

CULTIVATION and OPERATIONS PLAN
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AV is updating the Operations Plan PHASE 1 to utilize the 18,600 sq.ft. as follows:

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Description of Water Source, Storage, Irrigation Plan, and Projected Water Usage

WATER SOURCE AND STORAGE

The source of irrigation water for the project is an on-stream reservoir. The reservoir's capacity is approximately 700,000 gallons. AV will update this cultivation operations plan with respect to anticipated yearly catchment once more information becomes available. Historically, including the most recent drought years, the amount of surface water diverted has been sufficient to meet the irrigation needs. AV has filed a Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for this on-stream reservoir. AV has eleven (11) hard storage tanks with storage capacity of 22,950 gallons. See Site Plan for location and sizes. Total water storage capacity including the reservoir and the hard tanks will be approximately 722,950 gallons. AV will add rain catchment and reservoirs to increase storage.

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AV does utilize gasoline and diesel generators for cultivation activities. See generator usage details in Cultivation Activities section below. Currently, AV stores all petroleum in a 1000-gallon containment with 100% overflow containment, capable of holding four (4) 55-gallon containers for gasoline. Five (5) 5-gallon gasoline cans are also onsite in the existing processing facility near the cultivation site. Gas cans are stored in secondary containment. AV has a spill-proof kit on site to prevent seepage into groundwater or transport to surface water.

AV is proposing to add a two (1) 1,000-gallon diesel fuel storage tanks for future use near the existing processing facility. AV currently has a 200-gallon propane tank which services the on-site cabin. AV is proposing to build a “fuel depot” to house the gasoline and diesel storage. This fuel depot will be located next to the road for easy access for delivery and gravity flow to the generators. See Site Plan for location. This would utilize one roof to cover all three of the containment reservoirs, 1000-gallon for gasoline, and 2 – 1,100-gallon containment reservoir for each 1,000-gallon tank. This would house all fuel storage for the project. This structure would also utilize seasonal side walls during winter months.

Generators are in a cargo container (CC#5), as a dedicated generator area. Generators are equipped with secondary containment and spill-prevention kits are onsite. AV will muffle generator noise to less than 50 decibels, by housing within the container, to prevent disturbance of surrounding habitat.

Description of Cultivation Activities (Immature, Outdoor, Mixed-light)

CULTIVATION ACTIVITIES

AV is proposing to permit an existing, Outdoor cultivation site with cultivation area of 13,179 sq. ft. and an existing, Mixed-light cultivation site with a cultivation area of 5,431 sq. ft. using light deprivation with some artificial lighting techniques. AV will be using stored water from the reservoir to irrigate all cannabis. AV will be cultivating in raised beds and grow pots to prevent excess irrigation runoff and promote soil moisture retention. Cover crops will be planted at the end of the year to promote soil regeneration.

All power is supplied by generator power. The generators are housed inside a shipping container (CC#5). They are equipped secondary containment to prevent seepage of fuels to groundwater or surface water. AV will sufficiently muffle sound from generators to less than 50 decibels to protect surrounding habitat.

AV anticipates hiring three (3) employees for cultivation. AV does not anticipate increase road activity. Employees carpool to and from the site each day. AV's parcel is located on a private road, and a Road Evaluation Report was conducted. Peak road usage will be between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Parking will be located next to the Immature Plant Area.

AV will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing California agricultural employers. AV will follow all performance standards outlined in Humboldt County's Commercial Cannabis Land Use Ordinance ("CCLUO") with respect to cultivation activities, including developing employee safety protocols which include: 1) an emergency action response plan and spill prevention protocols; 2) employee accident reporting and investigation policies; 3) fire prevention policies; 4) maintenance of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS); 5) materials handling policies; 6) job hazard analyses; and 7) personal protective equipment policies.

AV will ensure that all safety equipment is in good and operable condition, and provide employees with training on the proper use of safety equipment. AV will post and maintain an emergency contact list which includes: 1) operation manager contacts; 2) emergency responder contacts; and 3) poison control contacts. All cultivation activities will be charted and calendared and visibly posted in the cultivation facilities.

Immature –

AV cultivates their own stock plants in areas dedicated for immature plants only. Currently, propagation occurs in the Processing Facility and in one of the cargo containers CC#3. AV is proposing to relocate all propagation to a proposed area. Cumulatively, this totals 1,850 sqft. which is less than 10% of the approved cultivation areas (18,600sq.ft.) These plants will be transferred to the cultivation areas when appropriate. No mature or flowering plants will be cultivated in this area. See Site Plan for location.

