

City of Clearlake

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Scott DeLeon, Interim Director Community Development Department County of Lake 255 N. Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

Re: City of Clearlake Lake Vista Farm Project Letter of Support

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

The City of Clearlake has received a request for a Letter of Support for the Lake Vista Farm Project, which is an outdoor cannabis cultivation project proposed northeast of the City of Clearlake at 2050 and 2122 Ogulin Canyon Road (Lake Vista Farm - APN's 010-053-01 and 02). We understand that this project requires approval of a Lake County - Major Use Permit and that there is a requirement that cannabis cultivation be prohibited within 1,000 feet of an incorporated City Sphere of Influence, unless the applicant can provide a letter of support from the City (Section 4. 1. v. d. of County Ordinance # 3084). This project lies within the County's established Cannabis Exclusion Area, which is 1,000 feed from the Clearlake City boundary/sphere of influence.

The Clearlake City Council has considered this request and determined that I shall issue letters of support for projects that are consistent with adopted policy for projects within 1,000 feet of Clearlake's City boundary.

- 1. The property is contiguous with a property within the City that is designated for commercial cannabis activity. Properties must have at least 20% of their lot line contiguous with a parcel within the City's cannabis zone in order to be considered eligible.
- 2. The City requests the County condition the approval of any appropriate project permit to address the project's impacts on City infrastructure and resources.
 - a. If the primary access to the property is utilizing a City maintained street, the City shall request either the developer or County (presumably utilizing a portion of cannabis tax proceeds from the project) provide an appropriate mitigation fee.
 - b. If calls for service to the Clearlake Police Department exceed five within one year, the developer or the County shall provide an appropriate mitigation fee or establish a manned sub-station of the Lake County Sheriff's Office which will respond.

If the County includes Use Permit conditions/mitigation measures for the project consistent with the impacts to City infrastructure and resources above, this letter can be considered a Letter of Support. Additionally, we trust that any potential environmental impacts associated with the project will be addressed in the County CEQA Initial Study and appropriate mitigation measures/Major Use Permit conditions of approval.

I am happy to address any further questions you may have about this project or City policy.

Sincerely,

Afan D. Flora City Manager

Cc: Richard Knoll, Lake Vista Farms representative

Mike Mitzel, Lake Vista Farms representative