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Benton County
Attn: Linsey Godwin
360 SW Avery Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97333

Subject: Commercial growing of Hemp and Marijuana in RR zoning

Dear Ms. Godwin,

We reject growing, producing, processing, extracting, or anything else related to Hemp and Marijuana on any scale in RR zoning.

We recently bought property in a rural residential neighborhood because of its location and use. We built two houses, one for our daughter with special needs, and plan to live here for the rest of our lives. We are extremely pleased with the quiet use and enjoyment of our property. The proposed code changes related to marijuana and hemp would irrevocably compromise the intended use of RR zoning.

Our main objections to this code change are:

Strangers coming into an area where they previously had no reason to come would present dangers to children and families. We know our neighbors. We don't know the workers who would come regularly. Traffic would increase, presenting another significant danger to residents.

Excessive water use, thus depleting the source for wells in our area. We already had to drill a new well. It is possible that water quality could be affected as well.

Smell during processing is apparently quite nasty.

Noise and power usage would disrupt the reasonable expectation of peace and quiet in a residential neighborhood.

Regulation and compliance would be more difficult in areas that are more spread out and create additional traffic in the area.

Real estate values probably would decrease for all of the reasons listed above.

Land that is zoned EFU is found in abundance in Corvallis and the surrounding areas. There is no compelling need to expand marijuana and hemp operations into residential neighborhoods.

Gateway to other drugs – People who do not profit from marijuana recognize that its use contributes to the drug epidemic in this country and beyond.

If this is about revenue, then tax the growers and producers more. Please do not change the current zoning and intended purpose of the rural residential areas to allow for commercial use, particularly for marijuana and hemp.

Sincerely,

Charles Baron Kris Baron

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6675 NW Mountain View Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330

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Please ensure that RR zoning is preserved in the current status.

Sincerely Dr. Philip L. Jackson Patricia E. Jackson

Our Rural Residential Home Owner's Association is responsible for enforcing the Deed Restrictions each resident signed before building in our neighborhood. These Deed Restrictions explicitly prohibit any Commercial enterprise, 24 hour lighting, excessive traffic generation (and other issues) that interfere with our lifestyle and property values.
If Benton County allows Commercial Hemp and Marijuana growing in our neighborhood, that would represent a direct legal conflict with our Deed Restrictions should a Home Owner begin Commercial growing.

September 28, 2019

Benton County Community Development
360 SW Avery Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97333

To whom it may concern,

It has recently come to my attention that Benton County is considering allowing industrial/commercial marijuana and hemp production in areas zoned rural residential.

I am requesting that you stop considering this once and for all. Since the land zoned rural residential in Benton County is so small, it should be protected from anything that detracts from the livability in that zone. Industrial/commercial marijuana and hemp production certainly does that. This is a significant draw on water, additional use of pesticides, etc. to keep the crops healthy, creating livability issues for people and animals, not to mention the extremely unpleasant stench. For those like myself who have allergies/sensitivities and get sick just driving past a grow, it would be nightmare to have in the neighborhood. If the grow is an indoor, year-round endeavor, it becomes even worse with the usage of greenhouses draining power and lighting 24/7 creating problems for all who live there, including wildlife.

All of the issues with this industry decrease the livability of the rural residential zone and are not needed or wanted in Benton County residential neighborhoods. I also understand from those who have tried to sell their homes in areas where industrial/commercial marijuana & hemp are produced that the value of their property is greatly reduced.

Please consider these issues carefully and decide to keep Benton County rural residential zones livable for your neighbors.

Thank you.

Patsy Vaughn

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Benton County Community Development
360 S Avery Street
Corvallis, OR 97333-1139

Re: Proposed rule to allow commercial/industrial hemp grows on RR zoned land.

We are opposed to this special-interest rule for these reasons:

Land Use Incompatibility – Vehicles, lights, noise, visuals, pollution, water use. Proximity of a commercial/industrial operation to rural houses. The County has lots of EFU lands for these uses. Why de-value our RR-2 properties? Will hog farms also be allowed?

Setbacks –When conflicts occur between the residential and commercial/industrial use, setbacks will be set forth, by the planners with no public input. Will the RR-2 land be subject to setbacks? Will RR-2 neighbors repairing their houses need to be 300 feet from the grow operation, as is the case with RR-2 next to FC?

