

November 15, 2022

TO: Ken Compton  
c/o Permit Sonoma  
2550 Ventura Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

FR: Thoreson Family  
901 Trinity Road  
Glen Ellen, CA 95442

RE: Mitigated Negative Declaration  
Quarry Farm LLC  
585 Trinity Road  
Glen Ellen, CA. 95442

Cc: Sonoma County Planning Commission  
Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

To All Concerned Parties and Neighbors,

In a prior conversation with Permit Sonoma regarding the above-named parcel, I was told that this permit for a zone change at the cannabis farm was a formality that simply had been delayed due to the pandemic. In that conversation, I expressed my concern about several recent power outages that were attributed, by PG&E, to an

overload at the farm site and which affected the Trinity Road homes for more than a dozen hours—and were NOT caused by weather or utility maintenance problems. This impact was unknown to Permit Sonoma, and I was assured it would be considered in any further CEQA recommendations.

Subsequently, I learned from a nearby neighbor that the cannabis farm was off-grid completely and running its operation purely with generators—presumably propane-powered and legally permitted??

Now, at all hours of the day/night, we can hear the running of generators, disturbing the peace we had lived with for the past 25 years. We have been open-minded about the new agricultural trends. We have tolerated the odors of the outdoor grow. We have accepted the traffic increase on our narrow country road from employees changing shifts at the farm. But this latest Notice of Intent to Adopt A Mitigated Negative Declaration does not go far enough to protect our zoning! Instead, we are losing our protections for scenic resources and community separators—tree crews have been allowed to cut down random trees along Trinity Road and leave half stumps or push the debris onto private property; some property owners have been allowed to erect high fencing that cuts off wildlife corridors; rain water run-off along the roadway and creeks is not properly managed and creates unsafe driving conditions.

Additionally, there have been no traffic surveys or monitoring since the wildfire of 2017, yet our narrow rural road has been inundated at all hours of the day/night, every day of the week; there are no safety barriers; there are no speed limit signs; there are no north/south turn lanes from Trinity Road accessing Highway 12; there are no shoulders on most of the Trinity roadway.

Are we to expect these problems to persist if this "mitigated" NEGATIVE DECLARATION is approved? And, how is 10,890 square feet of propagation and self-distribution DEFINED?? Bottom line—we do not believe that you can mitigate this impact on scenic resources and community—and we do not believe that this zone change and permit is necessary for Quarry Farm LLC to operate legitimately.

We do believe that circumstances have changed dramatically since the original requests were filed, and a thorough investigation of the facts on the ground is seriously missing.

Please DO NOT ADOPT at this time. Those of us who LIVE HERE cannot escape the negative impacts of your decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lori & Barbara Thoreson". The signature is stylized, with a large, looped initial "L" and a cursive "B. Thoreson" following it.

Lori & Barbara Thoreson