

To Supervisors: Crandell, Rasmussen, Sabatier, Owen and Pyska

Re: Agenda Item 6.9: 11:00 A.M. - Consideration of Summary of Cannabis Policy Recommendations and Request for Board Direction

I am submitting comment to the Lake County Board of Supervisors respectfully requesting that active dialogue occur regarding the insufficient cannabis policy in Lake County.

I and my neighbors spoke against a proposed cannabis operation in our neighborhood at more than 5 Community Development Meetings. I came away from these experiences with serious concerns about the lack of regard for the public's safety, health and wellbeing. I have serious concerns over the CDD's lack of transparency and the disregard of repeated requests to address the community's concerns and grievances.

I have serious concerns over how our most vulnerable community members are being disregarded and de-valued in this process.

Please consider the following:

Because of on-going serious health concerns, I homeschool both of my children. My son is 12-years old and is a cancer survivor having undergone 4-years of intensive chemotherapy. He was diagnosed and began treatment, the beginning of his kindergarten year. He has on-going health issues that a grow operation less than 400-feet from our backyard, would impact significantly.

We ask consideration of the following with respect to homeschools:

- Please recognize within the county's policies and ordinances that homeschools are acknowledge by the State of California as a 'species of private school'.
- Recognizing homeschools within the county's policies and ordinances as a school would afford homeschooled children the same protections children that are able to attend in-person schools, public schools, day cares, etc, receive.
- Please consider inclusion of 1000-foot setbacks from homeschools with a current Private School Affidavit on file with the State of California.

Please also consider:

- Cannabis Permittees are NOT following the current ordinances or CEQA requirements.
 - Are not these environmental quality standards put in place to protect the environment? To protect the health and well-being of our community? Our children?
- CDD is not performing its duties specified in the ordinance.
- Conditions of approval for compliance and ensuring code violations are addressed is not occurring.
 - An ordinance is of little value if adherence is not enforced.
- Please address cannabis odor mitigation. How can my children focus and succeed academically with a nauseating, intrusive odor distracting them for extended periods? On a continual basis? What happens when my son becomes neurologically overstimulated and begins to shut down? What happens to all the successes and progress we've made?
- The quality of life of neighboring properties to proposed grows should not be negatively impacted.
- Recently, the grow operation in our neighborhood placed a thick, steel cable across the roadway where it veers off from our shared driveway near my house. This is where the shared road passes over a different neighbor's property, not the grow site. Multiple signs have been posted along the road warning trespassers of surveillance systems. All of this before the roadway even enters the grow site's property? Would you feel comfortable having this a few hundred feet from your children's play yard? School? Outdoor classroom? Why is this 'security' needed? What dangers are being brought near my home?

Please add protections for homeschools to the County's policies and ordinances. Please enforce those policies. Many children are succeeding in the calm environment a homeschool provides. Many of these children have already suffered greatly until finally landing in the right environment for them to succeed. Please don't take that away from them.

Thank you for your review and consideration,

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