When the Benton County zoning map was adopted, owners of RR-2, FC, and EFU lands had a deal. Like it or not, all knew where the zones were. Then the County broke the deal, by implementing 300-foot FC setbacks on RR-2 land. This is a huge "taking" of the RR-2 lands by the government for the benefit of the timber owners. There is little scientific basis for such a large taking. Apparently, a huge buffer was desired around forestlands, so a 300-foot setback was imposed on *the neighboring RR-2 lands.* In a fair system, the special user would provide the land for the buffer.

Similarly, at this time, the hemp special interests out-number those RR-2 owners who are aware this was happening. I am surprised Benton County is advocating this hemp growing rule. You're supposed to be defending our zoning laws, not undermining them. RR-2 owners haven't got a special interest group. We depend on you.

Lack of Notification - We own three Benton County RR-2 properties, but weren't notified – why not? I learned about it in Benton County Concerned Citizens' letter entitled "Commercial growing of hemp and marijuana in RR zoning."

Dave Crimp

Dave Crimp

c: Benton County Concerned Citizens tnbcac@gmail.com

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Sincerely

Julie O'Briant

Julie O'Briant

As a personal note; I have nothing against marijuana or growing it. I just don't want people buying property in my neighborhood because they know they can grow commercially here!

Thank you for your Consideration.

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Benton County
Attn. Linsey Goodwin
360 SW Avery Ave
Corvallis, OR 97333

RE Commercial Growing of Hemp & Marijuana in RR zoning

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Please ensure that RR zoning is preserved in the current status.

Thank you.

Patricia A. Kelley, Owner
4045 NW Glenwood Ave.
Albany, OR 97321

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Yes, please follow existing zoning. If the County needs more agricultural land, use the re-zoning process.

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Sincerely

Donna & L. DuPuis

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Donna Kreusser
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Edward & Donna Kreusser
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Corvallis, OR 97330
541 745-3053

October 22, 2019

Dear Benton County Representatives:

This note is in reference to a motion before Benton County regarding the growing of hemp in RR zoning. We were unable to attend the last meeting discussing this topic, where we would have shared our thoughts… We do want to voice our negative opinions regarding this motion, however.

1. Speaking with farm friends on Kiger Island, they said that hemp has a very objectionable odor.
2. We live in the Lewisburg area and know of 4 people personally who have water-well problems and two of them have to tank water to their homes frequently. Additional taps into these marginal aquifers would be a great hardship.
3. Also, there would be some increase of people and machinery into our community.
4. All the above would negatively impact the quality of our neighborhood…

To our recollection, there was much more discussion encouraged a few years ago, at the last hearing about this issue. This repeat really seems like an inappropriate effort to silence any possible dissension. We are aware that 80% of Benton County is zoned to grow hemp. RR zoning consists of only 5% of the land. Why is 80% not enough?

All neighbors we have talked with agree with us. Several of us would be more than willing to take a petition around to the rest of our neighbors, if this will help air the issue more fairly.

Respectfully,
E & D. Kreusser
Edward & Donna Kreusser

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October 14, 2019

Planning Commission
360 W. Avery Av.
Corvallis, OR 97333-1139

Benton County Planning Commissioners,

I am Arden Ray, retired 509J teacher. I taught at Western View Middle School, at Lincoln Elementary School, and at Mountain View Elementary School. This spring I took part in the professionally-facilitated Marijuana and Hemp Work Group called for by the Benton County Commissioners and held at the Benton County Community Development building on Avery Ave. I learned that goal of the Commissioners is to end the prohibition of new medical marijuana grows in the rural residential zone and to see commercial, industrial, recreational marijuana and hemp spread out from the Agriculture and Forest zones and occupy the rural residential zone with Conditional Use permits.

First, it's important to recognize that in the 509J district every school but Garfield draws students from the rural residential zone. Last year Corvallis voters approved a $200 million bond measure to upgrade many security features of our school buildings throughout the district. With nearly $2 per thousand of assessment, the passage of this measure clearly indicates that the citizens of Corvallis see children's safety at school as a very high priority. I would argue that they are undoubtedly just as committed to children's safety and security in and around their homes, and that it's clear that the changes the county is advocating do not support these values. Since commercial, industrial hemp and marijuana grows need to be tended, marketed, and protected, they would, in fact, regularly draw many unknown persons into our neighborhoods. As a teacher who once managed to thwart a stranger abduction from the Mountain View playground, I know very well how quickly and easily such an ugly crime can be committed.

Therefore, I urge Planning Commission members to push back on these proposed changes. I see them as a serious threat to the health and safety of young families, local daycare children, school-age students, the elderly, and indeed everyone living in the rural residential zone. I also urge the Planning Commission to schedule meetings on the first and third Tuesdays in November so that these issues can be publicly presented, discussed, and recorded.

