

From: [Elsie Wenger](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: Opposition to 6B cannabis grow- to be read at meeting on 10/24
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 3:16:52 PM

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Good morning,

My name is Elsie Wenger and I live across the street from the 6B ranch. I spoke last meeting but unfortunately can't attend today. I brought my three children last meeting to show that we are a community with children and wonderful families that don't want this in our neighborhood. My husband and I picked this little slice of heaven because of the beauty and peacefulness that this area has to offer. I am a two time Olympian and gold medalist that represented our country for many years prior to moving here. I have travelled the world but picked this beautiful stretch of McCourtney to raise my children. All of our neighbors have also picked this beautiful place to raise families or enjoy retirement. The 6B neighborhood has local business owners, pilots, active duty air force officers, nurses, firefighters, CEO's, lineman, retired navy officials, pilots, teachers and many many other hardworking Nevada county residence. We are your constituents, and we oppose this cannabis grow. We live here and would be the ones left with the aftermath of this horrible decision. We are the residents and are saying no!

You will be ruining a piece of Nevada county's history and our beautiful neighborhood by approving this grow. Please protect our neighborhood and the future of this historic ranch for our children.

Thank you for your time,
Elsie Wenger

From: [Lana Jane Corless](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: re: 6B's Cannabis application appeal
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 2:23:57 PM

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This email is in regard to the appeal in place regarding the cannabis operation on

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I am a long time resident of Nevada County moving here in 1986 drawn to its historical culture, beautiful environment that nurtured families in a safe caring community. I have lived in the 6B's estates for 7 years. This is a family neighborhood community that strives to care and support its neighbors. Having heard a few years ago that an application was in place for a cannabis operation to be housed in the historical Diamond F Ranch which the 6B's Estates surrounds, I felt betrayed by my elected officials that this industry which most recently was made legal would be located in close proximity of my home. Nevada County has extensive acreages to house a cannabis operations...not in neighborhoods.

Truthfully I am in total disbelief that this application would even be considered after repeated concerns and red flags mentioned at previous meetings and letters to the supervisors. This is a REAL concern for community residents including our children..as our precious resources of water, air quality, contamination to our soil, visibility of operation, safety, and fire concerns to name a few issues will change the historical vision of our beautiful Nevada County.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Lana Corless

Sent from my iPad

From: [Linda Baran](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: October 24, 2023 Nevada County Board of Supervisors Meeting
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 1:36:50 PM

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,
Nevada County

I have been a resident of the 6B Ranch neighborhood in Nevada County for almost 25 years & in that time the Board of Supervisors has usually acted to support the wellbeing & safety of the citizens of Nevada County.

However, this has not been the case with reference to awarding a permit for a commercial cannabis operation within the 6B Ranch community.

This operation poses a serious threat to our physical health, water management, fire safety & quality of life. It may also invite additional risks in terms of criminal elements drawn to such operations.

Please **do not award a permit for the 6B Ranch operation.**

Sincerely,

Linda Baran

From: [Sandra Ferguson](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: Letter to be read at Board meeting on 24 Oct
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 12:57:56 PM
Attachments: [Ferguson Letter.docx](#)

Not a County resident

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To Whom It May Concern,

My husband and I owned the Diamond F Ranch from 1992-2018 and are appalled at what this county is trying to do to the ranch. I've included a letter to be read to the Board of Supervisors during public comment.

Thank you,
Sandy Ferguson

October 23, 2023

Board of Supervisors,

We purchased the 6B Ranch in February of 1992, we lived on the property until October 2018. We sold the property with the horse barns and outbuildings to Karim Mazu, knowing we didn't have a permit for the RV trailer; he wanted the trailer to stay on the property.

At the time we sold our ranch there were no living quarters, nor interior bathing facilities in the horse barns. In fact when we lived on the property there was no plumbing running from the water well to the barns. That water well was plumbed to the residence with the ranch house now owned by the Wordens.

For the last few years on the ranch we lived in the RV trailer which had axles and a hitch and was ready to be moved at any time via our trucks.

When we purchased the property there was a miner shack out by the water well but it was demolished in the early 1990s. We tore them down and burned the wood which we were cited for burning hazardous waste by Nevada County.

If there was an apartment built inside one of the horse barns in 1967 then why didn't we live in it? Why has the ranch been sold multiple times without ever advertising a living quarters in the barns? It's simple..there has never been a living quarters in the unpermitted horse barns.

We could never paint our barns or make any improvements because it was only 5 feet from the creek, but now you're allowing people to live in these barns and make it a legal residence in order to facilitate a drug operation. We urge you to protect our environment, the neighborhood and the ranch property and stop this nonsense, don't destroy one of the longest standing horse ranches in Nevada County.

The Heilmann's put this ranch on the map for their Appaloosas, the Bruegels put this ranch on the map for their Quarter Horses and we made a world-wide name for our thoroughbred breeding facility, please don't jeopardize the ranch by making it a marijuana farm.

