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Board of Supervisors Endorse a NO Position on *Measure AF-the Heritage Act*

On September 20, 2016, the Board of Supervisors adopted a No position on *Measure AF – the Heritage Act* for its lack of environmental review and public/community review process. The Board stated six specific reasons why they endorse a NO vote on Measure AF:

1. Measure AF is not needed because the County is already drafting comprehensive regulations, subject to public review, that provide all state approved cannabis license types while balancing the needs of our local communities, the natural environment and our local economy;
2. If Measure AF passes there will be no public review process to identify or mitigate significant environmental impacts;
3. Measure AF reduces or eliminates setbacks from neighbors that have been in place since 2010;
4. Measure AF eliminates the requirement for “wildlife exclusionary fencing” and eliminates all fencing requirements unless the garden is visible from the public right-of-way;
5. Measure AF makes up to an acre of cannabis cultivation a principle permitted use in almost every zoning district;
6. Measure AF allows thousands of new cannabis cultivators on new cultivation sites.

The Board’s “No on Measure AF” opposition statement is available on the Board of Supervisors webpage (link below).

Information and resources on local cannabis regulations are available on the new Cannabis Regulations page on the County’s website. Information and documents on cultivation, other industry permit types and cannabis measures on the ballot in November can be found online at <http://co.mendocino.ca.us/bos/mendoreg.htm>. The webpage will be updated frequently to provide the public with up-to-date information on the local regulatory process for medical cannabis. For more information, please contact the Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.

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