Arden Ray
800 NW Meadow View
Corvallis, OR 97330

WREN HILL ESTATES SUBDIVISION
PHILOMATH, OREGON

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October 6, 2019

To: Linsey Godwin, Benton Community Development Department

Subject: Commercial growing of hemp and Marijuana in RR zoning

Dear Linsey,

I'm the developer of Wren Hill Estates subdivision west of Philomath and have submitted numerous land division applications in Benton County for Rural Residential (RR) zoned land over the past 15 years. I have a fairly good understanding of the scrutiny by Benton County Planning Division and the Planning Commission of RR land division applications and the many conditions for plat approvals. In general I agree with the process and the scrutiny because it has resulted in good neighborhoods that everyone in the County can be proud of.

I believe that allowing commercial marijuana growing in those established residential neighborhoods would run counter to all of the efforts by most responsible developers and the County to build those good neighborhoods. There are many reasons for my objection to the subject proposal, but for brevity I will state the most obvious:

I have concern for the potential of theft and other criminal activities that it could bring to RR neighborhoods. Lane County Board of Commissioners banned any commercial recreational marijuana cultivation on all land outside city growth boundaries that is zoned as rural residential. The board cited concerns about the crop's odor and the crime the all-cash businesses might bring to rural areas.

Many RR neighborhoods have a significant population of young school age children. Commercial growing of a "federally declared Schedule 1 drug (same category as heroin and meth)" for profit, potentially in a child's neighbor backyard, run counter to the extensive efforts of parents to steer children away from drugs.

It's a fact that commercial marijuana growers have concerns about security at their growing sites and that results in extraordinary fencing, night lighting and cameras that are not compatible with our neighborhood ambience. The OLCC Licensing authority has enacted Oregon Administration Rules (OARs) that commercial growers must comply with. Producer Security Requirements, OAR 845-025-1470, states a producer licensee must effectively prevent public access and obscure from public view all areas of marijuana production. Specifically the OAR states: "Erecting a solid wall or fence on all exposed sides of an outdoor production area that is

at least eight (8) feet high". I do not want eight foot high fences in Wren Hill Estates and I believe the majority of my lot owners would also object.

Long term water availability is a major issue in granting land division approval for new home sites in Benton County where water wells are the only source for domestic water. In WHE we have strict conservation measures for well water use because of Benton County Code (BCC 99.800 through 99.850) requirements and because most residents agree that these conservation measures are prudent. Commercial pot growers in most RR areas will also be dependent on well water but their water extraction rates will be based on a water rights permit. By definition, water rights permits will allow withdrawal of water at a higher rate than an exempt well for domestic use only. It would be a conflict with Benton County objectives of ensuring an adequate supply of potable water for RR residents for the long term and a mockery of the Wren Hill Estates water conservation effort to apply strict water use restrictions on a homeowner while the commercial pot grower would be held to a lesser standard.

Commercial marijuana growing in Benton County is currently allowed on property zoned for EFU (farming), Forest Conservation and Industrial Zones. Allowing growing in those zones probably makes sense. Commercial growing of marijuana in residential areas does not make sense.

Proponents of this amendment to the Development Code will likely argue that RR neighborhoods can exclude Commercial pot growing by using CC&Rs. However, these commercial growers could become a powerful force that would trample community CC&Rs. Without the support of State and County government, HOA boards would be on their own battling those powerful forces in civil court. A positive outcome for the HOAs would not be very promising.

I urge the Planning Commission to reject the proposal to allow commercial marijuana growing in RR zoned areas of Benton County.

Regards,

Doug Rue
Wren Hill Development Co.
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Monroe, Or. 97456

Benton County

Attn Linsey Godwin

360 SW Avery Ave

Corvallis OR 97333

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Doug & Connie Rue
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Benton County
Attn Linsey Godwin
360 SW Avey Ave.
Corvallis, OR 97333

Dear Ms Godwin

We do not want ANY kind of marijuana or hemp gown in our rural residential area. We have lived here for over 50 years and have raised our children and grandchildren here.

We are concerned about the health risks of growing marijuana and hemp in our rural residential area. We don't want the odor, noise and increased traffic in our neighborhood. The growing and processing can cause severe headaches, asthma and other respiratory problems. Cancer survivors can be very sensitive to all the uses of insecticides and fungicides that are used in growing. That can also hurt the quality of the water, soil and air in the areas. The extra use of water can lower our table level of water and the extra use of electricity could overload our lines.

