed on cannabis growers. Now, seeking further changes to the Ordinance, the Board is placing an even heavier burden on the shoulders of those who have relied on the County's regulations and invested our life and business by choosing to grow cannabis in Santa Barbara County, or start businesses that depend on local cannabis product. Further limiting landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County—the proliferation of black market or non-compliant grow operations. The negative impacts of illicit indoor and outdoor cultivation on the environment have been well-documented.

Santa Barbara has a unique opportunity to be the leader in sun grown, sustainable cannabis and expand its tourism industry. Polling demonstrates that the majority of our residents support the industry. We cannot allow a small group of vocal opponents to upend this unique opportunity.

For these reasons, I asked that you reject further restrictions on the industry and allow the cannabis growers time to comply with the well-crafted Ordinance already in place.

Sincerely,

Julia M. Harshman, PhD
Island Breeze Farms, LLC
Director of Compliance & Systems
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From: Kathy Grimes <kmzgrimes@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:48 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis

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To whom it may concern,

I Kathleen Grimes wholeheartedly support the Tepusquet Community, the Santa Barbara Coalition for Responsible Cannabis and ALL Regions of Santa Barbara County that are advocating for RESPONSIBLE CANNIBIS LEGISLATION.

Our community has suffered enough, under the current lack of strict regulation. The Sheriff's Cannabis Compliance Team is struggling to keep up with the number of unverified affidavits and non-compliant growers.

PLEASE support all written and verbal recommendations, submitted by communities and/or groups, regarding this matter.

Thank you,

Kathleen M. Grimes

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Miyasato, Mona
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 4:20 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: Bozanich, Dennis
Subject: FW: Letter to the County of Supervisors
Attachments: Letter to County Supervisors 7.2.19.pdf

From: Henry Postma
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:50 PM
To: Lavagnino, Steve ; Williams, Das ; Adam, Peter ; Hartmann, Joan ; Hart, Gregg
Cc: Miyasato, Mona ; dbozanich@countyofsb.com
Subject: [DO NOT CLICK, Likely malicious content, contact your Departmental IT] Letter to the County of Supervisors

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Good Afternoon all,

I hope that this finds you enjoying the amazing weather that summer brings. Please find the attached letter, thank you for your review and attention.

Respectfully,

Hank Postma

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Dear County Supervisors,

I'm writing to inform you that my experience with commercial cannabis cultivation in Carpinteria differs greatly from one of the leading voices against cannabis in this county. My name is Hank Postma, and I live in Carpinteria in The Meadow housing development. Joan Esposito is my close neighbor since we moved in late 2018. I've witnessed her go door to door asking neighbors to support her in her mission against cannabis. I've seen her claims at public meetings.

I can attest that living in the exact same place as Ms. Esposito, odors are rarely ever detectable, especially starting in 2019. When I have smelled cannabis, it's hardly impactful. There's a trace scent that quickly dissipates.

My elementary school daughters also live here. To hear Ms. Esposito's testimony about how children can't play in our housing development is baffling. She repeats that her grandchildren have not been able to visit her in three years. We have friends visiting the Meadow View pool all the time without hesitation. None of the kids playing or parents socializing gives an ounce of thought to cannabis.

Ms. Esposito's experiences are her own. The vast differences in our two realities, side by side as neighbors, leads me to believe there's a group that will make radical claims in the interest of banning cannabis.

Additionally, I'm a strong proponent of the reduction of pesticide use that has resulted from state cannabis laws. I grew up in the Central Valley on an almond ranch. My dad died recently, my mom has been diagnosed with blood cancer and two of my aunts are suffering from illnesses, all related to chemical exposure from being in the heart of ag lands. Avocado farmers deserve success, but this issue with pesticide companies blaming strict cannabis laws for their chemical drift is absurd.

The truth is they can't control where their chemicals drift, and thanks to cannabis that issue has been exposed. I'm in full support of ending helicopter pesticide applications in Carpinteria Valley. Perhaps the county ag department should monitor spraying so we don't have to rely on cannabis testing to let us know that airborne chemicals are coming into greenhouse windows and likely the windows of our homes.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hank Postma', written in a cursive style.

