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To: Mendocino County Planning Commissioners ([pbs@mendocinocounty.org](mailto:pbs@mendocinocounty.org))

To: The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

cc: Sheriff, Mendocino County

Re: Cannabis Expansion Ordinance

The land is dry and the winds are blowing. It is already wildfire weather. We have a drought emergency. We are hoping that Mendocino's elected officials, commissions and agencies are taking their social and ethical responsibilities seriously. The geology and hydrology of our county is complex. Our river and aquifers are being syphoned off and not being recharged by rain or snowpack. There is no sufficient oversight from the Planning Department and no way our Sheriff's office can enforce the law on existing illegal grows. They need your support, not a much bigger problem.

It is a fantasy to think that droughts, wildfires, and climate change won't impact Mendocino County. Please look at the science and not some outdated belief in trickle down economics. Our communities should not be considered disposable. Please do not bow to the promise of shiny tax dollars that you imagine flowing into the coffers when we are gone. Expansion would be a scandalous fiasco. It would look like you were trying to slip through a loophole ... at the last minute ... during a pandemic.

Sincerely,

Sandra Mullen  
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