

POSTED IN THE OFFICE OF
THE TRINITY COUNTY CLERK

FROM: 3-29-24 TO: 4-29-24

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:
 Office of Planning and Research
U.S. Mail: _____ Street Address: _____
P.O. Box 3044 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Sacramento, CA 95814
 County Clerk
County of: Trinity
Address: 11 Court Street, P.O.Box 1215,
Weaverville, CA 96093

From:
Public Agency: Trinity County
Address: 530 Main Street P.O. Box 2819
Weaverville, CA 96093
Contact: Drew Plebani
Phone: 530-623-1351
Lead Agency (if different from above): _____
Address: _____
Contact: _____
Phone: _____

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2018122049

Project Title: Emerald Gold Farms LLC

Project Applicant: Earl Roberts

Project Location (include county): 1661 Mad River Road, Mad River (Trinity), CA 95552

Project Description: The proposed cultivation project described herein (Project) currently includes the cultivation of up to 10,000 SF of cannabis cultivation, located in Trinity County on Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 018-050-69-00. The applicant is seeking a Small Mixed-Light Cannabis Cultivation License (CCL-645) and holds a Specialty Mixed-Light Cannabis Cultivation License and a Specialty Outdoor Cannabis Cultivation License from the Department of Cannabis Control (DCC; CCL20-0000670 and CCL20-0000674). Cultivation activities include 4,320 SF of mixed-light and 4,800 SF of outdoor, for a total cultivation area of 9,120 SF, in addition to 6,160 SF of existing immature plant area. The project proposes to replace the 4,800 SF of outdoor mature canopy with 4,800 SF of mixed-light. Additional support infrastructure includes 24'x50' Shop with proposed immature plant area, processing admin hold and harvest storage; three (3) 3,000gal and a 2,500gal water storage tanks; a 1,500gal and a 550gal mixing tanks; 8'x12' chemical storage area, 8'x20' general storage, 10'x12' general storage, 10'x20' compost area, proposed 10'x12' Chemical Storage area, eight (8) proposed 5,000gal water storage tanks. The proposed project includes the use of a groundwater well for a water source. The cultivation is irrigated via a drip system to reduce water loss. A more detailed project description can be found in the Appendix C Checklist. SPECIAL NOTES: Results from the Cultural Resources Investigation, prepared by Archaeological Research and Supply Company, dated February 2022, resulted in no archaeological findings, although the records search revealed seven (7) previous surveys conducted within ½ mile of the

property and one previously recorded finding on the property. All previously recorded archaeological resources are outside the proposed project parcel and will remain unaffected by the project activities. However, the Cultural Resource Investigation recommends that a tribal monitor or licensed archaeologist be present for any future ground-disturbing activities. The County shall ensure this requirement is included in the conditions of approval for the project. Additionally, the Project states that it holds a Specialty Mixed-Light Tier 1 and a Specialty Outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation license from the DCC; however, the DCC licenses found are listed for Specialty Outdoor only. Although this Project is describing cultivation operations as Small-Mixed light, no artificial lighting during the flowering period is currently described in the Appendix C Checklist as existing or proposed in any of the 6' hoop tunnels and therefore all mature canopy for this project could be defined as outdoor. If supplemental light during the flowering period is proposed for use in future plans, Resubmission of the Appendix C Checklist with further CEQA review could be required.

This is to advise that the Trinity County Community Development Department- Cannabis Division has approved the above (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on March 22, 2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project. (date).

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:
Trinity County Community Development Department- Cannabis Division (530 Main Street,
Weaverville CA 96093)

The County finds that the adoption of the proposed project falls within the Trinity County Cannabis Program Environmental Impact Report ("EIR")(SCH# 2018122049). Certified by the Board of Supervisors on December 21, 2020 (Resolution 2020-103). Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14) Section 15168, the impacts associated with the proposed project were studied, and mitigation measures concerning such impacts were developed, in the Cannabis Program EIR. No further environmental review is required because the County finds, based on substantial evidence in the Record of Proceedings, that approval of this project is a "later activity" associated with the Cannabis Program EIR, as defined by subsection (c) of Section 15168, in that (i)all impacts associated with the approval of this project are within the scope of environmental review previously studied, and (ii) the requirements and mitigations required by Chapter 17.43 and 17.43G of the Trinity County Code, adequately serve to mitigate the impacts associated with approval of this project.

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Cannabis Division Director

Date: March 22, 2024 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Filed in County Clerk's Office
Trinity County

Shanna S. White
Clerk/Recorder/Assessor

53-03292024-093

03/29/2024
08:55 AM

Pages: 2

Fees: \$50.00

DocType: CEQA

