

From: Katie Barriga

Dear Mrs. Pyska,

I am writing in regards to the proposed commercial We Grow cannabis grow. I have been a resident of Hidden Valley Lake for 14 years now, my husband and I moved here to raise our family. We have enjoyed the life that we made for our two daughters, and have decided to build our dream home on our property off of Spruce Grove Road. We have saved for years to purchase our 8 and ½ acres and have finally saved enough to begin the building process. Our new home will share the property line with this proposed commercial grow, it will literally be in our backyard. Not only am I concerned about the noxious smells that will come from such a crop but I am also extremely concerned about the decrease of the property value of my soon to be built custom home. How can I be confident that there will be sufficient ground water with such a large production? My home and land value will be next to nothing without water. Drilling a well cost us approximately \$30,000 and now I am concerned about the water supply. Will I need to drill an additional well if my water supply is affected? My husband and I have spent years and years saving and working little by little to finally get to the place where we are able to build our dream home. With the increase in building costs that have nearly doubled in the last 5 years, I am already concerned about the resale value of my home not to mention the prospect of the addition of a cannabis grow a few hundred yards from my front door.

My family and I are asking you Mrs. Pyska to do the right thing. Please do not approve this project. As a local elementary school teacher I have seen how the demographics of our county have changed over the past 10 years and I have deep concern about what having this commercial grow would do to our community.

Thank you,

Katie Barriga
Concerned resident and Elementary School Teacher