

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
NUMBER:**

For Planning Commission Agenda of:

Consent Agenda Item	Item Number:
Continued Hearing Item	Item Number:
Public Hearing Item	Item Number:
Department Report	Item Number:
Old Business	Item Number:

Re:

Record Number:

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN):

Area:

Attached for the Planning Commission's record and review is the following supplementary information:

Executive Summary:

Terra Organica, LLC, seeks a Conditional Use Permit to allow the continued operation of an existing 14,400 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation operation in accordance with Humboldt County Code Section 314-55.4 of Chapter 4 of Division I of Title III, Commercial Medical Marijuana Land Use Ordinance (CMMLUO). The site is designated as Residential Agriculture (RA) in the Humboldt County 2017 General Plan Update and zoned Unclassified (U). Cultivation will take place on the southern portion of the parcel. The applicant anticipates there will be two cultivation cycles annually. Cannabis cultivation will occur in the following areas:

Cannabis Cultivation		
Structures	Dimensions	Total square feet
9 Greenhouses	10'x60' each	5,400 sf
4 Greenhouses	10'x50' each	2,000 sf
4 Greenhouses	8'x100' each	3,200 sf
2 Greenhouses	8'x60' each	960 sf
1 Greenhouse	5'x56'	280 sf
2 Propagation greenhouses	8'x80' each	1,280 sf
1 Propagation greenhouse	5'x32'	160 sf

Processing such as drying and curing will occur onsite within the proposed 1,080-square-foot barn. Trimming is proposed to occur offsite in a licensed third-party processing facility. The project will be operated by three family members. The applicant expects an additional two employees onsite during peak production. Cannabis cultivation activities onsite will utilize solar power and portable generators that have a decibel reading of 58dB's at full load, and will be used at locations no closer than 150 feet to the nearest property line.

Water Resources

Water for irrigation will be provided by an existing permitted groundwater well and a registered spring diversion. Proposed water storage is comprised of an existing 70,000-gallon tank, an existing 2,850 gallon tank, and 20 proposed 5,000 gallon tanks for a total water storage of 172,850 gallons. The applicant anticipates 75,300 gallons of water will be required for irrigation annually.

Tribal Consultation

The project is located in the Sinkyone Aboriginal Ancestral Territories. The project was referred to the Northwest Information Center and Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council. The applicant submitted a Cultural Resource Study (CRS) prepared by Arsenault & Associates dated September 2020. The CRS concluded there were no significant archaeological or historic period cultural resources that, for the purposes of CEQA (15064.5 (a)), would be considered an historical resource, exist in the limits of the project area. Additionally, tribal cultural resources were not present within the direct project area or within 600 feet of the project area. The project has an ongoing condition to include inadvertent archaeological discovery language.

Biological Resources

There are no mapped endangered or threatened species of concern located on the subject parcel. The nearest Northern Spotted Owl (NSO) activity center (HUM0992) is located approximately 1.5-miles west of the cultivation site and the nearest NSO observation was observed approximately 0.94-miles southwest from the cultivation site.

Seismic Safety

Although cultivation for the project is proposed on pre-existing graded flats, APN 216-074-022 contains mapped instances of historic landslides in and around the parcel ~~and the cultivation occurs on slopes in excess of 15%.~~ The parcel is entirely within a mapped "high instability" area per

the General Plan, as such County staff recommends a condition of approval for the preparation and submittal of an R-2 Soils Report and the implementation of all recommended measures in the report to be completed prior to commencing cultivation activities. While the site is a pre-existing cultivation operation, the Interim Permit has expired and the site has not been actively cultivated in 2021. Adherence to recommendations from an engineering geotechnical report (R-2) will ensure that the cultivation activities do not contribute to or exacerbate landslides or slope instability.

Access

The property is accessed via a private road from Miller Ranch Road. According to the Road Evaluation submitted December 18, 2020, the entire road segment is developed to the equivalent of a road category 4 standard. The project was referred to the Department of Public Works who commented the applicant shall ensure all driveways and private road intersections onto the County Road shall be maintained in accordance with County Code Section 341-1 (Sight Visibility Ordinance); and the applicant shall rock the surface of Miller Ranch Road at the intersection of Bell Springs Road for a minimum width of 20 feet and a length of 50 feet. These conditions shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Department of Public Works prior to commencing operations, final sign-off for a building permit, or Public Works approval for a business license.