Outdoor –

AV will cultivate 13,179 sq.ft. of outdoor cultivation in three (3) cultivation areas (CA#2-3). These areas (Full Term Only) will be harvested only once per year. See table below showing schedule of activities. See Site Plan for locations.

Mixed Light -

AV will cultivate Six (6) greenhouses totaling 5,431 sq ft., One (1) is 78’ x 14.5’, two (2) are 83’x 20’, one (1) 40’ x 9.8’, one (1) 35’ x 9.8’, one (1) 24’ x 9.8’ (Site # 1-2). AV is anticipating four (4) harvest cycles of Mixed-light cultivation. The lighting source for the Mixed-light facilities will comply with the International Dark Sky Association’s standards as outlined in the county’s ordinance. AV will cover and sufficiently shield greenhouses so that artificial-light will not escape to neighboring parcels. See table below showing schedule of activities. See Site Plan for locations.

Schedule of Activities During Each Month of the Growing and Harvesting Season

CA#	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F
2	F	F & H	F	F	F&H	F	F	F &H	F	F & H	F	F
3	-	-	-	-	V	V	V	F	F	F & H	-	-

V = Vegetative F = Flowering H = Harvest

CA #1 will have 4 harvests per year with 8 or 10-week flowering cycles (mixed-light)

CA #2 & #3 will harvest (outdoor)

PROCESSING PLAN AND ACTIVITIES PLAN

AV is proposing to utilize multiple structures on the parcel to accommodate all Processing activities, these include a cabin, processing facility and five (5) cargo containers.

The existing Cabin would meet commercial building code standards, including an ADA parking spot. It will be equipped with an ADA compliant restroom and handwashing facilities to support employee or visitor use, as well as supplies for cleanliness and sanitation. Hand sanitizing liquid, gloves, potable water, and face masks shall be provided to employees. Potable water will be supplied from groundwater source located on the property and stored in a 2,500-gallon water tank. The Cabin will also house all packaging and labeling activities as well as any administrative tasks. Some hand trimming will also take place within the cabin.

The existing Processing facility is a 2-story structure. Upstairs is exclusively secured



storage of finished goods. Downstairs will also have some finished goods, as well as an indoor propagation area.

The five (5) cargo containers are used as follows:

CC#1 Storage of nutrients/fertilizers/pesticides

CC#2 General Storage

CC#3 Immature plant propagation

CC#4 Drying/curing area.

CC#5 Generator area

Drying and processing rooms will be sanitized after every use using organic cleaning products to prevent mold growth and other contaminants. A daily cleaning routine for all work rooms and surface areas will be prepared and carried out by employees. Employees will be required to wash their hands prior to handling the product and after using the restroom. Sanitary equipment and products such as hand sanitizing liquids, paper towels, gloves, water and face masks will be provided and kept in good and operable condition. Emergency contact numbers will be posted in working areas, including the local poison control center.

AV will implement the following safety practices as a part of the processing plan: 1) functioning safety equipment, including masks, gloves, and respiratory equipment will be provided to employees in good and operable condition; 2) sanitized protective overcoats will be provided to prevent cross contamination and skin irritation; 3) poison control and emergency services contacts will be posted in processing areas; 4) safety signage will be posted and spillage prevention policies will be developed; 5) safety training on proper use of trimming equipment; and 6) development and implementation of a workplace health and safety survey.

PROCESSING ACTIVITIES

During harvest months, the climate is warm and dry. Therefore, harvested plants can be air-dried. Humidity and temperature will be monitored to ensure proper conditions for curing. Cut flowers will be de-leafed and inspected for mold and then brought to the drying container (CC#4). Flowers will remain on-stalk and hung on screen racks for approximately 4-7 days. The dry room is thermostatically controlled to regulate temperature and humidity levels. AV will use a moisture meter to determine dryness. If the moisture content is below 15%, mold development is prevented. Upon reaching sufficiently safe moisture content, flowers will be bucked, placed into sealed plastic bins, and moved into the curing area. The cure area is also thermostatically controlled to regulate temperature and humidity and to ensure an even, slow cure. Bins will be regularly opened and closed to enhance flavor and aroma and to ensure a fully dried product for packaging and storage.