Some neighborhoods have drones, security cameras, and armed guards around the growing and processing places. People don't feel safe in those areas. This would also lower our property values.

Please do not allow any growing, producing, processing, extracting hemp and marijuana on any scale in the Rural Residential area.

Sincerely,

Bob and Carolyn Webb, 7095 NW Appaloosa, Corvallis OR 97330

Bob Webb
Carolyn Webb

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Shirley Mason

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Linsey Godwin
Benton County Planning Division
360 SW Avery Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97333

Dear Ms. Godwin:

I would like to again express my objection to allowing commercial marijuana (and hemp) production and/or processing in areas zoned for rural residential use.

If I had not read a letter to the editor in the Gazette-Times, I would not have known that this change was even being considered because there was so little information provided to residents who might be affected by it.

The reason for making such a change is a mystery to me: There is a huge surplus of marijuana in Oregon and a shortage of affordable housing in Benton County. Livability issues associated with growing and processing remain the same.

I am attaching a copy of the letter I submitted three years ago because it explains why I opposed this zoning change then and why I oppose it now.

Sincerely yours,

Shirley Mason

Shirley Mason

33198 Ada Drive
Philomath, OR 97370
November 14, 2016

Linsey Godwin
Benton County Planning Division
360 SW Avery Avenue
Corvallis, Oregon 97333

Re: Rural residential commercial marijuana production

Dear Ms. Godwin:

I strongly oppose an amendment which would allow the commercial production of marijuana in residential zones.

I have lived in my "rural residential" home for nearly 45 years. During that time, I have seen many changes in my neighborhood. The fields and oak trees behind my house became a fir plantation. I did not like the change, but I had no choice in the decision.

When I bought my house, water was abundant. But as more homes were built, the community water system failed. In order to have an adequate supply of drinking water, neighbors drilled their own wells. Now, some of those neighbors have either drilled deeper wells or must use bottled water because the water table continues to drop and the water quality continues to deteriorate. Because I worry about the future availability of groundwater, I don't like to see so many new homes being built nearby. But I have no choice in the decision.

Now, Benton County is considering whether to allow commercial marijuana production in residential zones. And I will have no choice in the decision. I do, however, appreciate the opportunity to express my opposition to the proposed change.

I oppose commercial marijuana production in rural residential zones for livability reasons. I don't want to see the water supply depleted. I don't want to smell "skunk-like" odors. And I don't want to encounter increased traffic, noise, or criminal activity. Moreover, I have always thought of my house as a home rather than as a real estate investment, but I am concerned about decreased property values. If I, a senior citizen, were forced to sell my home for health reasons, a drop in value could limit my options.

I know that the lure of additional tax revenue from the legal marijuana business may be great, but I hope that the people who make decisions also realize that the "human" cost of recreational pot is yet to be determined.

Sincerely,

Shirley A. Mason

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DEBRA WHITTED
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September 16, 2019

Benton County Community Development
360 SW Avery Ave.
Corvallis, Or
97333-1139

To Whom It May Concern,

In lieu of the digital survey regarding the new language proposal to allow Marijuana & Hemp related amendments, I am submitting this written testimony.

Thank You,

Debra Whitted

Debra Whitted

Enclosed:
Written Testimony – December 2016
Written Testimony – September 2019

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY – September 16, 2019

Debra Whitted
37230 Soap Creek Rd.
Corvallis, Or

IN OPPOSITION TO ALLOWING ANY MARIJUANA & HEMP RELATED AMENDMENTS TO BENTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CODE CHAPTER 63 "RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE". Including grand-fathering of any marijuana or hemp related enterprises.

Although I am trying to keep a professional demeanor regarding this new effort by the Benton County Community Development department to rewrite the code language to allow commercial marijuana and hemp growing and processing in Rural Residential properties in Benton County…I'm really struggling. Attached you will find a copy of the letter that I submitted in December of 2016. I am having a hard time understanding what part of my objection and that of a large part of my community was not understood, prompting a survey (and all of the costs to us taxpayers of executing it) to examine this issue…with in less than 2 years' time.

I am also perplexed that in spite of my contact information available to the county, I was not made aware that this subject was the focus of yet more inspection until I received a full-on complicated survey in my email box. I do not monitor the County Web site on a regular basis especially when a subject that was so recently examined was put to rest. I think it is unreasonable to believe that a good faith effort was made to inform those who were concerned about this subject.

