

Public Comment

Attachment 8

From: Redbud Audubon <redbud.audubon@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 2:50 PM
To: Lake County Community Development <CDD@lakecountyca.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Poverty Flats Cannabis UP 23-09

July 18, 2024

Redbud Audubon would like to submit the following comments for UP 23-09 Poverty Flats, Clearlake Oaks, CA

We find a lot of information is missing: cumulative effects, more details on number and employment times (full-time/part-time or seasonal), tree removal (if the road is widened as mentioned on page 18 they will have to remove over a hundred trees but there are a couple of places in the report that says no trees will be removed with this project, was a cultural assessment completed?

I didn't see where Northshore Fire District and other agencies like USFS, BLM, sheriff were asked to comment and why wasn't this checked of if they were?

Have the tribes been asked for comments?

Was this in error or are the commercial zoning clearance and permit for a pump house, 2 shipping containers, sheds and water tanks a part of this project?

And has deep trenching and freading been investigated? We sent drone footage of the action to the Road Map Task Force but have not heard back.

We look forward to more information on this project.

Thank you,
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From: [Annje Dodd, PhD P.E.](#)
To: [Max Stockton](#)
Cc: [Cody Leck](#); [Mary Claybon](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support Letter for Poverty flats UP 23-09
Date: Thursday, May 15, 2025 10:41:57 AM
Attachments: [image113683.png](#)
[image214621.png](#)
[image107602.png](#)

Hi Max,

Please see Cody Leck's email of support below.

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From: Cody Leck <wcleck@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2025 10:39 AM
To: Annje Dodd, PhD P.E. <Annje@northpointeureka.com>
Subject: Re: Barthel Project Support

Hello, I'm writing a letter of support for Poverty flats UP 23-09. I've know Bob and Rusty for years, not only are they great guys, but they are great stewards of their land. This project is the best and highest use of their land for generating income for their families, but also tax revenue for all of lake county communities.

Thanks, Cody
Sent from my iPhone

May 15, 2025

Lake County Planning Commission
Lake County Courthouse
225 South Forbes Street
Lakeport, California 95453

Re: Poverty Flats Project - UP 23-09 and IS 23-20

Dear Planning Commissioners:

I have read through the County CEQA Initial Study and reviewed the site plans for the Poverty Flats cannabis cultivation project and want to express my support for approval of the Major Use Permit.

The project description indicates that the parcel is 196.7 acres in size and that the proposed cannabis cultivation area is 5.69 acres (less than 3% parcel coverage). The proposed outdoor gardens and associated work areas are about a mile south of High Valley Road. Proposed development associated with the project – including greenhouses and buildings will be located outside of the Scenic Combining District boundary. The cultivation areas and disturbed areas are also located outside of appropriate stream and wetland buffers, per State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regulations.

The proposed project is appropriately zoned (RL District) and is in a rural, isolated area with scattered rural land, agriculture properties, and open space properties nearby. According to the Lake County CEQA Initial Study on page 59 – “The Proposed project is consistent with the existing General Plan, Shoreline Communities Local Area Plan due to the rugged, mountainous terrain and east-facing slope that will not obstruct public views on the lake, and Zoning designation, including Article 27 of the County of Lake Zoning Ordinance, which allows cannabis cultivation in lands Zoned as RL. The Project is consistent with the Lake County Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance (Number 3084). Furthermore, the Project Site is not located in a Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Exclusion Zone, as defined by the County.”

The Mandatory Findings set forth in the County CEQA Initial Study indicate that – “The Proposed project has potential to result in adverse indirect or direct effects on human beings in the areas Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Noise, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities and Service Systems, and Wildfire. Implementation of and compliance with mitigation measures identified in each section would reduce impacts to ‘less than significant’ levels.”

The proposed project has submitted documentation, technical reports, and plans in accordance with Article 27 of the Lake County Zoning Ordinance. There are considerable facts and information in the CEQA Initial Study which support approval of and the establishment of the cannabis cultivation project on the subject property.

The proposed outdoor cultivation project could support Agri-tourism and help the County of Lake meet its goals of communicating the area's amenities and attributes to help meet or exceed the potential for increased tourism and enhanced visitor experiences.

