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**COUNTY OF LAKE
NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Project Title: Fire Mountain Ranch; Major Use Permit (UP 21-53); Initial Study (IS 21-56)

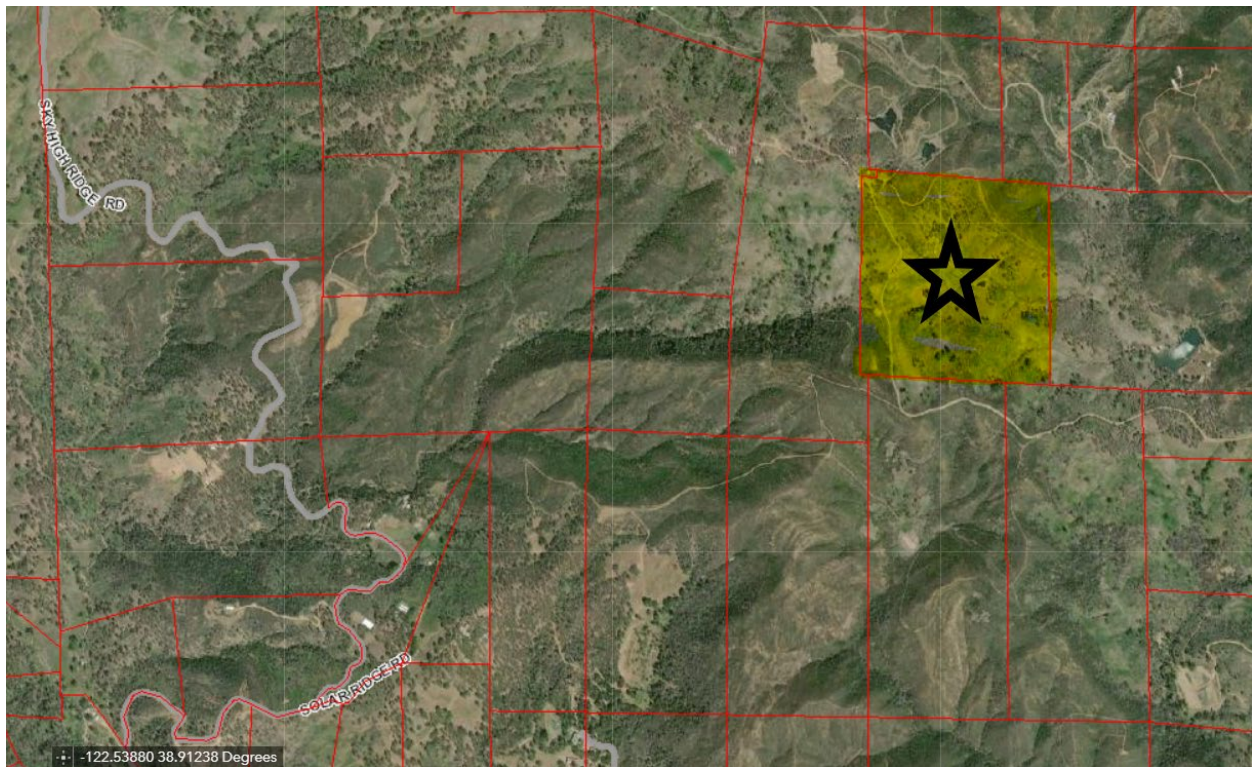
Project Location: 21506 Morgan Valley Road, Lower Lake, CA, 95457

APN No.: 012-069-17

Project Description:

Fire Mountain Ranch Lower Lake, LLC (FMRL) is seeking a Major Use Permit from the County of Lake for a proposed commercial cannabis cultivation operation at 21506 Morgan Valley Road near Lower Lake, CA on Lake County APN 012-069-17 (Project Parcel/Property). FMRL's proposed commercial cannabis cultivation operation would be composed of three A-Type 3 "Medium Outdoor" cultivation areas, three A-Type 1C "Mixed-Light" cultivation areas, a 3,000 ft² Immature Plant Area/Greenhouse, a 6,000 ft² Processing Facility, and a 160 ft² Pesticides & Agricultural Chemical Storage Area. The total cultivation area of the proposed cannabis cultivation operation (as defined in Chapter 21, Article 27 of the Lake County Code), including the combined cultivation areas, Immature Plant Area, Processing Facility, and Pesticides & Agricultural Chemicals Storage Area, is 147,340 ft². The Project Parcel has been enrolled for coverage under the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) Cannabis General Order since September 20th, 2018 (WDID: 5S17CC403957). The 79-acre RL and APZ-zoned Project Parcel is located on the eastern slopes of Sky High Ridge/Mountain, within the Rocky Creek-Cache Creek watershed (HUC12), and approximately 4.5 miles east of Lower Lake, CA. The Project Parcel is accessed via a shared private gravel access road off of Morgan Valley Road. Areas of the proposed cultivation operation would be accessed via the shared private gravel access road and private gravel access roads off of the shared private gravel access road. Locking metal gates across the private gravel access roads would control access to the Project Parcel and the proposed cultivation operation. Historical land uses of the Project Parcel include extensive agriculture (animal grazing), collective cannabis cultivation, as well as a rural residential estate. The property was burned in the Rocky Fire of 2015.

The public review period for the respective proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration based on Initial Study IS 21-56 will begin on **February 28, 2023**, and end on **March 30, 2023**. You are encouraged to submit written comments regarding the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. You may do so by submitting written comments to the Planning Division prior to the end of the review period. Copies of the application, environmental documents, and all reference documents associated with the project are available for review through the **Community Development Department, Planning Division; telephone (707) 263-2221 and the State Clearinghouse, SCH #:** _____ . Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Division or via email at CannabisCEQA@lakecountycalifornia.gov.



Vicinity Map of Fire Mountain Ranch