

Nevada County Planning Department and Nevada County Board of Supervisors
950 Maidu Ave, Suites 170 and 200
Attn: Planning Department and Heidi Hall
Subject: Proposed Commercial Marijuana Farm at 12345 Sunshine Valley Road,
Grass Valley

July 6, 2020

RECEIVED
JUL 10 2020
NEVADA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EACH SUPERVISOR RECEIVED

To Whom it May concern:

I am writing this letter to voice my very strong concerns regarding the proposed commercial marijuana farm project at 12345 Sunshine Valley Road in Grass Valley.

As a nearby resident of this property, I strongly believe this project is completely inappropriate for our quiet neighborhood. Allowing a project like this to proceed will cause a long list of safety issues that the property owner will be unable to mitigate, including but not limited to:

- Our physical safety. It's a crop that requires high security against thieves and statistically brings crime to an area.
- Increased auto traffic on a single lane road
- Increased foot traffic of trimmers looking for the property
- Chemical abatement issues in a wetland area and feeder creek
- Involuntary exposure to concentrated chemicals emitted by cannabis operation
- Noise from commercial-scale equipment
- Increased fire risk
- Increased draw on the local water table
- Depreciation of home values:
 - Homes within a half-mile of a marijuana business often have lower property value.

- Neighborhoods with grow houses are the least desirable, with an 8.4 percent price discount.”
- The growing operation would require a real estate disclosure at the time of sale

I understand that these landowners have the right to develop their property, but a commercial marijuana farm of this scale puts this community at high risk.

An excerpt from neighboring counties:

Officials in Coverdale, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Petaluma are complaining that all of this legal weed business has done nothing for their community but spawn “home invasions, violent crimes and robberies.” Sergeant Spencer Crum of the Sonoma County Sheriff’s Department claims “bodies have piled up,” as a result of this scheme.

In summary, this project will only cause harm for the citizens of the Sunshine Valley Road neighborhood. I strongly urge you to rule against this inappropriate and unsafe proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dave Cados', written in a cursive style.

Dave Cados

Property owner at 12708 Sierra Vista Drive, Grass Valley