Thank you,

David & Sandra Ferguson



From: [Irv Baran](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: Re Appeal 10/24/23 BOS 9 A.M.Meeting
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 2:59:53 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

I applaud your recent survey of Nevada County residents for their opinions regarding life in Nevada County.

At the same time we in the 6B Ranch community are faced with a considerable threat to our quality of life.

Having a commercial marijuana operation amidst our residential community is that consequential threat.

This activity would result in major deleterious effects on the environment, on our health, and to our safety.

Promises of possible revenue from allowing such a source does not even come close to outweighing the resulting

major detriment to our community's quality of life.

Your decision whether to allow this operation in our community is not only a practical one but a moral one.

I earnestly hope that you deny its permit,

Thank you for your consideration,

Irv Baran

Resident of 6B Ranch community

From: [Marilyn Scholl](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Subject: Proposed Cannabis operation adjacent to 6B Ranch Estataes
Date: Saturday, October 21, 2023 12:11:27 PM

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Clerk of the Board: Julie Patterson Hunter

15. SR 23-4805 Resolution making findings, accepting the appeal filed by Court and Megan Worden from the decision of the Nevada County Planning Department for the conditional approval for an Administrative Development Permit, Petition for Exceptions to Driveway Standards, and Management Plan (PLN20-0042; ADP20-0012; PFX22-0037; MGT23-0023) to permit a commercial cannabis operation on the property located at Thoroughbred Loop, Grass Valley, CA 95949 (APN 053-320-044); and scheduling the appeal for a public hearing on December 5, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

I am writing this correspondence to express my deep concern nearing outrage of what appears to be the continuing actions of the Board of Supervisors favoring a request for approval of a commercial cannabis operation on the old Diamond F ranch property over the interests and quality of life of over 40 surrounding personal residences. This process has been on-going now for several years with the Board of Supervisors continually forgiving and/or ignoring the multiple reasons this proposed operation should not be given Board approval. Time and time again the applicants have proven to misrepresent, prevaricate and ignore Code requirements for such an application. Still the Board entertains potential approval.

What about the rights of the surrounding property owners who pay their taxes and maintain fire safety standards and abide by the rules??? The property owners of the 6B ranch stand to see a significant decrease in property values as a result of a commercial grow "next door." In addition to the loss in value, the issue of this operation creating a dangerous environment for our children, environmental contamination, and obnoxious odors permeating the neighborhood to the point that outdoor enjoyment of our properties will be impossible.

PLEASE - PLEASE consider the dire repercussions that a commercial cannabis grow will have on our neighborhood. There are so many other open space areas for such an operation that will not have a detrimental effect on residential properties. Tax paying, law abiding, respectful property owners and residents must be assured that the County will protect their rights to a safe and healthy environment not jeopardized by a non-conforming and incorrect use of adjacent property.

John P. & Marilyn M. Scholl

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From: [Stephen Senatore](#)
To: [BOS Public Comment](#)
Cc: [Jason Rowe](#); [Court Worden](#)
Subject: Objection to granting an Administrative Development Permit (ADP20-0042) for the cultivation of cannabis located at 14120 Thoroughbred Loop.
Date: Friday, October 20, 2023 5:26:09 PM

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to strongly object to the Administrative Development Permit (ADP20-0042) for the cultivation of cannabis located at 14120 Thoroughbred Loop, Grass Valley, CA 95949. This decision poses several substantial concerns, especially as we reside directly across from the proposed site on Thoroughbred Loop.

- **Increased Crime:** The presence of cannabis businesses has been linked to heightened criminal activity, jeopardizing our community's safety. Such establishments can attract undesirable elements and create an unsafe environment for our residents.
- **Lower Property Values:** Homes situated near cannabis dispensaries or cultivation facilities often experience a decline in market values. This not only impacts our homeowners financially but also diminishes the overall appeal of our neighborhood, making it less attractive to potential buyers and investors.
- **Well Water Impact:** Cannabis cultivation necessitates significant water usage, potentially straining our already limited well water supply. The excessive demand for water may lead to shortages and a reduction in water quality, affecting our daily lives and the environment.
- **Offensive Smell:** The operations associated with cannabis businesses can generate unpleasant odors, which can disrupt our quality of life and compromise the desirability of living in close proximity to such facilities.
- **Community Division:** Perhaps the most concerning aspect of this proposal is the division it may create within our community. Granting a commercial cannabis license for this property has the potential to divide residents, causing friction and damaging the strong sense of community we have cultivated over the years.

I urge you to reconsider granting this license in favor of preserving the security, property values, and community cohesion that we cherish. Our neighborhood's well-being should be a priority in any decision-making process, and I hope you take these concerns seriously.

Sincerely,

Stephen Senatore / Jason Rowe

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