

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

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Humboldt's Full Sun Farms Conditional Use Permit Application Number: 10959 Case Number: CUP16-112 Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 223-075-012

Benbow area, US HWY 101 and Sprowel Creek area

A Conditional Use Permit for 18,000 square feet of existing outdoor cannabis cultivation. The applicant will use PVC hoops over raised garden beds that utilize light deprivation for two cultivation cycles annually. Immature clones will be obtained from a licensed nursery. No mixed light cultivation is proposed. Water for irrigation use is provided by an existing hydrologically connected well and point of diversion on a Class III unnamed watercourse on the subject parcel. Currently, there is 24,800 gallons of water storage in a water bladder and three water storage tanks. The proposed project includes development of a 2,500,000 water storage pond to store water for both domestic and irrigation uses. Expected water usage is approximately 176,000 gallons annually. Once harvested, cannabis is dried on-site in an existing agriculture storage building. A military-style tent is also used for drying temporarily. The tent will be taken down when not in use. The proposed project includes construction of a two-story, 2,250-square-foot processing facility. Dried cannabis will be transported off-site to a licensed processing facility until the on-site processing facility is constructed. Once all project elements are complete, up to 13 workers would be hired up to three times per year. Portable toilets will be installed to meet onsite wastewater provisions until the processing facility and permanent on-site wastewater system is constructed. Power is provided by generators.

Find the project Categorically Exempt from environmental review pursuant to Sections 15301, 15303 and 15304 of the State CEQA Guidelines, make all the required findings for approval of the Conditional Use Permit based on evidence in the staff report and any public testimony, and adopt the Resolution approving the proposed Humboldt's Full Sun Farms Conditional Use Permit subject to the recommended conditions.