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Greetings,

In my opinion, the environmental impact of cannabis cultivation in Santa Cruz County has been low. However, a cannabis cultivation ordinance and licensing program that excludes very few of the current cultivators will succeed in reducing the environmental impact of cannabis cultivation even further.

Ways of achieving an inclusive program include:

- allowing aggregation of multiple licenses on a single parcel of land.
- creating a micro size license for the smallest gardens to participate
- creating incentives for cultivators (such as fee reductions and/or square footage increases) who adhere to USDA organic guidelines for crop production

Thank you for your consideration.

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