

RE: Cisco Farm PLN-2021-17384 CUP

Roxy Kennedy <hnydew@gmail.com>

Sun 12/4/2022 8:21 PM

To: Johnston, Desmond <djohnston@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Holtermann, Michael <mholttermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>

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Dear Mr. Johnson, Mr. Holterman, and Mr. Ford,

We are writing to you today in regard to the proposed industrial farm on Chambers Road. (Cisco Farm PLAN-2021-17384 CUP).

We have read the many letters already submitted and are coming to the discussion late. However we feel we have valid input to the discussion, so thank you for the opportunity.

All the concerns we saw in the varied and thoughtful letters opposing this development expressed the same concerns we in the Hindley Ranch Road neighborhood of Honeydew have lived. Noise, smell, traffic, road safety, road condition and maintenance, fire dangers, water and air pollution, underpaid workers, inadequate and sanitary worker housing and working conditions, increased crime, have all come to pass at this end of the valley.

We are baffled as to why the Planning Department as well as neighbors wishing to develop on such a scale do not talk with the neighbors who their decisions will so hugely impact.

Most people out here are NOT opposed to agriculture, or property owners running their property the way they want. The problem comes when things are so enormous they literally are spilling out on everyone else's properties, lives, livelihood, health, land values, the environment and peace of mind. It has been said before, and I will say it again, this is why our tax dollars pay for a Planning Department, to avoid this type of overstepping. And yet most only hear about it well after it is years in motion, if at all.

Please listen to the neighbors and seriously consider limiting or denying this project.

Sincerely,

Roxy Kennedy and Jim Bowdoin
Hindley Ranch Road, Honeydew

FW: Please deny the Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

Johnston, Desmond <djohnston@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Mon 12/5/2022 9:41 AM

To: Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Cc: Johnson, Cliff <CJohnson@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Message below -

Regards,



Desmond Johnston, Senior Planner

[Planning and Building Department](#)

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From: lauracooskey@frontiernet.net <lauracooskey@frontiernet.net>

Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 9:36 AM

To: Johnston, Desmond <djohnston@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Subject: Fw: Please deny the Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

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Dear Mr. Desmond Johnston and the Humboldt County Planning and Building Dept.
re: Item # PLN 2021-17384 (Cisco Farmers, Inc. expansion on Chambers Rd., Petrolia)--
Appeal

Please add letter forwarded below, from Sonny Anderson (dobsonimages7@gmail.com) to the bundle of communications from concerned neighbors.

Thank you,

~Laura Cooskey

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: dobsonimages <dobsonimages7@gmail.com>

To: Laura Cooskey <lauracooskey@frontiernet.net>

Sent: Monday, December 5, 2022 at 03:05:18 AM PST

Subject: Please deny the Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

Dear Supervisors,

I just received notice of an appeal requesting to significantly scale back an industrial grow on the old Walker Ranch located at the end of Chambers road in Petrolia [PLN 2021-17384].

Sickening to see that the county would grant approval for such a large scale operation. You have already destroyed the community of Honeydew with the large industrial grows ,now you are on the path to do the same in Petrolia.

The county needs to stop permitting any grows of more than one acre in the future. We need to use our AG lands more productively then covering our rural landscapes with more greenhouses for a dying industry.

Regards

Sonny Anderson

Resident and landowner in Petrolia since 1973

FW: Appeal to deny Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

McClenagan, Laura <lmcclenagan2@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Thu 12/8/2022 10:53 AM

To: Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Cc: Lippre, Suzanne <SLippre@co.humboldt.ca.us>

FYI



Laura McClenagan

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From: Hayes, Kathy <KHayes@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Sent: Tuesday, December 06, 2022 8:27 AM

To: Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Lippre, Suzanne <SLippre@co.humboldt.ca.us>;

McClenagan, Laura <lmcclenagan2@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Subject: FW: Appeal to deny Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

FYI

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

County of Humboldt

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From: Susan Radebaugh <clearwaterherbals@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 5, 2022 5:02 PM

To: COB <COB@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Bohn, Rex <RBohn@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Bushnell, Michelle

<mbushnell@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Wilson, Mike <Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Bass, Virginia

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Subject: Appeal to deny Cisco Petrolia cannabis grow

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To Humboldt County Board of Supervisors,

re: Item # PLN 2021-17384 (Cisco Farmers, Inc. expansion on Chambers Rd., Petrolia)

I urge you to deny large scale cannabis operations such as this in the Mattole Valley. The planned industrial grow on Chambers Road in Petrolia is yet another assault on the peace and beauty of this valley we call home. The detrimental impact on our neighborhoods and watershed by these mega grows is enormous.

The marring of the beautiful landscapes with multiple huge greenhouses and the sound of generators and fans, as well as the numerous lights, and vast amounts of water needed to run them has a negative impact on humans and wildlife alike.

This is a critical time we are in when we all need to decrease our exploitation and pollution of Earth's natural resources for profit and consumption and choose more harmonious ways of living that are aligned with the well being of all life.

The ultimate cost to all of us in permitting such ventures is too great!

Sincerely,

Susan Radebaugh

Letter of Support for the Cisco Farms application in Petrolia PLN-2021-17384

Jack Brown <jackbrown@gmail.com>

Tue 12/6/2022 10:45 AM

To: Bohn, Rex <RBohn@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Bushnell, Michelle <mbushnell@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Wilson, Mike <Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Bass, Virginia <VBass@co.humboldt.ca.us>; Madrone, Steve <smadrone@co.humboldt.ca.us>; **COB <COB@co.humboldt.ca.us>**

Cc: Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

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Hello Folks-

I am a landowner in Petrolia, with ranch property directly adjoining Francisco (Cisco) Benneman's ranch which is the subject of PLN-2021-17384.

Cisco has been a Petrolia resident for decades, and has always been an upstanding and positive member of the community, as well as a family man and an excellent employer to many young people over the years.

He is, as well, the kind of neighbor we all like to have, one who organizes necessary fencing work catches cows when they break out, jumps in his truck when there's a fire or other trouble, and is ready to loan out heavy equipment when needed.

There has been in Petrolia in recent years, a vocal minority of recent retirees from the Bay Area and elsewhere who seem to want our valley to become a retirement community rather than a vibrant place which can support families and bring in new young people from all over the country and the world. These are the people who are opposing Cisco's application, and while their voices should be heard, I believe they do not understand how important the cannabis economy, and farms like Cisco's, are to our collective well being.

Large employers who pay good wages are difficult to find in rural areas, and many of us are grateful that Petrolia and the Mattole Valley are still able to provide the direct and indirect jobs that keep our valley a wonderful place to live.

Please allow this project to go forward.

Jack Brown
Petrolia

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Support letter for county reference PLN-2021-17384.

Craig Maclay <craigmaclay@gmail.com>

Wed 11/16/2022 1:37 PM

To: Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

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Hi,

My name is Craig Maclay and I am writing in support of the cannabis project PLN-2021-17384.

I would like to say that the owner of the project, Karl Benneman, was born and raised in Petrolia and had the interests of the local people and the environment in mind. The area to be grown is out of sight of most neighbors and far enough away to be out of earshot also.

I own land in Petrolia within a mile of the proposed project and am 100% in support of the project. There are multiple large grows within sight of the road in Petrolia. This project is not in sight at all and my opinion is that it should be approved by the county and all neighbors nearby.

Thanks,

Craig Maclay