Part of my due diligence in responding to the survey was to go back to look at the meeting minutes of the working committee. It appears that the facilitator was trying to direct a position to include the new language, yet it appears that the mood of the working committee was not supportive of adding conditional use permit for marijuana and hemp production and processing for Rural Residential…and "somehow" that language is now up for consideration…again perplexing when what part of NO isn't understood?

I spoke to Inga Williams last week where she stated that the issue was not the same as last time, as now it includes references to hemp…but yet it still includes the marijuana growing and processing. The issues remain the same. There is no way to monitor water usage, the smell issues involved with processing, the very aggravating bright light pollution that escapes out of the greenhouse buildings in the dark hours, and of the extreme flammability in the extracting process of marijuana and hemp products. There should be no conditional use, (nor grandfathering of any operation that is currently out there, due to the fact that they have NEVER BEEN LEGAL!) of any growing and processing of marijuana and hemp in Rural Residential Zones.

As recipients of a fire prevention grant program our Soap Creek neighborhood has been working diligently on improving our defensible spaces. We are also currently working with ODF on additional fire prevention and emergency evacuation planning. As you know ODF was so concerned about fighting fires in our area due to our close proximity to Dunn and McDonald Forests, that a few years ago they established a special fee levied for all properties contiguous to the forests. It is my understanding that extracting oil from hemp is a combustible process and should be a major consideration disallowing any advancement to growing and production. Should any of this go forward, who is going to monitor these operations for compliance? These types of commercial operations should be located in EFU properties, managed by professionals and controlled by the State.

As you will note below, I am cc'ing our Benton County Board of Commissioners, as I believe that it is important as part of their constituency I need them to know how I view this subject and that I really don't understand why we are doing this yet **again**. We have so much work to do and this subject should have never gotten to this point…**again**. I feel that tax payer dollars have been wasted…**again**.

I very strongly object to allowing ANY growing and processing of commercial marijuana and hemp in Rural Residential Zones in my Benton County. I also know that conditional use permits and grandfathering any existing commercial marijuana and hemp growing & processing facilities should **not** be issued as these activities have never been legal in our county. Please do not let this happen.

And on another note:

As I mentioned to Inga, I found the use of the "Konveio.com" survey method very onerous. It was difficult to read carefully given that the digital documents were only incrementally presented on screen, thus having to scroll and scroll and scroll…it made it difficult to reference back and forth between segments. Please do not dismiss this concern, I can only imagine how difficult navigating through the on-line survey must be for those who are not as comfortable as I am with a computer and the internet. If I was a betting person, I would bet that many citizens abandoned the digital survey due to its burdensome interactive design and navigation. I do not believe that this method promotes large scale collaboration and inclusivity. It made me very uncomfortable hence this written document.

Respectfully,

Debra Whitted

Cc:

Annabelle Jaramillo, Chair
Xan Augernot
Pat Malone

Attachment:
Written Testimony
Debra Whitted – December 2016

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Debra Whitted,
37230 Soap Creek Road, Corvallis Oregon 97330
IN OPPOSITION to LU-16-054: Marijuana-related Amendments to Development Code Chapter 63 "Rural Residential Zone".

I am a long time Oregon resident and I find the proposed amendment that would allow commercial growing of marijuana in Rural Residential Zones (RR) in Benton County to be completely unacceptable. I own and live on acreage that is designated RR. It is important for you to know that although my neighbors and my properties may be larger than our friends with in the city limits, we are still a neighborhood community. *I believe that LU 16-054 would have a profoundly detrimental effect on the character of what makes up my neighborhood*.

I know that you were made keenly aware by a vast majority of engaged citizens at the 11/02 public meeting of the many unfavorable factors that are of great concern to the majority of RR landowners in regards LU-16-054. I would like to bring your attention to how important the quality of life and well-being is to my neighbors and me. Our neighborhood should never be confused with EFU properties. Let me paint a picture of the rich heritage of community activity and support I have enjoyed since I moved to this location eleven years ago.