Flowers will then be bagged, barreled, and moved to secured storage with in the processing facility or the cabin where they will remain until ready to be trimmed. Flowers will be hand-trimmed and finished. They will be separated and packaged in one-pound increments, bagged, sealed, and moved back into secured storage for transport. Biomass which doesn't not get packaged as flower will be gathered for secondary manufacturing markets.

SECURITY FEATURES

AV has implemented security measures to safeguard the product and prevent nuisance from occurring on the property. Security gates are installed along all main roads. AV has installed multiple security cameras around the exterior of the processing facility, the cultivation sites, and at the entrances to the parcel.

To ensure the non-diversion of product, AV will enroll in a track and trace program upon the implementation of those programs at the local and state level.

SOIL AMENDMENTS**

Bone Meal**

Chicken Guano**

Perlite**

Oyster Shell**

Dr. Earth All Purpose**

Bloom and Bud**

**Products are not stored on-site; purchased on an as-needed basis and introduced into soil immediately.

See attached Safety Data Sheets for pesticides:

Neem Oil

Trifecta

Vermafire

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Description of Cultivation Activities (Immature, Outdoor, Mixed-light)

CULTIVATION ACTIVITIES

AV is proposing to permit an existing, Outdoor cultivation site with cultivation area of 0,024 sq. ft. and an existing, Mixed-light cultivation site with a cultivation area of 9,576 sq. ft. using light deprivation with some artificial lighting techniques. AV will be using stored water from the reservoir to irrigate all cannabis. AV will be cultivating in raised beds to prevent excess irrigation runoff and promote soil moisture retention. Cover crops will be planted at the end of the year to promote soil regeneration.

All power is supplied by generator power. The generators are housed inside a shipping container (CC#5). They are equipped secondary containment to prevent seepage of fuels to groundwater or surface water. AV will sufficiently muffle sound from generators to less than 50 decibels to protect surrounding habitat.

AV anticipates hiring three (3) employees for cultivation. AV does not anticipate increase road activity. Employees carpool to and from the site each day. AV's parcel is located on a private road, and a Road Evaluation Report was conducted. Peak road usage will be between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Parking will be located next to the Immature Plant Area.

AV will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing California agricultural employers. AV will follow all performance standards outlined in Humboldt County's Commercial Cannabis Land Use Ordinance ("CCLUO") with respect to cultivation activities, including developing employee safety protocols which include: 1) an emergency action response plan and spill prevention protocols; 2) employee accident reporting and investigation policies; 3) fire prevention policies; 4) maintenance of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS); 5) materials handling policies; 6) job hazard analyses; and 7) personal protective equipment policies.

AV will ensure that all safety equipment is in good and operable condition, and provide employees with training on the proper use of safety equipment. AV will post and maintain an emergency contact list which includes: 1) operation manager contacts; 2) emergency responder contacts; and 3) poison control contacts. All cultivation activities will be charted and calendared and visibly posted in the cultivation facilities.

Immature –

AV cultivates their own stock plants in areas dedicated for immature plants only. Currently, propagation occurs in the Processing Facility and in one (1) of the cargo containers (CC#3). AV is proposing to relocate all propagation to a proposed area. Cumulatively, this totals 1,800 sqft. which is less than 10% of the approved cultivation areas (18,600sq.ft.) These plants will be transferred to the cultivation areas when appropriate. No mature or flowering plants will be cultivated in this area. See Site Plan for location.

Outdoor –

AV will cultivate 9,024 sq.ft. of outdoor cultivation in two (2) cultivation areas (CA#2-3). These areas will only be harvested once a year. See table below showing schedule of activities. See Site Plan for locations.

Mixed Light -

AV will cultivate Five (5) greenhouses totaling 9,576 sq.ft., one (1) is 18’ x 72’, three (3) are 30’x72’ and one (1) is 30’x60’ (CA#1). AV is anticipating four (4) harvest cycles of Mixed-light cultivation. The lighting source for the Mixed-light facilities will comply with the International Dark Sky Association’s standards as outlined in the county’s ordinance. AV will cover and sufficiently shield greenhouses so that artificial-light will not escape to neighboring parcels. See table below showing schedule of activities. See Site Plan for locations.

