

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION #2

For Planning Commission Agenda of:
November 19, 2020

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Re: Mattole River Farms, LLC Conditional Use Permit

Record Number: PLN-11752-CUP
Assessor Parcel Number: 108-161-034-000
569 Huckleberry Lane, Whitethorn Area

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

1. Letter from previous landowner Karen Ruth in support of existing cultivation.

To Whom it May Concern:

This email is in response to the complaints about the cannabis permit application PLN-11752-CUP.

The Huckleberry Lane neighborhood used the same type of unfounded complaints to attempt to halt the permit process for the water and the pond in the 1990's. Letters were written an apple and quince orchard "is not consistent with the neighborhood, it will negatively affect the Mattole River, if the pond fails it will flood our house, this should be recreational property only." There were so many complaints that the SWRCB sent the head of the department to our property to do a site visit. They could not believe that all of these allegations were unfounded. They found that the complaints were all unfounded. This is the same situation, a classic "not in my backyard" scenario.

Looking at the Google Earth photos of May 2014 photo and September 2015, you can see where there were trees cleared out in the fall of 2014 and spring of 2015 to grow more cannabis, we also planted in other spaces between the trees before and after this, anywhere from approximately 250-500 plants. The idea was to leave a tree barrier around the plants so you could not easily detect them from Huckleberry Lane, and according to the neighbors statements, we were successful. We contacted several people who visited our property during these years to attest that there were hundreds of Cannabis plants being grown in the orchard and you have received these emails.

I am available to answer or clarify any questions or issues.

Sincerely,

Karen Ruth