Environmental review for this project was conducted and based on the results of that analysis, staff finds that all aspects of the project have been considered in a previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration that was adopted for the Commercial Medical Marijuana Land Use Ordinance and has prepared an addendum to this document for consideration by the Planning Commission (See Attachment 2 for more information).

- EVIDENCE:**
- a) Addendum Prepared for the proposed project.
 - b) The proposed project does not present substantial changes that would require major revisions to the previous MND. No new information of substantial importance that was not known and could not be known at the time was presented as described by §15162(c) of CEQA Guidelines.
 - c) The project is located in the Sinkyone Aboriginal Ancestral Territories. The project was referred to the Northwest Information Center and Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council. The applicant submitted a Cultural Resource Study (CRS) prepared by Arsenault & Associates dated September 2020. The CRS concluded there were no significant archaeological or historic period cultural resources that, for the purposes of CEQA (15064.5 (a)), would be considered an historical resource, exist in the limits of the project area. Additionally, tribal cultural resources were not present within the direct project area or within 600 feet of the project area. The project has an ongoing condition to include inadvertent archaeological discovery language.

FINDINGS FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

- 3. **FINDING** The proposed development is in conformance with the County General Plan, Open Space Plan, and the Open Space Action Program.
 - EVIDENCE** a) General agriculture is a use type permitted in the Residential Agriculture (RA) land use designation. The proposed cannabis cultivation, an agricultural product, is within land planned and zoned for agricultural purposes, consistent with the use of Open Space land for managed production of resources. The use of an agricultural parcel for commercial agriculture is consistent with the Open Space Plan and Open Space Action Program. Therefore, the project is consistent with and complimentary to the Open Space Plan and its Open Space Action Program.

- 4. **FINDING** The proposed development is consistent with the purposes of the existing U zone in which the site is located.
 - EVIDENCE** a) The Unclassified or U Zone is intended to be applied to areas of the County in which general agriculture residential uses are the desirable predominant uses.
 - b) All general agricultural uses are principally permitted in the U zone.
 - c) Humboldt County Code section 314-55.4.8.2.2 allows cultivation of up to 43,560 square feet of existing outdoor cannabis and up to 22,000 square feet of existing mixed-light cannabis on a parcel over 5 acres subject to approval of a Conditional Use Permit and a determination that the cultivation was in existence prior to January 1, 2016. The application for 14,400 square feet of outdoor cultivation on a 36.3-acre parcel is consistent with this and with the cultivation area verification prepared by the County.

- 5. **FINDING** The proposed development is consistent with the requirements of the CMMLUO Provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.
 - EVIDENCE** a) The CMMLUO allows existing cannabis cultivation to be permitted in

areas zoned U (HCC 314-55.4.8.2.2).

- b) The parcel was created in compliance with all applicable state and local subdivision regulations, as it was created in its current configuration per LLA-00-37/DS-00-14, recorded 11-8-2001.
- c) The project will obtain water from a diversionary water source and will follow forbearance requirements.
- d) A Road Evaluation Report was submitted by Dave Spinosa certifying that the road is equivalent to a road Category 4 standard. The Evaluation addressed both Miller Ranch Road and a private road leading to the project site. All road segments evaluated were found to be adequate for the proposed use.
- e) The slope of the pre-graded flats ~~land~~ where cannabis will be cultivated is less than 15%.
- f) The cultivation of cannabis will not result in the net conversion of timberland.
- g) The location of the cultivation complies with all setbacks required in Section 314-55.4.11.d. It is more than 30 from any property line and more than 600 feet from any school, church, public park or Tribal Cultural Resource.

6. FINDING

The cultivation of 14,400 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation and the conditions under which it may be operated or maintained will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity.

