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To Mr. Johnston:

My name is Peter Fryn, owner of land at 1309 and 1313 Green Valley Road in Watsonville, in unincorporated Santa Cruz County. I have been following the legislative process related to proposed Chapter 7.128.

I would like to applaud the County for these efforts, and encourage the Board to pass a permitting system that allows upstanding operators to cultivate commercial cannabis in Santa Cruz County. Also, I would like to make some recommendations to the Board regarding proposed Chapter 7.128.

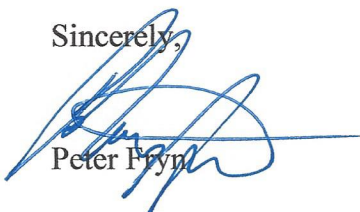
First, the percentage of allowable canopy to overall parcel square footage currently proposed maxes out at two-percent (2%). There is little reason to apportion the allowable canopy to such a small percentage. Two-percent (2%) simply seems like a miniscule and arbitrary peg. Please consider allowing a greater percentage of the parcel to be allowed to cultivate cannabis.

Additionally, the public right of way setback is so large that it blanket-prohibits many leasable buildings that are close to roads. These buildings keep out of sight and allow filtration of other potential nuisances such as odor and noise. Also, agricultural buildings reduce potential impacts from waste and storm water, and enhances safety and security by controlling access. It would be logical for the County to consider decreasing the public right of way setback to allow more agricultural buildings to be used under the proposed Chapter 7.128.

Much of proposed Chapter 7.128 already protects the public against the site, odor, and lessens the impact of other potential nuisances that may arise from commercial cannabis cultivation. Again, please consider lessening the setback from the cultivation area to the public right of way.

Thank you for your time and efforts in bringing safe, clean, and legal cannabis cultivation to the County of Santa Cruz.

Sincerely,



Peter Fryn