

## **Attachment A DRAFT**

### **KEY POINTS – Industrial Hemp Pilot Program**

**Presented by the CEDAC/Ag Commission joint working committee.**

The following are key points that have been customized to meet the specific needs of El Dorado County. The proposed pilot program will also adhere to all mandatory state regulations regarding testing, compliance, inspections and all other applicable functions.

#### **I. Best Management Practices**

Adopt appropriate BMP's into the pilot program as outlined by the Agricultural Commission.

#### **II. Zoning and land use**

- Allow indoor and outdoor cultivation of Industrial Hemp in all Agricultural zones: LA, PA, AG, RL with existing agricultural set-backs.
- Allow indoor cultivation in industrial zones.
- In good-faith to the concerns of residents and neighbors, ban hemp cultivation in all residentially zoned parcels.
- Minimum parcel size: 10 acres.

#### **III. Ministerial permit process**

#### **IV. Limit permits issued to 50**

#### **V. Additional Inspections**

In addition to complying with all required CDEA inspections and THC testing protocols, the Agricultural Commissioner shall conduct additional annual inspections of a random sample of registrants to verify registration information, confirm crop destruction, and ensure appropriate record keeping.

#### **VI. Fees and bond for destruction plan**

Establish a fee structure to cover costs of pilot program management. Permit holders must put up a bond sufficient to cover crop destruction in the case of THC levels past the .3% threshold. If the producer adequately mitigates the crop the bond can be refunded or put towards the following year.

#### **VII. Official Signage program**

In order to deter theft and confusion with cannabis, permit holder will comply with an official signage program clearly distinguishing the crop as Industrial Hemp with the license number clearly displayed. Signage must be prominent, legible from a distance and displayed in all areas of the grow site that is visible to the public.

#### **VIII. Research**

Encourage research and studies to be conducted by accredited educational or industry institutions on terpene drift and it's effect on neighboring crops.

#### **IX. Sensitive Populations**

Monitor cultivation sites impacts on sensitive groups or locations (such as schools and parks) to inform policy and regulations during and/or after the pilot program based on feedback and data.