- For the most part, we are within close enough proximity that we can see each other's homes. We know each other's children and pets. We share our property lines generously with young children who play and learn about country living. And yet we still respect each other's privacy.
- We have a neighborhood email newsletter that allows us to communicate subjects of community interest, produce-sharing, lost pets, wandering livestock, wildlife sightings, etc.
- My husband and I walk our narrow county roads and the forest trails with our dog, where we meet and greet our neighbors with their dogs and horses.
- Our neighbors organized to gain historical status for the Soap Creek Schoolhouse and created a foundation to maintain it. This foundation sponsors our annual neighborhood picnic, as well as organizes a very well attended annual garage sale as a fund raiser. Like so many other neighborhoods, we have a very active book share box!
- We share garden tips, conservation ideas, produce abundance and in the fall we gather to press apple cider together. My husband and I have planted over 100 trees on our acreage with the goal of creating habitat for birds, bees and butterflies. We have been rewarded this summer by witnessing three pairs of the threatened Western Blue bird, nest and raise their broods. This effort to reestablish Western Blue Bird habitat has been a long standing Soap Creek Valley goal, as one can witness by the plethora of bird boxes throughout our valley.
- Our narrow, twisty country road is widely regarded as one of the best bicycling in the Corvallis area. There isn't a day go by that we don't see experienced, and not-so-experienced bicyclists peddling through our neck of the woods. Road safety is always of concern by those of us who live here.

I can only hope that I have captured for you what makes *my* Rural Residential, just that... RESIDENTIAL!

I see no benefit to our community by allowing commercial marijuana growers who have the likelihood of bringing to our neighborhood a dangerous all-cash operation. Reports out of Colorado and Washington state that they are witnessing armed guards used to protect marijuana operations. As reported in the

Eugene Register Guard (June 19, 2016) neighboring Lane County banned any commercial recreational marijuana cultivation in rural residential over concerns about the crops odor and the crime that these businesses might bring to rural areas. I have to think our law enforcement agency would have to increase their resources to manage the possibilities.

It is known that marijuana is a water thirsty plant. Water supply is always a subject of insecurity when one is reliant on an unpredictable aquifer. Each parcel has the right to irrigate a half acre…but how can the county regulate the marijuana growers' water use, especially when the plants will be inside of large buildings?

We have built a strong engaged community with our friends and neighbors. We put serious effort and often struggle living away from the comforts that city infrastructure provides. We appreciate the remarkable beauty, clean air, peace, quiet and the ability to see the stars at night without the effects of light pollution. These qualities are essential to the enrichment and appeal of our community. I can only guess the potential conflicts should commercial growers move their operations into the neighborhood.

The only answer to my concerns is to leave commercial marijuana growers to the more appropriate EFU land, where all of the unfavorable factors of its close proximity to homes and families can be mitigated.

I strongly urge you to consider how negatively allowing LU-16-054 would be to my community…***your community***. Please serve your community well by supporting the majority opinion of your constituents to **not** grant any changes to the current zoning of Rural Residential areas in Benton County that would allow for commercial farming of marijuana.

Respectfully,

Debra Whitted

plants should keep us as long as we live. Buying this house in 1980 when the entire neighborhood was residential, this was the biggest investment in our lives.

As long as those greenhouses keep taking our drinking water, shower water, cleaning water, and water for our vegetables, we are always going to have to be frugal with our water. That means not watering our orchard of 3 apple trees, 2 cherry trees, 1 pear tree, 3 fig trees, gooseberry, raspberries, grapes, 2 persimmon trees and our 27 blueberry bushes and vegetable plants. This is food for ourselves and our son's family in S. Corvallis with their 3 children. We do a lot of freezing, canning and drying these foods. Several of my precious plants died this year as we had to put our food plants as priority. NOT FAIR we should have to live so carefully constantly cutting down on water

for our showers, washing machine and dishwasher.

Our house is only 4 feet from the property line to the dirt road where workers come and go night and day. From our house to the neighbor house leased for commercial growing is only 30 ft. The warehouse is 4 ft from our shared property line, the two greenhouses about 30 ft further. With our very long rectangular-shaped property lines in this residential area, that's close quarters with only .61 acres.

When our very nice neighbors first began growing medical marijuana, they were owners and we did not realize their house and property would be rented to growers as a large cash industry. It was our mistaken assumption they were only growing for their own use. Nobody informed us of the giant 2nd greenhouse being added by the

renters. I'm told their permit was obtained after the fact.

In addition to marijuana and hemp growing for selling, hazelnut growers also take up considerable amounts of our county's rural aquifer.

Please rethink our RR zoning to make it safer for our 7 grandchildren to play and have enough water for them to run through a sprinkler.

Sincerely,

Hilary White

Robert White
4050 NE Fair Acres Dr
Corvallis, OR 97330

September 27, 2019

Benton County
Attn: Linsey Godwin
360 SW Avery Ave
Corvallis, OR 97333

Ref: Commercial growing of Hemp and Marijuana in RR zoned areas

Dear Ms Godwin,

With this letter I am declaring that I reject growing/producing/processing/extracting hemp and marijuana on any scale in RR zoned areas.

