Public Comment - Group 1





From:

Jonathan Roylance < jonathan.roylance@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 15, 2024 4:26 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Cannabis Stinks!

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It's come to my attention that a decline in complaints about the cannabis odor has been interpreted as progress in odor control.

It still stinks.

We smell it frequently.

Please regulate it better.

I shouldn't have to send an email every other day when I smell the skunky cannabis stench.

Regards, Jonathan Roylance 331 Alder Ln, Buellton 891-436-7721

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From:

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Sent:

Monday, April 15, 2024 4:33 PM

To:

sbcob

Subject:

Cannabis odor, abatement

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Hello, it's just come to my attention that the county actually believes that because the odor complaints are down, the problem is actually solved or has gotten better. That is an absolutely ridiculous assumption. Have you actually done anything to have the odor issue come to a close? The answer is no. I can't imagine that you can't figure out that maybe people are just tired of filing complaints. Do we need to arrange another campaign to flood your office with complaints? I don't mean to come across so aggressively, but if any of you reading this actually lived in this area and understood what the poor people in this area deal with, you would not be putting out notes that say that because the odor complaints are down, we maybe have solved this problem. It's very very frustrating, that's why so many of us in carpinteria especially were really excited to have Das Williams out of there, hoping that maybe some of the corruption would end and you guys would be forced to do your job and put a stop to this. Again, years from now like I've said before people are going to look back on this and just be amazed that people were allowed to destroy this area with this problem out of greed I'm assuming because if you live anywhere near it, you know how hard it is to live in that smell .

Please do your job and force people to either get the odor under control or get out. Note, they didn't go into their own neighborhoods and do this, they came into ours. Clearly were not known for solving problems.

Debbie McNamara

From:

Deborah Eppstein <deppstein@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 15, 2024 6:45 PM

To:

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Subject:

Cannabis our issues

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,

Thank you for this April 23 meeting to discuss and address the cannabis odor issues.

Odors from cannabis cause very real and detrimental physiological effect on neighbors subjected to them, including exacerbating asthma, Causing nausea, sore throat, headache, Cough and general respiratory problems. If anyone does not believe this, please visit a cannabis operation at harvest time. But in addition to these very real immediate negative effects, cannabis odors also contain the terpene **Beta Myrcene**, a known carcinogen included since 2015 on the **proposition 65** list of known carcinogens.

It is the responsibility of the government to protect residents from forced exposure often 24/7 for weeks to months on end to both the noxious odors and this carcinogen. No operation should be approved or allowed to continue that exposes residents to these compounds. There are well tested methods to control such odors from indoor and greenhouse cultivation, using carbon filters and appropriate ventilation systems. There are scientifically validated methods to test for levels of the terpenes outside the operation parcel boundary, which should be rigorously utilized by the County to ensure that these odor and carcinogenic compounds do not leave the cannabis operation premises.

However, for outdoor cultivation, the only mitigation is long distances, as these odor molecules can travel over 3000 feet, even more if propelled downwind. Spraying so-called odorneutralizing agents at the perimeters of outdoor cultivation sites is not a solution, as this can never neutralize odors from a large field, especially when hills and air currents exist. Furthermore, the long-term safety of those agents has not been tested, including on reproduction, in infants, children, adults, elderly and the infirm.

There is no way the legal requirements of Prop 65 can be met by posting a warning on neighboring parcels, notifying the residents that they can leave their homes and the area if they want to avoid exposure.

The solution involves 1) rigorous odor filtration from indoor and greenhouse cultivation with quantitative terpene monitoring to ensure that no terpenes leave the cultivation parcel boundary, and 2) requiring very long setbacks from outdoor cultivation sites also with quantitative monitoring of terpenes at parcel boundaries, with the requirement for all cultivation and processing operations that the cannabis odor, terpenes and carcinogens do not leave that parcel boundary.

Thank you for considering these crucial points.

Sincerely,

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From:

Eileen Read <eileenwhiteread@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 15, 2024 7:10 PM

To:

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Cc: Subject: charles.read@charlesreadlaw.com Controlling the Stench of Cannabis

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,

We are writing to you regarding the very strong smell of cannabis that pervades certain areas of Carpinteria, where frequently we are visitors. Over the past several years' growth of the local cannabis industry, we have been continually surprised by how strong the smell is - a stench if we are being honest. We cannot imagine the effect this has daily on the citizens of Carpinteria, especially children and teenagers and the elderly, and on workers who commute to Carpinteria for their jobs each day. We have read that carbon filtration systems, known as "scrubbers," are most effective in cleaning the air of these nuisance odors.

We strongly support the efforts of Carpinteria Councilmember Roy Lee, soon to be our County District 1 Supervisor, to require cannabis growers and producers to install carbon filtration systems in the Carpinteria Valley and in any other county area where the stench of cannabis interferes with residents' and workers' quality of life.

Thank you for all that you do for our county,

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From:

William Dentzel

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Sent:

Monday, April 15, 2024 8:02 PM

To:

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Subject:

Pot smell

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Too much. I live in Solvang and occasionally drive to Lompoc via Santa Rosa Road. Not a good scene! Please do something about this issue. Too much pot smell. Too much pot infrastructure, especially the high wired fences and oceans of greenhouses. Not a benefit to any of us living here!

Thanks

Bill Dentzel

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From:

Wendy Spencer < wendyhspencer@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 10:24 PM

To:

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Subject:

Carpinteria Cannabis Odor- it still stinks

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Dear Members of the SB BoS,

To state that because the cannabis odor complaints are declining that the odor must be lessening is a false assumption.

The fact is that we are very tired of complaining, to no avail. After seven years of sunrise and sunset odors, complaining all the time has gotten us nowhere. So why continue?

If the growers are not using scrubbers or odor abatement properly, then the odor continues. That can be your assumption.

Bottom line, it still stinks. It stinks near Memorial Park twice a day. It also stinks on Dariesa near Casitas Pass, most times during the day when I visit that street. There are other areas along Foothill where it's blatantly obvious any time you drive past.

After seven years, complaints can NO LONGER be your indicator.

Respectfully, Wendy Spencer Carpinteria, CA

Sent from my iPhone

From:

jep2324@comcast.net

Sent:

Thursday, April 18, 2024 12:34 AM

To:

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Subject:

Cannabis in Buellton

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.

As a resident of Buellton, I am dismayed that Santa Barbara County has not eliminated the disgusting cannabis odor problem. In the winter most people will not complain about the odor because their windows are closed due to the cold and rain. But I smell the problem late at night when I am airing out my house hoping for fresh air. The cannabis smell prevails. I also smell it on a windy day when picking up my mail outside.

Now that the weather is warming up, a person can not open up their house due to the stench. As a senior citizen with asthma I am sensitive to air quality. We have so much wind that brings the odors into my space. I resent the apathy displayed by Santa Barbara County. I am sad to see this county follow in lock step with those who bow to greed instead of helping its citizens.

Frustrated citizen, Susan Perry Buellton resident