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Planning & Building Services

Members of the Mendocino County Planning Commission:

We object to having our neighborhood rezoned to accommodate any marijuana factory. This will negatively affect hundreds of landowners — for the nebulous benefit of only a few.

We have worked for more than 40 years to improve our property. Beautiful custom-built house, nice garage and outbuildings, arid landscaping, fire prevention perimeters cleared, etc. Our intention to leave our property to our children has now been tainted with the specter of an industrial pot factory in the neighborhood. If this is allowed, the air will reek of pot, crime will be much more likely to move into the neighborhoods, the wells will fail, the pot factory will be able to use 25 acre feet of water annually. Will the pot factory owners pay for new wells when the neighborhood wells dry up?

Pot factories should be built in pre-existing commercially zoned areas, NOT in residentially zoned areas. The majority of residents will not put up with this shameless perversion of zoning regulations.



As far as the purported tax revenues that might come in to the county (marijuana prices are dropping), that will pale in comparison to how the property values will drop when a pot factory is built in the neighborhood.

Do any of you want a pot factory next door to your property?

This zoning change procedure should be cancelled, and we should NOT give in to the demands of a few who want to line their pockets by encroaching on our residential areas. It's not legal for people to live in an area that is zoned commercial, so how can it be legal for a commercial enterprise to be established in the midst of a long-established residential area? Permitting the existing cannabis businesses to continue operation in residential areas is not the correct next step.

Stop the overlay zone change.

Sincerely,

  
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