We currently are experiencing many of the negative effects of such operations. Our home is in a RR zoned area. A marijuana production facility was started next door to our home. Prior to its initiation we were assured by the producers and the County that we would experience no adverse effects. We were mislead. Since the inception:

- We have had a loss in water supply requiring us to curtail irrigating our fruit trees and garden. This summer we finally had to extend the depth of our well. Prior to the marijuana facility we had not water problems on our property
- We are exposed to unnecessary "light pollution" since the grow lights in greenhouses allow for a 24 hour operation
- Vehicular traffic associated with a commercial operation has increased (remember this is supposed to be a residential area).
- Property values have become stagnant since being next door to a marijuana facility and the associated traffic, odors, etc have introduced a negative aspect.

We moved here nearly 40 years ago to live in a quiet residential area. If we had wanted wanted to be in a commercial area we would have looked elsewhere.
Thank you for giving my comments serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert White

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Dear Benton County, Sept. 26, 2019

This letter is regarding growing, processing, and manufacturing commercial marijuana and hemp in rural residential zones.

We are opposed to having either crop in rural residential zones in Benton County — primarily because of the abuse of zoning rules to grow more marijuana.

Hemp stinks, but marijuana contributes to highway deaths and is a gateway drug to harder drugs

We are opposed to further marijuana and hemp production in Benton County rural residential zones

Thank you

Gary & Marlene Blanchard
725 SW Philomath Blvd.
Corvallis, OR 97333

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4105 N.E. Fair Acres Drive
Corvallis, OR 97330

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Ms. Linsey Godwin
Benton County
360 S.W. Avery Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97333

Re: RR zoning for hemp/marijuana grows

Dear Ms. Godwin,

We have unhappily been made aware of the fight to expand the grows of the above products.
We live in a small neighborhood outside Corvallis city limits. It has always been a quiet, pleasant place to live until a couple years ago when a neighbor built an enormous greenhouse for "medical" marijuana.

They did not have the courtesy of discussing it with any of the neighbors before hand and, as a result, have made an otherwise lovely neighborhood in to a place where it's likely we have all lost considerable value and definitely have lost enjoyment of our individual properties.

When it became obvious what they were doing and before the greenhouse was even planted, I spoke to the property owner and was assured that

1) There would be no unpleasant odors
2) There would not be excessive lighting involved
3) There would be no increase in neighborhood traffic
4) There would be <u>no loss to our shared water supply</u>

Needless to say, all of those things have happened. We, as well as other neighbors, are very angry at the wanton destruction of our neighborhood.

We are very opposed to allowing even more destruction to properties in the RR zoned areas of this county. Zoning is for the whole population not for a few people that hope to get rich off the discomfort of others.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Giles

Mary Giles

JOHN OTTO *1195 N.W. Country Hills Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330 • (541) 745-5533*

September 29, 2019

Attn: Linsey Godwin
Community Development Department
360 SW Avery Avenue
Corvallis, Oregon 97333

Regarding: Commercial growing of marijuana and/or hemp in RR zones.

Dear Ms. Godwin;

My wife, Jerri, and I would like to register and make clear our opposition to any proposed amendment that would allow individuals to grow marijuana and/or hemp commercially in RR zoned areas of Benton County. We believe the county zoning in this regard should not be changed for this purpose.

We purchased our home in a rural residential area by deliberate intent. We did not wish to live in or near a commercial or business zone. We chose this more rural part of the county to get away from the noise and activities of the city, which we both found essential to counter the stress and commotion of our work. We appreciate the relative peace and quiet and the solace of the night skies, where evening darkness and quiet are not overwhelmed by all-night lighting, activity, and traffic. A commercial grow operation would seriously impact these desirable neighborhood characteristics.

Another concern we have is water. Everyone in this area relies on wells for water. Regular residential water use already impacts the aquifer we draw from. A grow operation would take a disproportionate share of what is already a finite resource.

Roads in our neighborhood are adequate for our light residential traffic, which includes bicyclers, walkers, and joggers, many of whom are children. Commercial traffic could increase the danger to local residents. Also, we have no interest in being assessed for infrastructure improvements that could be made necessary as a consequence of zoning changes that we opposed in the first place.