The cannabis farm business income, the generation of County revenues, employment opportunities, and the increased expenditure of employee's disposable income within Lake County, will all help enhance and maintain a healthy local economy and produce jobs.

The proposed project will help support the Lake County economy with a properly sited, well designed cultivation project. Cannabis cultivation activities in Lake County have the potential to become a foundation for economic expansion.

It is respectfully requested that the Lake County Planning Commission approve the Major Use Permit application for the Poverty Flats cannabis cultivation project.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard Knoll

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Lucas Bingham
Sheriff / Coroner

Date: 05/15/2025

To: ANNJANETTE DODD

Address:

Email: annje@northpointeureka.com

Re: Public Records Act Request No. 2270

This letter shall serve as a response to your California Public Records Act request received by the Lake County Sheriff's Office on 05/09/2025

☐ Your request has been received and is currently under review.

☒ Responsive records are attached.

☐ We have no responsive records.

☐ Records are denied per

☐ An extension is being requested per Government Code 7922.535

☒ Additional Information: THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION WE HAVE ON THE
PROVIDED ADDRESS

Redactions pursuant to California Government Code 7923.600 and 7922.000

Sincerely,

Lucas Bingham
Sheriff - Coroner

By: *Sierra Baker*

Sierra Baker
Senior Law Enforcement
Records Technician



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CAD INCIDENT REPORT

2004280094

05/15/2025

LAKE CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONTROLLED DOCUMENT- DO NOT COPY

Location 10535 HIGH VALLEY RD				Cross Streets BARTLETT SPRINGS RD/V			City CLEARLAKE OAKS		
Incident Type SUSC - SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES				Call Taker EPB			Dispatcher SHARDISTY		
Date 04/28/2020	Priority	Primary Unit 457	Beat 4B	Fire Zone R	Area 4B	Map 3	Source TELEPHONE CALL	Channel	
Caller Name [REDACTED] ROBERT [REDACTED]				Caller Address				Caller Phone	
Dispositions GONE ON ARRIVAL					Weapon		Alm Level		Case Number
Vehicles					Associated Incidents				
Incident Times Received 16:42:38 Created 16:55:18 Dispatched 17:18:13 En Route 17:18:16 On Scene 17:29:35 Closed 17:32:40 Revd-Closed 50:02		Special Circumstances							
		Persons		Sex	DOB	Race	DL		
Unit Times	Deputies	Dispatched	Enroute	On Scene	Clear	Disp-On Scene	Enrt-On Scene	On Scene-Clear	Disp-Clear
457	S0672	17:18:13	17:18:16		17:31:14	N/A	N/A	N/A	13:01
445	S0049	17:29:35		17:29:35	17:32:40	N/A	N/A	03:05	03:05

Incident Comments

BETWEEN ADDRESS AND BRASS FIELD WINERY... THERE IS A SUSP RV W/ A PICKUP AND A K9 STAYING ON THE COUNTY RD....RP IS CONCERNED THERE IS A NO TRESPASSING SIGN AND ONGOING ISSUES IN THE AREA...



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CAD INCIDENT REPORT

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05/15/2025

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Location 10535 HIGH VALLEY RD				Cross Streets BARTLETT SPRINGS RD/V			City CLEARLAKE OAKS				
Incident Type SUSC - SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES				Call Taker KME			Dispatcher ACS				
Date 05/02/2020	Priority	Primary Unit 437	Beat 4B	Fire Zone R	Area 4B	Map 3	Source TELEPHONE CALL	Channel			
Caller Name [REDACTED] ROBERT [REDACTED]				Caller Address				Caller Phone			
Dispositions GONE ON ARRIVAL					Weapon		Alm Level		Case Number		
Vehicles 2010 Toyota, [REDACTED] /CA 2010 Toyota, [REDACTED] /CA					Associated Incidents						
Incident Times Received 13:43:52 Created 13:46:25 Dispatched 13:51:11 En Route On Scene 14:03:42 Closed 14:10:51 Revd-Closed 26:59		Special Circumstances									
		Persons		Sex		DOB		Race		DL	
Unit Times		Deputies		Dispatched	Enroute	On Scene	Clear	Disp-On Scene	Enrt-On Scene	On Scene-Clear	Disp-Clear
437		S0471		13:51:11		14:03:42	14:10:45	12:31	N/A	07:03	19:34
463		S0420		13:51:11			14:10:51	N/A	N/A	N/A	19:40