EVIDENCE

- a) The site is located on road that is developed to the equivalent of a road category 4 standard and will safely accommodate the amount of traffic generated by the proposed cannabis cultivation.
- b) The site is in a rural part of the County where the typical parcel size is over 40 acres and many of the land holdings are very large. The proposed cannabis will not be in a location where there is an established neighborhood or other sensitive receptor such as a school, church, park or other use which may be sensitive to cannabis cultivation. Approving cultivation on this site and the other sites which have been approved or are in the application process will not change the character of the area due to the large parcel sized in the area.
- c) The location of the cultivation complies with all setbacks required in Section 314-55.4.11.d. It is more than 30 from any property line and more than 600 feet from any school, church, public park or Tribal Cultural Resource.
- d) Water for irrigation will be provided by an existing permitted groundwater well and a registered spring diversion. Proposed water storage is comprised of an existing 70,000-gallon tank, an existing 2,850 gallon tank, and 20 proposed 5,000 gallon tanks for a total water storage of 172,850 gallons. The applicant anticipates 75,300 gallons of water will be required for irrigation annually.
- e) Provisions have been made in the applicant's proposal to protect water quality and thus runoff to adjacent property and infiltration of water to groundwater resources will not be affected.

7. FINDING

The proposed development does not reduce the residential density for any parcel below that utilized by the Department of Housing and Community Development in determining compliance with housing element law.

EVIDENCE

The parcel was not included in the housing inventory of Humboldt

County's 2019 Housing Element but does have the potential to support one housing unit. The approval of cannabis cultivation on this parcel will not conflict with the ability for a residence to be constructed on this parcel.

8. FINDING

The proposed project will not have an impact to sensitive habitat areas where policies are applied to protect fish and wildlife and facilitate the recovery of endangered species. (BR-G1, Threatened and Endangered Species, BR-G2, Sensitive and Critical Habitat, BR-G3, Benefits of Biological Resources).

EVIDENCE

There are no mapped endangered or threatened species of concern located on the subject parcel. The nearest Northern Spotted Owl (NSO) activity center (HUM0992) is located approximately 1.5-miles west of the cultivation site and the nearest NSO observation was observed approximately 0.94-miles southwest from the cultivation site.

9. Finding

Approval of this project is consistent with Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 18-43 which established a limit on the number of permits and acres which may be approved in each of the County's Planning Watersheds.

Evidence

The project site is located in the South Fork Eel Planning Watershed, which under Resolution 18-43 is limited to 730 permits and 251 acres of cultivation. With the approval of this project the total approved permits in this Planning Watershed would be 257 permits and the total approved acres would be 72.3 acres of cultivation.

DECISION

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the above findings and evidence, the Humboldt County Planning Commission does hereby:

- Adopt the findings set forth in this resolution; and
- Approve the Terra Organica, LLC, Conditional Use Permit, Record Number PLN-11173-CUP subject to the conditions in Attachment 1.

Adopted after review and consideration of all the evidence on November 4, 2021.

The motion was made by COMMISSIONER _____ and second by COMMISSIONER _____ and the following ROLL CALL vote:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS:

NOES: COMMISSIONERS:

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS:

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS:

DECISION:

I, John Ford, Secretary to the Planning Commission of the County of Humboldt, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct record of the action taken on the above-entitled matter by said Commission at a meeting held on the date noted above.

John H. Ford, Director,
Planning and Building Department

ATTACHMENT 1

RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IS CONDITIONED ON THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND REQUIREMENTS WHICH MUST BE SATISFIED BEFORE THE PROVISIONAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION PERMIT CAN BE FINALIZED.

A. General Conditions

1. The applicant is responsible for obtaining all necessary County and State permits and licenses, and for meeting all requirements set forth by other regulatory agencies.
2. The applicant is required to pay for permit processing on a time and material basis as set forth in the schedule of fees and charges as adopted by ordinance of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors. The Planning and Building Department will provide a bill to the applicant after the decision. Any and all outstanding planning fees to cover the processing of the application to decision by the Hearing Officer shall be paid to the Humboldt County Planning Division, 3015 "H" Street, Eureka.
3. The Applicant is responsible for costs for post-approval review for determining project conformance with conditions. A deposit is collected to cover this staff review. Permit conformance with conditions must be demonstrated prior to release of building permit or initiation of use and at time of annual inspection. A conformance review deposit as set forth in the schedule of fees and charges as adopted by ordinance of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors (currently \$750) shall be paid within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the permit or upon filing of the Compliance Agreement (where applicable), whichever occurs first. Payment shall be made to the Humboldt County Planning Division, 3015 "H" Street, Eureka.
4. A Notice of Determination (NOD) will be prepared and filed with the County Clerk for this project in accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines. The Department will file the NOD and will charge this cost to the project.
5. The applicant shall submit evidence of enrollment into the State Cannabis Cultivation Discharge program by submitting copies of all documents filed with the State Water Resources Control Board, including, but not limited to, a Notice of Applicability and a Site Management Plan. The applicant is required to adhere to and implement the requirements contained in the SWRCB's Cannabis Cultivation Policy, the General Order and the Notice of Applicability. A copy of the reporting form portion of the Mitigation and Reporting Program (MRP) shall be submitted annually to the Planning and Building Department concurrent with the submittal to the SWRCB. Should the site qualify for an exemption, the applicant shall provide proof of a SWRCB exemption status.

