

Humboldt Cannabis Reform Initiative

for the June 2024 Humboldt County Election Ballot

The purpose of the **Humboldt Cannabis Reform Initiative** is to amend the County's General Plan in order to protect residents, land owners and our beautiful natural environment from harm caused by large-scale industrial cannabis cultivation.

- 1. Support small-scale, high quality cannabis cultivation.**
Structure and implement ordinances and policies that encourage small scale production while minimizing environmental and social impacts.
- 2. Prevent large-scale grows that damage the environment and harm the community.**
Limit new and expanded commercial cannabis cultivation permits to Outdoor, Mixed-light Tier 1 and Nurseries with maximum cultivation area <10,000 sq ft.
- 3. Limit the number of permits and acreage under cannabis cultivation.**
Cap the number of permits and acreage under cultivation just above those approved and existing as of March 4, 2022. Require a vote of the people to increase caps in the future.
- 4. Reduce the impacts of cannabis cultivation on water availability and water quality.**
Prohibit reliance on diversions from streams and rivers for commercial cannabis cultivation between March 1 and November 15 of each year. Require analysis of the effects of groundwater usage on instream flows and other water users. Prohibit applicant self-certification of compliance with private road standards.
- 5. Ensure greater public participation and official accountability in decision-making.**
Require expanded public notice of cannabis cultivation application. Expand the range of applications subject to discretionary review and public hearings.
- 6. Ensure that existing operations are inspected and compliance verified prior to permit renewal.**
Require in-person, on-site inspections, correction of violations and investigation of complaints before permits can be renewed.
- 7. Limit use of generators in cannabis cultivation operations.**
Over time, phase in requirements that limit generator size and restrict usage to emergency purposes for all commercial cannabis cultivation.

Would You Like to Help?

We are in need of donations and volunteers to help with the petition signature drive.

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*A new vision for cannabis cultivation
in Humboldt County*