

# NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Applicant: Earley Farms, LLC

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APN: 217-251-003, 217-244-004, 217-244-007 & 217-225-007

Record No.: CUP-16-813

App No. PLN-12705-CUP

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

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2015102005

**Project Title:** Medical Marijuana Land Use Ordinance--Phase IV

**Project Location:** (Include County)

The project parcels are located in Humboldt County, in the Blocksburg area, approximately 2.25 miles from the intersection of Church Street and an unnamed access road, and approximately 3.5 miles from the intersection of Church Street and Alderpoint Road, in Township 02S of Range 05E Sections 3, 9 and 10 Humboldt Base & Meridian.

### Project Description:

**Project Description:** A Conditional Use Permit for authorizing the continued operation of pre-existing commercial cannabis cultivation on a parcel where approximately 68,000 square feet of area was historically used for outdoor cultivation and approximately 4,400 square feet of area was used for mixed light cultivation operated from the property since prior to 2016. Under the Use Permit, one (1) acre of the prior outdoor cultivation is proposed to be continued and the 4,400 square feet of Mixed-Light Cultivation will instead be operated in an Outdoor fashion, for a combined total of approximately 47,560 square feet of outdoor cultivation. Cultivation activities are proposed to be removed and relocated from three existing sites and consolidated within two distinct areas on the property. The three former sites are proposed to be fully remediated following removal of all cultivation infrastructure. Cultivation will continue to occur primarily in pots, within a series of approximately 22 greenhouses, each approximately 20 feet in width and of varying lengths. Light deprivation techniques will be used to induce early flowering and allow for a total of 2 harvests per year in each of the greenhouses. Juvenile cannabis plants will be supplied to the property twice a year delivered from an off-site licensed nursery. Two (2) greenhouses (each approximately 2,000 square feet in size) are proposed to be constructed and will primarily be used as propagation areas to help mature juvenile plants used during the second cultivation cycle. No supplemental lighting or generators are used as part of the cultivation and propagation activities. Annual estimated water usage for cultivation is 687,000 gallons and all water for irrigation is provided by an existing off-stream rainwater catchment pond with approximately 2,000,000 gallons of storage. Initial processing and drying of the harvest occurs within two existing barns and further processing occurs off-site. All cultivation operations are conducted by the property owner and their family.

This is to advise that the County of Humboldt as the Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on May 2, 2024 and has determined that the project described above is in compliance with, and is consistent with the Commercial Medical Cannabis Land Use Ordinance (CMMLUO) adopted January 26, 2016, for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration was also adopted, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

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.  
 A Mitigated 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 Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the adoption and responses and record of project approval, and the Addendum, is available to the General Public at: Planning Division, 3015 H St, Eureka, CA 95501.

Signature:   
Title: Senior Planner

Date: 6/16/24  
Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_