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Dear Sonoma County Board of Supervisors,

It is my distinct understanding that the following findings must be satisfied prior to securing a use permit for a Cannabis grow application;

“The design location size and operating characteristics of the use is considered compatible with the existing and future land uses within the vicinity. The use would not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, comfort and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of such use, nor be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood or the general welfare of the area”

I therefore object to the commercial grow located at _____ because of the following points [check marked] are in direct conflict with the county’s requirements prior to securing a use permit for a cannabis grow operation:

Please click on each item that concerns you:

Property Values

- Decline in property Values in particular for adjacent properties
- Intrusive, and inappropriate for the setting, security apparatus - guards, fencing, dogs, lighting cameras, alarms
- Odor from grows can be substantial and irritating for months
- Negative Impact on historic residential character of the area
- On a split zoned parcel (RR / LEA), surrounded by RR parcels
- Proximity to prime farmland of local and state importance
- Next to designated scenic corridor

Traffic

- Hazards due to aging or un-scalable infrastructure
- Significant fire hazard, lack of hydrants, emergency access
- Lack of emergency services access
- Inadequate Utility Services - high energy usage
- Property on private easement. Property owners do not agree with this use of private property

Environmental and pollution

- Noise pollution
- Lighting pollution
- Waste Management - disposal of large amounts of waste
- Water use and impact on neighboring wells
- Sensitive environmental area. Owls, Reptiles, animals
- Water and ground Contamination

Proximity Issues

Less than 1,000 feet from Schools, bus stops, churches, local parks
Proximity to school property (ball field), bus stop
Proximity to local park
Proximity to my fence/house

Non conformity with the ordinance

Build out of this site proceeded before permit was processed
Question of conformance with Dairy Belt Area Plan
Owner and lessee are out of area speculators with no connection to Rural Sonoma
Does not comply with my specific Area Plan

Crime

History of crime associated with cannabis operations
Large amounts of products and cash handling at site
Incomplete security and background checks of employees
Currently a Federal Class I narcotic substance
Lengthy response time for law enforcement services to rural locations

Other:

I hereby submit my complete and absolute objection to the proposed grow. I hereby request you to immediately revoke any liberties, permits or advantages you have advanced to this property owner and applicant.

Sincerely,