6. Within 60 days of the effective date of permit approval, the applicant shall execute a Compliance Agreement with the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department detailing all necessary permits and infrastructure improvements described under Conditions of Approval #7 through #14. The agreement shall provide a timeline for completing all outstanding items. All activities detailed under the agreement must be completed to the satisfaction of the Planning and Building Department before the permit may be finalized and no longer considered provisional.
7. The applicant shall secure permits for all structures related to the cannabis cultivation and other commercial cannabis activity, including but not limited to, existing and proposed greenhouses, water tanks over 5,000 gallons existing and proposed structures associated with drying and storage or any activity with a nexus to cannabis, and any noise containment structures as necessary. The plans submitted for building permit approval shall be consistent with the project description and the approved project site plan. A letter or similar communication from the Building Division verifying that all structures related to the cannabis cultivation are permitted will satisfy this condition.
8. The applicant shall ensure all driveways and private road intersections onto the County Road shall be maintained in accordance with County Code Section 341-1 (Sight Visibility Ordinance). Confirmation from the Department of Public Works that the work has been done will satisfy this condition.
9. The applicant shall rock the surface of Miller Ranch Road for a minimum width of 20 feet and a length of 50 feet at the intersection of Bell Springs Road. . An encroachment permit shall be obtained from the Department of Public Works Land Use Division prior to initiation of work within the public right-of-way. Confirmation from the Department of Public Works that the work has been done will satisfy this condition.
10. The applicant shall install a water monitoring device on each source - well and surface diversion if/when utilized - to monitor water used for cannabis irrigation Final signoff from the Planning Department will satisfy this condition.
11. The applicant shall ensure that all generators are housed in secondary containment structures.
12. The applicant shall provide the Planning Department of copy of the Site Management Plan developed for the parcel prepared pursuant to enrollment under the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Cannabis Cultivation Policy, General Order. The applicant shall provide substantial evidence that all corrective actions detailed within the Site Management Plan have been completed. Final signoff from the Planning Department will satisfy this condition.
13. The applicant shall be compliant with the County of Humboldt's Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) requirements regarding hazardous materials. A written verification of compliance shall be required before any provisional permits may be finalized. Ongoing proof of compliance with this condition shall be required at each annual inspection in order to keep the permit valid.
14. The applicant shall execute and file with the Planning Division the statement titled, "Notice and Acknowledgment regarding Agricultural Activities in Humboldt County," ("Right to Farm"

ordinance) as required by the HCC and available at the Planning Division.

15. Prior to processing activities occurring on the site, an acceptable site suitability report to establish potential for an onsite waste treatment system must be submitted to, and approved by, the Department of Environmental Health
16. Prior to cultivation, an R-2 Geologic Soils Report shall be prepared for the existing development on the subject parcel. The applicant shall adhere to any recommendations in the report. The applicant is also required to submit grading permits for all on-site grading done without the benefit of County review.

