

For the record, my name is David Harde, a resident of Somerset for 43 years. Today's Board Item 23-1501, reflects the request and consideration for immediate and essential changes to the current El Dorado County Cannabis Regulations. 5 years have lapsed since the 2018 El Dorado County Cannabis Referendum was passed and in that time, the regulations have become archaic and obsolete. Only one cannabis farm operates today, no revenues, no taxes, no benefits have accrued to our County to date!

Today your decision on this agenda Item is elemental: Vote to amend the essentially flawed El Dorado County Cannabis Regulations for the benefit of all. Our sister California counties, Sonoma and Nevada, have exemplary cannabis regulatory models successfully in operation for years.

The recommendations from The Planning Commission are clear. Please vote positively on the issues. Furthermore, time is of the essence: The necessary changes are few, but no less imperative to amend and incorporate rational regulatory standards into our local codes and regulations. Please consider the review and adoption of these amendments and expedite the process. Too much time has already passed. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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