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RE: SCH #2020060675

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) Humboldt Area recently received a request to review and respond to the Adesa Organic Project. Adesa Organic's Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal describes the establishment of 86,400 square feet of new mixed-light cannabis cultivation facilities to be built on Butler Valley Road eight miles south of Maple Creek Road. The project description states these facilities would be operated by approximately 20 employees and serve to allow for marijuana grown on over 400 acres to be farmed. The project description notes the marijuana grown at this property will be processed offsite. The CHP's primary concern, both generally and in terms of this project, is one of safety. The roads in this area are known to be winding, narrow, and often poorly maintained. These roadways could make it difficult, and likely hazardous, to move the equipment and materials necessary to construct the described facilities to the proposed location, and once constructed, to operate the farm. Additionally, the increased vehicular traffic on these roads, often of insufficient width for two vehicles to pass, could create the possibility of motorists becoming stuck in disabled vehicles and/or motorists being involved in traffic collisions. The CHP Humboldt Area recommends considerations be made to improve the roadways needed to access this site prior to implementation of the project in order to mitigate these dangers.

If there are questions regarding the concerns of the CHP Humboldt Area, please contact Sergeant Caleb Carsey at (707) 822-5981.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. L. Barr".

S. L. BARR, Captain
Commander

