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Hello Commissioners,

For your consideration, please see the comment below.

Sincerely,



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Hi Mr. Amelung;

I am working with approximately 40 property owners within the Burns Valley Watershed. We have been trying to keep a handle on cannabis applications in the Burns Valley Watershed which appears to involve the Ogulin Canyon Road area. Our main concern is water and the adverse impact that additional cannabis developments will have on the Watershed. Many of the property owners have had or are having water issues

While we realize there is a drought at this time, we feel that water availability in the BV Watershed is exacerbated by the continued development in the Ogulin Canyon area. There is a lack of updated information available. Our neighborhood is in the process of developing increased monitoring of the area in conjunction with the County and will be moving forward with more monitoring of wells by the County and the individual property owners. In the meantime, we feel that data available is insufficient and dated and ask that no further cannabis grow operations be permitted.

It appears that the property at 1850 Ogulin Canyon is at least partially within the Burns Valley Watershed. We were recently forced to appeal a UP granted by the Planning Commission over our objections at 2050/2122 Ogulin Canyon Road. Fortunately, our appeal was successful which will give us time to become more 'organized' should that property owner proceed with a future application and complete an EIR.

I will attend the public hearing tomorrow and apologize for this late input. One of the problems with our system is that only property owners within so many feet of the project are notified of the application while adversely affected property owners further away have to monitor coming Board of Supervisor or Planning Commission meetings and therefore, have a limited time for input. We feel there is a direct correlation of water issues south and west of the Ogulin Canyon area in Burns Valley and water usage 'upstream,' especially considering the Burns Valley Watershed is replenished with rain water each year. Hopefully I will be able to put together a short, concise presentation for consideration by the PC tomorrow and that consideration will be given so that we are not forced to file another appeal.

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