B. Ongoing Requirements/Development Restrictions Which Must be Satisfied for the Life of the Project:

1. The combination of background, generator and greenhouse fan or other operational equipment created noise must not result in decibel (dB) levels above 60dB at any property line. A building permit shall be obtained should any structures greater than 120 square feet be necessary for noise attenuation.
2. All artificial lighting shall be fully contained within structures such that no light escapes (e.g., through blackout curtains). Structures shall be enclosed between 30 minutes prior to sunset and 30 minutes after sunrise to prevent disruption to crepuscular wildlife. Security lighting shall be motion activated and comply with the International Dark-Sky Association standards and Fixture Seal of Approval Program; see: <https://www.darksky.org/our-work/lighting/lighting-for-citizens/lighting-basics/>. Standards include but are not limited to the following, 1) light shall be shielded and downward facing, 2) shall consist of Low Pressure Sodium (LPS) light or low spectrum Light Emitting Diodes (LED) with a color temperature of 3000 kelvins or less and 3) only placed where needed.
3. Should the Humboldt County Planning Division receive complaints that the lighting or noise is not complying with the standards listed above in items B.1. and B.2., within ten (10) working days of receiving written notification that a complaint has been filed, the applicant shall submit written verification that the lights' shielding and alignment, and noise levels have been repaired, inspected, and corrected as necessary.
4. Prohibition on use of synthetic netting. To minimize the risk of wildlife entrapment, Permittee shall not use any erosion control and/or cultivation materials that contain synthetic (e.g., plastic or nylon) netting, including photo- or biodegradable plastic netting. Geotextiles, fiber rolls, and other erosion control measures shall be made of loose-weave mesh, such as jute, hemp, coconut (coir) fiber, or other products without welded weaves.
5. An invoice, or equivalent documentation, shall be provided to DEH to confirm the continual use of portable toilets to serve the needs of cultivation staff prior to reissuance of annual permit.
6. All refuse shall be contained in wildlife proof storage containers, at all times, and disposed of at an authorized waste management facility.
7. Should any wildlife be encountered during work activities, the wildlife shall not be disturbed

and be allowed to leave the work site unharmed.

8. The use of anticoagulant rodenticide is prohibited.
9. The operator shall provide information to all employees about the potential health impacts of cannabis use on children. Information shall be provided by posting the brochures from the Department of Health and Human Services titled "Cannabis Palm Card" and "Cannabis Rack Card." This information shall also be provided to all employees as part of the employee orientation.
10. All components of project shall be developed, operated, and maintained in conformance with the Project Description, the approved Site Plan, the Plan of Operations, and these conditions of approval. Changes shall require modification of this permit except where consistent with Humboldt County Code Section 312-11.1, Minor Deviations to Approved Plot Plan. If offsite processing is chosen to be the preferred method of processing, this permit shall be modified to identify the offsite licensed facility.
11. Cannabis cultivation and other commercial cannabis activity shall be conducted in compliance with all laws and regulations as set forth in the CMMLUO and MAUCRSA, as applicable to the permit type.
12. If operating pursuant to a written approved compliance agreement, permittee shall abate or cure violations at the earliest feasible date, but in no event no more than two (2) years from the date of issuance of a provisional clearance or permit. Permittee shall provide plans for curing such violations to the Planning and Building Department within one (1) year of issuance of the provisional clearance or permit. If good faith effort toward compliance can be shown within the two years following the issuance of the provisional clearance or permit, the Department may, at the discretion of the Director, provide for extensions of the provisional permit to allow additional time to meet the outstanding requirements.
13. Possession of a current, valid required license, or licenses, issued by any agency of the State of California in accordance with the MAUCRSA, and regulations promulgated thereunder, as soon as such licenses become available.
14. Compliance with all statutes, regulations, and requirements of the California State Water Resources Control Board and the Division of Water Rights, at a minimum to include a statement of diversion of surface water from a stream, river, underground stream, or other watercourse required by Water Code Section 5101, or other applicable permit, license, or registration, as applicable.
15. Confinement of the area of cannabis cultivation, processing, manufacture, or distribution to the locations depicted on the approved site plan. The commercial cannabis activity shall be set back at least 30 feet from any property line, and 600 feet from any school, school bus stop, church or other place of religious worship, or tribal cultural resources, except where a reduction to this setback has been approved pursuant to Section 55.4.11(d).
16. Maintain enrollment Tier 1 or 2, certification with State Water Quality Control Board (SWQCB) Order WQ 2019-0001-DWQ, if applicable, or any substantially equivalent rule that may be subsequently adopted by the County of Humboldt or other responsible agency.
17. Comply with the terms of any applicable Lake and Stream Alteration (1600 or 1602) Permit obtained from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), if applicable.

