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Public Comment- Group 12

**From:** Kyle Zuvella <kylezuvella@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 7, 2020 12:05 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Subject:** Read into record - Cannabis June 11



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As new residents to Carp, I am enraged you have not acted faster in fixing the nightly weed smell. I'm 31, healthy, and can't breathe at night. My wife, pregnant with our first born, can't sleep. Stop calling for patience. Stop disregarding your citizens. Do your jobs and end this - now.

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**From:** Kyle Zuvella <kylezuvella@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 7, 2020 12:26 AM  
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**Subject:** Full Comment - Cannabis June 11

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*Please note I sent an earlier comment to be read-in, but that had to be limited to 250 characters. This is my full comment I'd like added to the record and shared with the Council (I hope they read it!).*

Hello Board members,

I am speaking to you today as a new resident of Carpinteria. My wife and I fell in love with the area's natural beauty, friendly people and open air. We were excited to start a family and make this our home.

Until we spent our first night here. The nightly weed smell has completely taken over our lives. I am 31 and very health conscious, with no pre-existing conditions. I can barely breathe at night. My wife is pregnant with our first baby and lies awake unable to sleep. We purchased over \$1,000 in air purifiers and keep our windows closed - shutting out the open air we love. We've even left for her parents house on multiple occasions. Believe me, escaping to Oxnard is not what we envisioned when we purchased our Santa Barbara County home. For the first time, I'm legitimately angry at my local government.

I urge you to put aside your thoughts on tax revenues. To put aside your idea this topic is subjective and just a local minority. Protecting basic human rights is your primary duty ... and being able to breathe freely is the most basic right we have.

This is not a topic for patience, and not something to be swept under the rug. From my research, it has been years of inaction. Das Williams barely held on ... don't let that fool you into thinking voting against this measure is ok.

Please do your jobs and curtail this madness. This is beautiful Santa Barbara County, where we stand up for natural beauty - and what is right.

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**From:** John Barron <coolinbuell@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 8, 2020 7:53 AM  
**To:** sbcob  
**Cc:** Hartmann, Joan  
**Subject:** Document for record

**Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.**

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors, clerk:

This email was sent to Supervisors Hartmann, Lavagnino, Williams, Hart and Adams yesterday, June 7, 2020. At Supervisor Hartmann's recommendation I am asking that it be included into the record so that she may refer to it if and when this topic comes up for evaluation and further review by the general Board. My contact information is below.

Thank you.

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### A Growing Concern

Dear Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

My wife and I are Santa Ynez Valley residents and bicycle up Santa Rosa Road. We have seen first hand the expansion and scope of a number of huge marijuana plantations surrounded with heavy security. The acreage of these far surpasses those in Carpinteria. Some of these plants are under the hoop 'green' house structures but others are being grown in pots out in the open.

The prevailing breezes come up about 9 mos. of the year and are every day, often becoming strong winds blowing due east down both sides of the river valley. Perhaps without the concerns for odors, which Carpinteria has voiced for some time, the skunky odors are now daily around Buellton and becoming stronger. We live on Ballard Canyon Road so are about 5 mi. away from one of the more prevalent grow sites. There is now a very noticeable odor which is becoming stronger with the heat and the hotter months ahead. Sinsemilla buds (compacted flowers) have a higher, stickier resin content when it's hot so is more odorous during the upcoming months; but since this crop can be grown year round is noxious other months as well. Every single resident is now affected with this skunkiness. We are homeowners on the very far perimeter of the City of Buellton but thousands of other households are much closer. My wife has some health issues and is more sensitive to this pervading odor so she is now having to burn candles and we have ordered an air scenting mister, both of which should not be necessary or were envisioned as part of our health related reasons for moving to the SYV some sixteen years ago.

Three houses on our small street have been put up for sale in just the last couple of months. Mounting concerns are becoming apparent as to whether this now very obvious stench will affect property values. Where the County gains in some tax revenues the lack of foresight in compounded ramifications from this industry must not have been considered adequately when permits were granted, especially due to their enormity and prevailing wind issues. It is ironic that marijuana is regarded as being beneficial for health reasons by some while the rest of us have to deal with its deleterious effects.

At this point we would like to suggest that an air quality evaluation be done similar to that in Carpinteria for these upwind grow sites who may not have been required to have filters when permits were granted.

Sincerely,

John Barron  
Buellton Resident

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