

Friday, August 14, 2020

From Cara Cordoni, Asherah Consulting
on behalf of
Rocci Costa, Roc Squatch Farms

- PLN-2020-16376
- APN 516-211-025,
- Permit PLN-12176-CUP
- APPS 12176

To the Planning Department, Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors and
Concerned Neighbors,

Attached are two documents to **clarify** the Appeal submitted on Thursday, March 19,
2020, appealing the decision of the Planning Commission on March 5, 2020.

We understand the importance of some of our Planning Commission and neighbors
concerns about our proposed project and we want to assure everyone that the
problematic history of the property does not reflect the future. *The property owner,
Rodney Costa, will not be involved in property management, nor will he be physically
present on the property. Lastly, he has no involvement with the running of Roc Squatch
Farms.* (see **Exhibit I - Rodney Costa Landowner Letter**).

We've also included a letter from our road engineers at Green Road Consulting advising
us to direct the commission's attention towards the second, updated report as many of
the specific issues brought up by neighbors in the last hearing refer to the earlier,
inaccurate report. (see **Exhibit II - Letter from Green Road Consulting Engineer**)

In addition, Rocci and his son intend on participating in Humboldt County's Cannabis
Appellations project. Appellations of origin for agricultural products protects intellectual
property such as traditional farming practices while promoting environmentally ethical
farming standards. By providing a scientifically-derived environmental, geographic and
cultural baseline for the delineation of Humboldt's Cannabis Appellations, this project will
support local economic stimulation through increased value of locally produced
cannabis.

We have every intention of helping to maintain the special character of the Warren
Creek area and watershed and contribute to its health and sustainability. We hope that

you can understand the importance of thoughtful reflection on the positive value this project will have for our local community and County.

Attachments:

EXHIBIT I Rodney Costa Landowner Letter

EXHIBIT II Letter from Green Road Consulting Engineer

Thank you for your attention,
Cara Cordoni

Exhibit I - See separate attached document

Exhibit II



Steven Breitenstein

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to me ↵

Cara,

I certainly agree that there is a certain degree of bias involved in the handling of this project. It is clear to me that many members of this neighborhood do not want this cannabis farm in their midst. I do not believe that the real reason for this is related to the traffic issue, and I doubt that any reports will convince them otherwise. My one comment is that the attention of the commission should be directed to the second, updated report only, as many of the specific issues brought up in the last hearing refer to the earlier, inaccurate report. This report speaks for itself and I do not believe I can improve upon it at this time.

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