18. Comply with the terms of a less-than-3-acre conversion exemption or timberland conversion permit, approved by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire), if applicable.
19. Consent to an annual on-site compliance inspection, with at least 24 hours prior notice, to be conducted by appropriate County officials during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays).
20. Refrain from the improper storage or use of any fuels, fertilizer, pesticide, fungicide, rodenticide, or herbicide.
21. Pay all applicable application, review for conformance with conditions and annual inspection fees.
22. Fuel shall be stored and handled in compliance with applicable state and local laws and regulations, including the County of Humboldt's Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) program, and in such a way that no spillage occurs.
23. The master log books maintained by the applicant to track production and sales shall be maintained for inspection by the County.
24. Pay all applicable taxes as required by the Humboldt County Commercial Marijuana Cultivation Tax Ordinance (Humboldt County Code Section 719-1 et seq.).
25. The applicant shall keep an invoice or equivalent documentation to confirm the continual use of portable toilets to serve the needs of cultivation staff prior to reissuance of an annual permit.

Performance Standards for Cultivation and Processing Operations

26. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26051.5(a)(8), an applicant seeking a cultivation license shall "provide a statement declaring the applicant is an 'agricultural employer,' as defined in the Alatorre-Zenovich-Dunlap-Berman Agricultural Labor Relations Act of 1975 (Part 3.5 commencing with Section 1140) of Division 2 of the Labor Code), to the extent not prohibited by law."
27. Cultivators shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing California Agricultural Employers, which may include federal and state wage and hour laws, Cal/OSHA, OSHA, the California Agricultural Labor Relations Act, and the Humboldt County Code (including the Building Code).
28. Cultivators engaged in processing shall comply with the following Processing Practices:
 - a. Processing operations must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition including all work surfaces and equipment.
 - b. Processing operations must implement protocols which prevent processing contamination and mold and mildew growth on cannabis.
 - c. Employees handling cannabis in processing operations must have access to facemasks and gloves in good operable condition as applicable to their job function.
 - d. Employees must wash hands sufficiently when handling cannabis or use gloves.
29. All persons hiring employees to engage in commercial cannabis cultivation and processing shall comply with the following Employee Safety Practices:

- a. Cultivation operations and processing operations must implement safety protocols and provide all employees with adequate safety training relevant to their specific job functions, which may include:
 - (1) Emergency action response planning as necessary;
 - (2) Employee accident reporting and investigation policies;
 - (3) Fire prevention;
 - (4) Hazard communication policies, including maintenance of material safety data sheets (MSDS);
 - (5) Materials handling policies;
 - (6) Job hazard analyses; and
 - (7) Personal protective equipment policies, including respiratory protection.
 - b. Cultivation operations and processing operations must visibly post and maintain an emergency contact list which includes at a minimum:
 - (1) Operation manager contacts;
 - (2) Emergency responder contacts; and
 - (3) Poison control contacts.
 - c. At all times, employees shall have access to safe drinking water and toilets and handwashing facilities that comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Plumbing facilities and water source must be capable of handling increased usage without adverse consequences to neighboring properties or the environment.
 - d. On site-housing provided to employees shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.
30. All cultivators shall comply with the approved processing plan as to the following:
- a. Processing practices
 - b. Location where processing will occur
 - c. Number of employees, if any
 - d. Employee Safety Practices
 - e. Toilet and handwashing facilities
 - f. Plumbing and/or septic system and whether or not the system is capable of handling increased usage
 - g. Drinking water for employees
 - h. Plan to minimize impact from increased road use resulting from processing
 - i. On-site housing, if any
31. Term of Commercial Cannabis Activity Conditional Use Permit. Any Commercial Cannabis Cultivation CUP issued pursuant to the CMMLUO shall expire one (1) year after date of issuance, and on the anniversary date of such issuance each year thereafter, unless an annual compliance inspection has been conducted and the permittees and the permitted site have been found to comply with all conditions of approval.
32. If the inspector or other County official determines that the permittees or site do not comply with the conditions of approval, the inspector shall serve the permit holder with a written statement identifying the items not in compliance, and the action that the permit holder may take to cure the noncompliance, or file an appeal within ten (10) days of the date that the written statement is delivered to the permit holder. Personal delivery or mailing the written statement to the mailing address listed on the application by regular mail, plus three (3) days after date of mailing, shall constitute delivery. The permit holder may request a reinspection to determine whether or not the permit holder has cured all issues of noncompliance. Failure to request reinspection or to cure any items of noncompliance shall terminate the Special Permit, immediately upon the expiration of any appeal period, or final determination of the appeal if an appeal has been timely filed pursuant to Section 55.4.13.