Incident Comments

BETWEEN ADDRESS AND BRASSFIELD WINERY**TOYOTA TUNDRA THAT PEOPLE ARE CAMPING OUT OF WITH A K9 TIED UP OUTSIDE OF IT, RP HAS HAD HX OF PEOPLE 602ING AND CUTTING LOCKS AND WOULD LIKE THEM TO MOVE ON.



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CAD INCIDENT REPORT

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Location 10535 HIGH VALLEY RD				Cross Streets BARTLETT SPRINGS RD/V			City CLEARLAKE OAKS		
Incident Type 374P - ILLEGAL DUMPING				Call Taker SHARDISTY			Dispatcher KME		
Date 07/11/2020	Priority	Primary Unit 426	Beat 4B	Fire Zone R	Area 4B	Map 3	Source TELEPHONE CALL	Channel	
Caller Name [REDACTED] ROBERT [REDACTED]				Caller Address				Caller Phone	
Dispositions GONE ON ARRIVAL, GONE ON ARRIVAL					Weapon		Alm Level		Case Number
Vehicles					Associated Incidents				
Incident Times Received 14:01:17 Created 14:04:09 Dispatched 14:08:48 En Route On Scene 14:17:09 Closed 14:44:47 Rcvd-Closed 43:30		Special Circumstances							
		Persons		Sex	DOB	Race	DL		
Unit Times	Deputies	Dispatched	Enroute	On Scene	Clear	Disp-On Scene	Enrt-On Scene	On Scene-Clear	Disp-Clear
426	S0644	14:08:48		14:17:13	14:44:47	08:25	N/A	27:34	35:59
433	S0475	14:08:48		14:17:09	14:44:47	08:21	N/A	27:38	35:59

Incident Comments

PEOPLE IN "TRASHED UP VAN AND TRAILER" THAT ARE DRAGGING THEIR GARBAGE UP THE ROAD AND DUMPING IT.

PAST BRASSFIELD, HALF MILE FROM BRASSFIELD, IS WHERE THEY ARE CAMPING. ANOTHER HALF MILE PAST THAT AND WEST ON A DIRT ROAD IS WHERE THEY ARE DUMPING. SO FAR HAVE DUMPED A BOAT AND TWO TRAILERS, AND ARE CURRENTLY HAULING A VAN TO DUMP IT NOW. RP HAS PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE RESPS AND THE VEHICLES DUMPED. RP'S FRIENDS CAN 940 WITH THE RESPONDING DEPUTY FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. RP IS IN 5A CURRENTLY BUT HIS FRIENDS ARE ON SCENE.



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Location 10535 HIGH VALLEY RD				Cross Streets BARTLETT SPRINGS RD/V			City CLEARLAKE OAKS			
Incident Type W911 - WIRELESS 911 HANG UP				Call Taker SMS2			Dispatcher			
Date 10/22/2021	Priority	Primary Unit	Beat 4B	Fire Zone R	Area 4B	Map 3	Source W	Channel		
Caller Name /UNKNOWN				Caller Address				Caller Phone		
Dispositions WIRELESS HANGUP					Weapon		Alm Level		Case Number	
Vehicles					Associated Incidents					
Incident Times Received 23:16:51 Created 23:18:16 Dispatched En Route On Scene Closed 23:18:59 Rcvd-Closed 02:08		Special Circumstances Persons Sex DOB Race DL								
Unit Times		Deputies	Dispatched	Enroute	On Scene	Clear	Disp-On Scene	Enrt-On Scene	On Scene-Clear	Disp-Clear

Incident Comments

OPEN LINE - SOUNDS LIKE TV IN BACKGROUND AND MALE AND FEMALE SPEAKING TO EACH OTHER -
SOUNDS CODE 4 / 41 METERS OF 39.05965800 -122.720890