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**Subject:** Comment for North Fork Mattole Farms, LLC; APN 105-051-009

This is in regard to Public Comment for North Fork Mattole Farms, LLC APN 105-051-009.

I have a few questions about the above-mentioned zoning project.

- Will fencing be required? If not, then I suggest that be a requirement. The recent approval of the property at 29615 Mattole Road (APN 105-081-011) did not require a fence and the obnoxious in-your-face greenhouses are an eyesore. The county should be requiring this from all cannabis farms who are placing cannabis grows near a main road. A fencing requirement will not only maintain the beauty of Humboldt County but address a safety issue. It certainly is a safety concern to not have a fence as it would be logical to conclude that those types of grows would draw unwanted attention from nefarious individuals.
- The water tanks currently on-site do not appear to be catchment tanks. If this is accurate, then how do the growers plan on capturing the water? If the water tanks are unable to collect sufficient water, then what is the back-up plan? I think that needs to be spelled out in detail.
- How are all the employees going to be housed? Petrolia is notoriously short on housing, so there is nowhere for the employees to live. There is also not a sufficient work force to hire from locally. Since this grow won't be hiring most of their employees locally (due to a local worker's shortage) how will the seasonal employees be housed or transported daily to the grow site? With no housing availability in Petrolia, will employees be allowed to 'live' on the property? (in a tent, trailer, etc.)? Where would that living area be located within the grow? Will anyone be able to continue to live on the land (permanently or part-time)? How many people would be allowed to live there at one time?
- Will one portable toilet be sufficient to handle all the human waste? There are currently people living on the land with no water and sewage hook-up. How is that human waste currently being managed?
- Will this farm be required to cover up their greenhouses at night to prevent light emitting from them? Several other local cannabis farmers have been lighting up the skies in the middle of the night when they don't use their tarps to block the light. I think this should be prevented by requiring all permitted grows to have their greenhouses appropriately covered up at night so as to not emit light. What are the county regulations for light-dep and uncovered greenhouses at night?
- When is the barn required to be built and functioning? Will it be required before the grow can start? Or is there a grace period? And if there is a grace period, what if the barn is not erected in time to process the first cannabis run? What is the back-up plan?
- If the owners opt to sell the property, are they selling the permit as well? Will the new owners have to abide by 100% of the current permit, or can changes be made?
- How large will the solar system be? Have the owners applied with PG&E for power? When is PG&E power expected to be made available?

If possible, I would like to have a personal response to my inquiries, as I do not think I will be able to attend the Zoom meeting. Along with the questions above, who is the farm's consultant and/or environmentalist of record? Is it

possible to get a copy of their application, or at least the names of the individual(s) and/or company(s) that are involved (outside of the owners of the LLC)?

Thank you for putting all this together, as I'm sure this is a massive compilation!