Hank Postma

Resident of the Meadows

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: BRENT KOVACS <thebeej@cox.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 4:35 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Regulation of Cannabis

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Dear Supervisors:

It is our understanding that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is meeting to continue discussion regarding cannabis growing regulations. We have both lived in California our whole lives including the last 22 years in Santa Barbara County and were frankly disgusted that we were in the rational minority that voted against legalization of marijuana in the state. As a gastroenterologist I treat a number of patients every month who have marijuana hyperemesis syndrome which causes chronic intestinal complaints. No one seems to be discussing the negative health effects of marijuana and proponents only talk about the magical healing properties of the drug from weight loss to prevention and cure of diabetes to fighting cancer to treating autism and the remarkable claim of improving lung health.*

We recognize however that there is no going back at this point and therefore can only advocate to limit the damage that this law is going to do to our community. Our immediate concern is the cultivation and processing of cannabis in our neighborhood that is going to create increased traffic, crime and air pollution. It is our understanding that the current consideration is to prevent marijuana growing within 750 feet of a "sensitive receptor" (daycare, school or youth center). But one only needs to drive on the 101 through Carpinteria at any time day or night to recognize that the industry is having a major negative impact on the quality of lives of those that live in the area caused by the skunky odor over an extended area. First, 750 feet is clearly not far enough to prevent the odor from dissipating into "sensitive receptors" and second what about neighbors who are not in those zones? We live in a canyon area where wind blows. Our neighborhood abuts agricultural land currently zoned as AG-II. In fact, we could pick avocados over our back fence if we so desired. We implore you to help preserve our quality of life by limiting the amount of marijuana that can be cultivated and processed in neighborhoods not just near "sensitive receptors." Please fight to extend the 750 foot rule and limit the total concentration of marijuana around our neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Brent J Kovacs, MD Kristen C Kovacs

*<https://www.green-flower.com/articles/66/50-life-enhancing-benefits-of-cannabis>

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Karen Field <kneese@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 11:13 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis concerns

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Hello,
My name is Karen Field, and I am a resident of the second district, in a neighborhood off N. San Marcos Rd. a few blocks north of Cathedral Oaks.

I am writing to strongly urge you to revise the current cannabis cultivation policies in order to provide greater regulation of cultivation on Ag-II parcels. Ag-II lands border our neighborhood. I do not want the stench of cannabis growth wafting down into our homes. I want to be able to play outside with my young children and enjoy walks in my neighborhood. Permitting mature cannabis cultivation, particularly without any restrictions on quantity, as the current ordinance dictates, will degrade our quality of life. I live in Santa Barbara because I love being outside all year long. If you allow cannabis cultivation to become the crop of choice here, and if you allow Santa Barbara County to become the cannabis capital of California, then it is very likely we will have to move, as it will no longer be enjoyable or tolerable to spend time in our own backyard. (That is, assuming we can sell our house without taking a huge loss due to a potential drop in property values, since no one else wants to live next to a terrible smell, either.)

This is a crop that belongs far from residential neighborhoods. Its impact on the local community's quality of life puts it in a category unto itself - it is not the same as choosing to live next to an avocado or citrus farm.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Karen Field

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Matt Porter <mporter@bbofcal.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 7:26 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019

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Dear Supervisors:

I'm writing you to express my business's and my own personal support of the cannabis industry in Santa Barbara County. Below are some important points I'd like to convey related to this new and legal industry. Many of the points noted below are related to why I think this industry is good for all citizens of Santa Barbara County— whether they like the cannabis plant and its byproducts or not. Additionally, the idea of making yet more changes to the cannabis ordinance that has taken so much effort already for all the different county agencies to review and approve is simply bad public policy.