33. Permit Renewals to Comply with Updated Laws and Regulations. Permit renewal is subject to the laws and regulations effective at the time of renewal, which may be substantially different than the regulations currently in place and may require the submittal of additional information to ensure that new standards are met.
34. Acknowledgements to Remain in Full Force and Effect. Permittee acknowledges that the County reserves the right to reduce the size of the area allowed for cultivation under any clearance or permit issued in accordance with this section in the event that environmental conditions, such as a sustained drought or low flows in the watershed in which the cultivation area is located, will not support diversions for irrigation.
35. Transfers. Transfer of any leases or permits approved by this project is subject to the review and approval of the Planning Director for conformance with CMMLUO eligibility requirements and agreement to permit terms and acknowledgments. The fee for required permit transfer review shall accompany the request. The request shall include the following information:
 - a. Identifying information for the new owner(s) and management as required in an initial permit application;
 - b. A written acknowledgment by the new owner in accordance as required for the initial permit application;
 - c. The specific date on which the transfer is to occur;
 - d. Acknowledgement of full responsibility for complying with the existing permit; and
 - e. Execution of an Affidavit of Non-diversion of Medical Cannabis.
36. Inspections. The permit holder and subject property owner are to permit the County or representative(s) or designee(s) to make inspections at any reasonable time deemed necessary to assure that the activities being performed under the authority of this permit are in accordance with the terms and conditions prescribed herein.

Informational Notes:

1. Pursuant to Section 314-55.4.11 (a) of the CMMLUO, if upon inspection for the initial application, violations of any building or other health, safety, or other state or county statute, ordinance, or regulation are discovered, the Planning and Building Department may issue a provisional clearance or permit with a written approved Compliance Agreement. By signing the agreement, the permittee agrees to abate or cure the violations at the earliest opportunity but in no event more than two (2) years after the date of issuance of the provisional clearance or permit. Plans for curing the violations shall be submitted to the Planning and Building Department by the permittee within one (1) year of the issuance of the provisional certificate or permit. The terms of the compliance agreement may be appealed pursuant to Section 314-55.4.13 of the CMMLUO.
2. This provisional permit approval shall expire and become null and void at the expiration of one (1) year after all appeal periods have lapsed (see "Effective Date"), except where the Compliance Agreement per Condition of Approval #6 has been executed and the corrective actions pursuant to the agreement are being undertaken. Once building permits have been secured and/or the use initiated pursuant to the terms of the agreement, the use is subject to the Permit Duration and Renewal provisions set forth in the Ongoing Requirements/Development Restrictions, above.
3. If cultural resources are encountered during construction activities, the contractor on-site shall cease all work in the immediate area and within a 50-foot buffer of the discovery location. A

qualified archaeologist and the appropriate Tribal Historic Preservation Officer(s) are to be contacted to evaluate the discovery and, in consultation with the applicant and the lead agency, develop a treatment plan in any instance where significant impacts cannot be avoided.

Prehistoric materials may include obsidian or chert flakes, tools, locally darkened midden soils, groundstone artifacts, shellfish or faunal remains, and human burials. If human remains are found, California Health and Safety Code 7050.5 requires that the County Coroner be contacted immediately at 707-445-7242. If the Coroner determines the remains to be Native American, the Native American Heritage Commission will then be contacted by the Coroner to determine appropriate treatment of the remains pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 5097.98. Violators shall be prosecuted in accordance with PRC Section 5097.99.

4. The applicant shall be aware that the Federal Government considers the cultivation of cannabis to be an illegal activity. This project is accessed by using roads that pass-through lands owned by the Federal Government. The Federal Government may not allow the applicant to use these roads to transport cannabis. In such case, Humboldt County will not provide relief to the applicant. Approval of this permit does not authorize transportation of cannabis across Federal lands.