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Greetings Planning Commission Members,

The last time you had this issue before you, you received close to 400 messages on the topic, the vast majority of which were supporting a position of saying no to the 10% expansion illogically attached to the phase 3 ordinance. You heard many concerns, increased fire danger, personal water wells being negatively effected, the ongoing drought, etc etc etc. And yet here we are. I don't feel a need to go into detail and enumerate my personal reasons for feeling that the expansion, and certain other components of phase 3, are worrisome. My current biggest concern is that four of the five county supervisors seem so intent to push this ordinance onto the residents of this county who have so vocally opposed it. I believe all of the Municipal Advisory Committees have advised against the expansion, for example. So at this point I beseech you to just follow the will of the people, and say no to expanded growing areas for cannabis production, no plastic hoop houses, no lit at night greenhouses. Keep it Simple, and let Mendocino make a name for itself for all of the right reasons. Entirely sun grown, regenerative gardening, small craft gardens.

Thank you for your time and energy. I remain steadfast in my believe that you will do the right thing, and uphold the rare and precious energy our county has, instead of trying to turn it into a place where the bottom line looks only at the cold hard dollar, instead of factoring in community, sense of place, heritage, wildlife, carbon footprint, and emotional aesthetics.

Respectfully,  
Rosie Brown