Schedule of Activities During Each Month of the Growing and Harvesting Season

CA#	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F	F	F & H	F
2	-	-	-	-	V	V	V	F	F	F & H	-	-
3	-	-	-	-	V	V	V	F	F	F & H	-	-

V = Vegetative F = Flowering H = Harvest

CA #1 will have 4 harvests per year with 8 or 10-week flowering cycles (mixed-light)

CA #2 & #3 will have 1 harvest (outdoor)

PROCESSING PLAN AND ACTIVITIES PLAN

AV is proposing to utilize multiple structures on the parcel to accommodate all Processing activities, these include a cabin, processing facility and five (5) cargo containers.

The existing Cabin would meet commercial building code standards, including an ADA parking spot. It will be equipped with an ADA compliant restroom and handwashing facilities to support employee or visitor use, as well as supplies for cleanliness and sanitation. Hand sanitizing liquid, gloves, potable water, and face masks shall be provided to employees. Potable water will be supplied from groundwater source located on the property and stored in a 2,500-gallon water tank. The Cabin will also house all packaging and labeling activities as well as any administrative tasks. Some hand trimming will also take place within the cabin.

The existing Processing facility is a 2-story structure. Upstairs is exclusively secured



storage of finished goods. Downstairs will also have some finished goods, as well as an indoor propagation area.

The five (5) cargo containers are used as follows:

CC#1 Storage of nutrients/fertilizers/pesticides

CC#2 General Storage

CC#3 Immature plant propagation

CC#4 Drying/curing area.

CC#5 Generator area

Drying and processing rooms will be sanitized after every use using organic cleaning products to prevent mold growth and other contaminants. A daily cleaning routine for all work rooms and surface areas will be prepared and carried out by employees. Employees will be required to wash their hands prior to handling the product and after using the restroom. Sanitary equipment and products such as hand sanitizing liquids, paper towels, gloves, water and face masks will be provided and kept in good and operable condition. Emergency contact numbers will be posted in working areas, including the local poison control center.

AV will implement the following safety practices as a part of the processing plan: 1) functioning safety equipment, including masks, gloves, and respiratory equipment will be provided to employees in good and operable condition; 2) sanitized protective overcoats will be provided to prevent cross contamination and skin irritation; 3) poison control and emergency services contacts will be posted in processing areas; 4) safety signage will be posted and spillage prevention policies will be developed; 5) safety training on proper use of trimming equipment; and 6) development and implementation of a workplace health and safety survey.

PROCESSING ACTIVITIES

During harvest months, the climate is warm and dry. Therefore, harvested plants can be air-dried. Humidity and temperature will be monitored to ensure proper conditions for curing. Cut flowers will be de-leafed and inspected for mold and then brought to the drying container (CC#4). Flowers will remain on-stalk and hung on screen racks for approximately 4-7 days. The dry room is thermostatically controlled to regulate temperature and humidity levels. AV will use a moisture meter to determine dryness. If the moisture content is below 15%, mold development is prevented. Upon reaching sufficiently safe moisture content, flowers will be bucked, placed into sealed plastic bins, and moved into the curing area. The cure area is also thermostatically controlled to regulate temperature and humidity and to ensure an even, slow cure. Bins will be regularly opened and closed to enhance flavor and aroma and to ensure a fully dried product for packaging and storage.

Flowers will then be bagged, barreled, and moved to secured storage with in the processing facility or the cabin where they will remain until ready to be trimmed. Flowers will be hand-trimmed and finished. They will be separated and packaged in one-pound increments, bagged, sealed, and moved back into secured storage for transport. Biomass which doesn't not get packaged as flower will be gathered for secondary manufacturing markets.

SECURITY FEATURES

AV has implemented security measures to safeguard the product and prevent nuisance from occurring on the property. Security gates are installed along all main roads. AV has installed multiple security cameras around the exterior of the processing facility, the cultivation sites, and at the entrances to the parcel.

To ensure the non-diversion of product, AV will enroll in a track and trace program upon the implementation of those programs at the local and state level.

SOIL AMENDMENTS**

Bone Meal**

Chicken Guano**

Perlite**

Oyster Shell**

Dr. Earth All Purpose**

Bloom and Bud**

**Products are not stored on-site; purchased on an as-needed basis and introduced into soil immediately.

See attached Safety Data Sheets for pesticides:

Neem Oil

Trifecta

Vermafire