

# NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

**WHO:** Project Applicant, Joseph Riccardo, **Permit Sonoma File No. UPC17-0031**

**WHAT:** Applicant proposes a commercial cannabis cultivation operation, consisting of 10,000 square feet of mixed-light cultivation, 9,000 square feet of mixed-light propagation, 33,560 square feet of medium outdoor cultivation, and 5,000 square feet of associated processing. Operations are proposed to occur 24 hours per day, 7 days a week as needed. Deliveries, shipping, and processing operations are proposed from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. The operation will employ up to 10 employees consisting of part time and full time employees. The project does not include a distribution. The project is located on a 100 acre parcel located at 4233 Browns Lane, Petaluma. **APN 068-010-016. Supervisorial District 2.**

**Parcel Zoning:** LEA (Land Extensive Agriculture), B6 60 (60-acre minimum density per residence), RC 50/50 (Riparian Corridor 50 feet/50 feet), VOH (Valley Oak Habitat)

In accordance with Public Resource Code and CEQA Guidelines, the County of Sonoma provides notice to agencies and interested parties that it is releasing a final Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration IS/MND for the project. The IS/MND did not find potential environmental impacts that could not be mitigated to a less-than-significant level. The IS/MND is available at Permit Sonoma at 2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

**WHERE & WHEN:**

After the close of the IS/MND public review period, the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors is **tentatively** scheduled to hold a public hearing on December 13, 2022 to consider the adoption of the IS/MND. In accordance with AB 361, Governor Newsom's March 4, 2020 State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Sonoma County Public Health Officer's Recommendation for Teleconferenced Meetings, and the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Resolution 21-0399, this meeting will be conducted via videoconference, with modified procedures by which members of the public may observe and offer public comment at the Board chambers. **Members of the public are encouraged to watch, listen, and participate in the hearing through Zoom or by phone call, though in person public participation is available.** A final hearing notice containing instructions on how to join the meeting will be issued ten (10) days prior to the confirmed hearing date.

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:**

Project materials and associated documents are available at Permit Sonoma, 2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 and digitally through the Project Planner, Haleigh Frye at [Haleigh.Frye@sonoma-county.org](mailto:Haleigh.Frye@sonoma-county.org) or (707) 565-2477 and through [Planner@sonoma-county.org](mailto:Planner@sonoma-county.org). Alternative record accommodations are available upon request.

**GETTING INVOLVED:**

If you have questions or concerns regarding the proposed project please contact the project planner listed above. The required 30-day public review period on the IS/MND is November 3, 2022 to December 5, 2022. Comments on the IS/MND must be received by December 5, 2022, **at 5:00PM**. All comments received after the review period will be included in the public record for consideration and provided to the decision-making body prior to or at the public hearing scheduled as above.

If you challenge the decision on the project in court you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to Permit Sonoma at or prior to the public hearing.

**DATE:** November 3, 2022