- First and foremost, Cannabis for medical or recreational use is legal in California. Proposition 64 was passed by a landslide majority of California citizens in 2016, most importantly locally it was passed in an overwhelming majority in our district.
- The Cannabis industry is providing hundreds and hundreds of good paying jobs for county residents who are therefore further supporting our county's economy.
- This new industry has created a significant financial boost for many non-cannabis businesses like ours, we provide integral support and advisory services to offer insurance protection to these legal operators so they can enjoy the benefits of operating in a legal framework.
- The cannabis businesses and their employees that I work with are exceptional people who have worked hard to comply with the law and provide good paying jobs with excellent benefits to take care of their employees. They have done everything in their power and continue to do so to be good neighbors and operate just as any other business would, however, there is a stigma attached to the industry purely because of the history of Cannabis.
- Agriculture is still the #1 economic driver in the County of Santa Barbara and cannabis is just the newest legal form of agriculture. This industry should be allowed to thrive and continue to positively contribute to our county just like any other agricultural crop.
- Further limiting any landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County regarding cannabis—the existence of black market or non-compliant grow operations. Since the tax revenue has come into the County there has been stepped up enforcement which will help stem this, however, the legal operators should not be penalized in the meantime due to the delays and need for time to establish a regulatory system.
- Santa Barbara County has a unique opportunity to be the leader in this industry and bring exceptional tax revenues and good paying jobs to boost our local economy, keep the unemployment rate down and receive the overall benefits that the Cannabis Industry can bring to all of our citizens in the County.

The support for the Cannabis Industry was shown clearly when the vast majority of our local neighbors and residents passed the legislation to legalize it with the intention of our local economy reaping the resulting benefits. Our legal operators and those working in the industry should not be penalized as a result of a small, but very vocal, minority who appear determined to make up any reason they can to stop the industry. Those who are against the cannabis industry have continually changed their arguments and reasons why the cultivators are an issue. This is clear evidence that our

operators have been working within the legal framework and taking every step possible to be good neighbors. Every argument that is brought up is addressed very quickly and then the detractors adjust their argument to try and create another issue. We appreciate your support and understanding to ensure that this industry is protected since it was passed in an election in which all citizens were given the opportunity to vote and voice their opinion and the voters spoke in favor of Cannabis.

Sincerely,

Matt Porter

Vice President | Santa Barbara

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From: Gregory Gandrud <Greg@gandrudfinancial.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 10:09 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis regulation

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Dear Members of the Board,

We live in the City of Carpinteria. Our back wall is at the city limit. Marijuana is being grown about 100 feet from our bedroom on the EverBloom Nursery parcel. My husband, Marllus Salgado, suffers from asthma. His asthma has gotten MUCH worse over the last couple of years that marijuana cultivation has been increased in the Carpinteria Valley. We are not sure whether it is the marijuana terpenes or if it is the terpenes in the Byers vapor phase system that is used for odor control. In any event, we are spending a fortune on nebulizers, inhalers, pills, and shots to treat the asthma. Even with all of these medications, the asthma is not well controlled. However, as soon as Marllus leaves area, the asthma improves immediately. We have made several trips recently, to San Jose, to Las Vegas, and at this moment that I am writing, we are in Florida. While away from Carpinteria, Marllus has no asthma.

Please amend the regulations so that cannabis can not be grown within 600 feet of residential parcels. Furthermore, please reduce the total number of acres of cannabis cultivation within the Carpinteria valley. There is way too much marijuana being grown adjacent to incompatible land uses.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Gandrud
1493 Chapparral Drive
Carpinteria

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From: Julie And Bob Cannata <cannata@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 10:43 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fwd: Marijuana production

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Julie And Bob Cannata <cannata@verizon.net>
Date: June 30, 2019 at 3:17:20 PM PDT
To: ghart@countyofsb.org
Subject: Marijuana production

Sent from my iPad

From: Julie And Bob Cannata <cannata@verizon.net>
Date: June 30, 2019 at 3:11:20 PM PDT
To: ghart@countyofsb.org
Subject: Marijuana cultivation

Dear Supervisor Hart,

It has been brought to our attention that marijuana production is being considered for the foothill area above our home. This area, Rancho Del Ciervo, has always been a residential neighborhood with views of the mountains and the sea. This enclave is bordered by avocado and lemon orchards. It would not be in the best interest of our households to have marijuana fields near our community.

The board of supervisors needs to be more vigilant about a federally restricted narcotic being produced in our area because it will forever change it's appearance and desirability.

