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To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Carrillo
September 3, 2022

I would like to request that you don't support the appeal of 5980 Casitas Pass Mixed-Light Cannabis Cultivation Project.

1. Please uphold the Planning Commission's added condition regarding the installation of utilizing internal greenhouse odor scrubbers/filters no later than 12 months from the project approval.
2. In another project located at 3450 Via Real, in Carpinteria, owned and operated by the same owners and operators as this one there is a statement in their OAP for 3450 Via Real that "carbon scrubbing is considered the best industry practice to mitigate odors". Why at that location and not at this location? Are some residents valued more than others?
3. The vapor phase system, whether it's the Byers System or Fogco causes some health issues for some people, possibly 10-15%. Some people experience allergies that they've never had before and other respiratory ailments. Fogco uses the Benzaco Scientific Odor-Armor 420 EPE chemical deodorizer. While the exact chemical make-up of the deodorizer has not been disclosed but does identify that the deodorizer uses "essential oil" chemicals. This class of chemicals is capable of causing nausea, headaches, asthma and the neighbors and Cate School currently experience this.
4. Only 5980 and the neighboring parcel owned by the same owner and operator use Fogco. A spray is emitted. One does not know what the long-term effects are of inhaling this new ingredient into Carpinteria's local air.
5. The majority of commercial cannabis locations (probably around 13) in Carpinteria Valley are still using the Byers vapor phase system which emits the "mist/spray" 24/7 which again one does not know what the long-term effects are of constant inhaling this new ingredient into Carpinteria's local air.
6. The carbon scrubbing method captures the smelly terpenes inside the greenhouses before the vents are opened, while the vapor phase system sends out their spray trying to meet the the terpene molecules as they are vented out the top of the greenhouses. It makes sense to try to capture odors inside a building before the odors are allowed to escape.
7. There are still some very "smelly" areas in Carpinteria. They are on Foothill Rd. Between Nidever and Arroyo Paredon Creek. Odors are also experienced on Foothill Rd. near the western side of the high

school. One experiences odors all along Casitas Pass Rd., from the corner of Casitas and Foothill Rd. all the way to Lions Park. Recently, driving on the 101 from about Nidever to Santa Claus bridge the cannabis odors have been very strong at 8am.

8. The community has been told over and over that once commercial cannabis operators receive their CDP, the county Planning Dept. could enforce against odor complaints but this still has not occurred. Now the current explanation given is that enforcement can not occur because the County is unable to identify the source of the odor. One of the current worst offenders is a commercial cannabis project located on Foothill Rd. near Nidever. When one walks, drives, or rides his bike near this fully permitted operator who is using a vapor phase system and a complaint is reported to the County complaint site, one receives a response indicating that the complaint has been logged in. A compliant officer for this project told me that it takes about 2 weeks for the operator to hear about the complaint made through the county.

9. At this same location, the landscape plants are dying. I assume it must be from the constant mist being sprayed 24/7.

10. For the 13 current grows and the 4 potential new cannabis operations, it is predicted that between 586 - 1173 tons of Vapor Phase chemicals will be sprayed into the air continuously. It may take up to two months to degrade the first application. This is another reason why carbon scrubbers should be mandated for all commercial cannabis sites.

11. For the record, the number of complaints may be down, some decline is due to better attempts at controlling the odor, but the fact is that many people are tired of complaining because their complaints don't result in any changes.

12. The tiered response in the agreement between the Coalition and Carpinteria Growers unfortunately has not been successful yet in improving the odor situation. It needs to be the responsibility of the grower to contain their odors and not let them leave their property.

13. I urge you to deny this appeal for the health of Carpinteria.

Thank you,