



Department of  
Cannabis Control  
CALIFORNIA

**NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA**  
**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL**

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Project Title: Hcl Ilc (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located at 147-333-03-01, in Mendocino County.

County: Mendocino County

Project Description: The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Professions Code, Section 26012, approved a Specialty Cottage Outdoor commercial cannabis license submitted on 03/17/2023 by Hcl Ilc.

Project Activities: The Project will consist of cannabis cultivation and supporting activities in the RR district where Mendocino allows cannabis cultivation. Mature cultivation is 2,500 square feet and immature canopy is 1,215 square feet of the total project footprint. Approved composting, pesticide storage, harvest storage, and processing within project footprint. Packaging will be done at another licensed facility. Maximum of 50,000 gallons per year will be pulled from Groundwater well for cannabis cultivation. Domestic water and irrigation water will be stored on property. Electricity is provided by PG&E and usage is estimated to be 1950 KWH per year only for the water pump since the other cultivation activities will not require energy. Cannabis cultivation project was established by 2021 and no construction, ground disturbance or water demand changes are proposed. Project has already been issued a Mendocino cultivation permit on 5/03/2023 and previously held a DCC provisional small mixed-light tier 1 license. Project doesn't require an LSA notification from CDFW and is enrolled in the Water Quality Protection Program as a Tier 1 Low Risk. No hazardous waste/materials are associated with this project.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14 (CCR), § 15268]
- Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, §15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, § 15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption, CCR §15301]
- Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- General Rule [CCR, § 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption project. Class 1 Categorical Exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations to existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. None of the exceptions to this exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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