Sincerely,

Julie and Robert Cannata

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From: troy rettig <troyrettig@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 10:45 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Pro Canna

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Dear Supervisor

I would like to tell a little about myself I have been around Cannabis for the majority of my life. It has brought so many great things into my life. And now that it is in the legal market I've been able to travel to different counties in CA. To cultivate. I have had the pleasure to meet great people and learn all different aspects of life. Cannabis provides much-needed pain relief for millions of people in the United States and billions in the world. It also brings relief to me as I have back pain. As a cultivator I would like to say that it is amazing to be a part of the changes in In Santa Barbara County. To try to better set good examples for our neighbors and be the best farmer for ourselves and our future. Hopefully all the money that we create through state and county licensing and permits That revenue can go to a good causes like schools, fire departments, and natural disasters That may occur in our county.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to us on both sides, hopefully we can come to an agreement where we can cultivate in a safe and friendly environment Sincerely Troy Rettig

Sent from my iPhone

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: amy@kopsun.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 12:01 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019 – Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance

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RE: County Board of Supervisors Meeting – July 9, 2019 – Amendments to Cannabis Ordinance

Dear Supervisors:

I support legal cannabis in Santa Barbara County.

My name is Amy Marie Orozco, and I live and work in the City of Carpinteria. I am a partner of KopSun LLC, a cannabis health and education resource.

I ask you to reject further restrictions on the legal cannabis industry and allow the cannabis farmers time to comply with the years-in-the-making cannabis ordinance already in place. I think everyone's time would be better spent weeding out black market cannabis.

Let's not allow a small group of loud bullies, whose original complaint – the smell – is steps away from being resolved, dictate policy.

Thank you for your service. This has been a very difficult time, and I imagine the Board of Supervisors is bearing the brunt of it.

Sincerely,

Amy Marie Orozco
4806 Sawyer Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013

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Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

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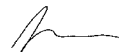
Over the past several years, we have developed a collaborative relationship with major cannabis farmers and auxiliary businesses in Santa Barbara County.

We feel very fortunate that this emerging industry has become a consistent and reliable customer. The industry is contributing to our progressive growth and economic bottomline.

Our company has always remained steadfast that economic prosperity is a two way street - where everyone benefits.

We are very confident that cannabis cultivation and farming in the County has been a viable economic engine that our business, employees and their families have benefited.

We all win when businesses work together to be successful and have a commitment to economic growth.



7/3/2019

Jake Knotts, Owner

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: heather hudson <graciegirlsurf@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 1:44 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: I support the legal cannabis industry

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Dear Supervisors:

I support the legal cannabis industry, which supports numerous new, high paying jobs in our County. I'm writing to request that no additional changes be made to the Cannabis Ordinance.

I am concerned about the Board's consideration of additional restrictions and amendments to the Land Use and Development Code and the Coastal Zoning Ordinance. Cannabis is already the most highly regulated agricultural crop in Santa Barbara County. I know hard working citizens who have worked diligently to secure all required local and state licenses and permits, as well as comply with the regulatory requirements imposed by state and local agencies. These citizens have diligently worked through every painstaking detail of the permitting process with the State and the County, even though it often feels like they are chasing moving targets. The Board's consideration of further amendments is no exception.

I am troubled by the Board's disregard for the numerous restrictions the County has already placed on cannabis growers in the Valley. Now, seeking further changes to the Ordinance, the Board is placing an even heavier burden on the shoulders of those who have relied on the County's regulations and invested their life and business by choosing to grow cannabis in Santa Barbara County. Further limiting landowners' ability to grow legal, highly regulated cannabis does not fix the main problem in this County—the existence of black market or non-compliant grow operations. The negative impacts of illicit indoor and outdoor cultivation on the environment have been well-documented.

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For these reasons, I ask that you reject the additional amendments in their entirety.

Sincerely,

Heather Hudson

Santa Barbara County

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Bud Sprague <budsprague@cox.net>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 1:50 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Cannabis Farming Inputs

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The Board has obviously passed some ordinances regarding cannabis growing in the County of Santa Barbara that were not very well thought out. They reflect poorly on our supervisors and their judgment.

Please listen to the views of our neighbors who are asking for common sense changes to the present ordinances.

Thank you,

Gordon Sprague
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Santa Barbara, CA 93111