There are other issues that are of concern: proximity to families and children who live, play, and attend school here; increased need for policing, security and enforcement of regulations, such as traffic, noise, odor control and waste accumulation and disposal, and others; there is already plenty of land that is zoned EFU or commercial use that is suitable for this purpose. Why disrupt neighborhoods by expanding into residential areas?

In addition to decreased livability for us and our neighbors, we have no doubt that this proposed change would negatively impact the value of our property, and over time will affect property taxes as well.

For these and other reasons, we oppose any change of zoning of the rural residential area to allow for commercial farming of marijuana and/or hemp.

The fact that this issue was considered several years ago and rejected makes me wonder why it has come up again. I believe the interests of the residents should be paramount in rural residential zoning.

Sincerely,

John Otto
Jerri Otto

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To: Benton County Commissioners

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From: Marianne Lee

September 27, 2019

KEEP OUR RURAL RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS SAFE AND HEALTHY

NO INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL MARIJUANA AND HEMP OPERATIONS IN OUR RURAL RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS

I am writing to express to you how strongly I feel (as well as at least 20+ owners/neighbors) about any changes to the RR zoning. We **ALL** strongly reject growing, producing, processing, extracting hemp and marijuana on any scale in our RR neighborhood. I am not debating the right to grow these products BUT **I am rejecting WHERE it can be grown, produced, and processed; NOT in a rural residential established neighborhood.**

As a landowner, I know the extreme risks to our property and neighborhood if any changes were to be made to the current RR zone. These include:

- **Well water**: We are all on our own wells and water is very precious to us. Excessive usage of water due to manufacturing of this product in our neighborhood will lower the water table, which it has already done on one street. Some neighbors have had to drill for a new well at their own expense. Many neighbors cannot afford to do that.
- **Well water contamination**: By-product goes into the soil and the water supply. We cannot afford to have our water contaminated.
- **Air quality**: Fans running all day and night are extracting particulates into the air that can increase damage to people with breathing and lung health issues. Very dangerous for young children and the elderly. Air born pesticides are extremely dangerous to all.
- **Air smells**: We moved to a rural neighborhood to get away from manufacturing and smells of the city/town. Hemp and marijuana emit constant smells that we do not want to breathe in for numerous health reasons. We would like to be able to be outside our homes and not smell this product 24/7.
- **Excessive Traffic**: Rural residential neighborhoods were not built to accommodate commercial traffic and business traffic. As a neighborhood we pay for the maintenance of our own roads, not the county. We are in an owner road district. This extra traffic would bring strangers and large delivery trucks to the business. We have witnessed this and it happens all times of the day and night.
- **Light:** Excessive light from the "grows" is a health hazard as it disrupts the quality of sleep for the owners in the neighborhood. Most of us purchased

homes in a rural residential neighborhood that had no streetlights purposefully. Many of us put up darkening drapes and the light is so bright that the bright light still comes through. Quality sleep is essential for all.

- **Safety:** We have a school nearby and it is not safe for children to be walking to school with these excessive smells, excessive traffic, and strangers. Even the elderly do not want to walk their dogs with many strangers in the neighborhood. We should not have to live in our neighborhood in fear.
- **Property Values:** Ask any realtor and they will tell you that property values go down when there is a "grow" happening in a rural residential neighborhood. All of us have paid county taxes for years and years and expect for you to hold up your end of the deal on maintaining the current zoning. These are very special neighborhoods to raise families and support neighbors of all ages. Do NOT ruin our rural residential neighborhoods for you own economic gain. You should be helping us to enforce what is in place, not changing things to make it worse for your residents in these neighborhoods that have paid taxes for many, many years.

So why would you want to change the zoning to conditional use? I have researched this and found no answer except for revenue increase for Benton County. Are you really willing to forever change the health and safety of rural residential neighborhoods solely for your economic gain? That is very selfish and wrong.

If you want to help these growing operations, direct them to areas in the county that are fit for such operations that will have minimal impact on other residents health and lifestyles.

I am actually outraged that you would jeopardize the 5% of Benton County that is zoned as Rural Residential. Think this through. Respect your loyal residents of Benton County, not the big money representing the marijuana/hemp industry.

If you took a vote on what you are proposing, I know from our rural residential neighborhood (and all other RR neighborhoods), you would NOT even be close to an agreement that this is a good idea. Not all of us could attend the "round-table" discussion, as that event wasn't well publicized.

Do not let GREED get in your way on this decision. Your proposal is a BAD idea.

PRESERVE RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONING IN THE CURRENT STATUS.

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Benton County
Attn Linsey Godwin
360 SW Avery Ave
Corvallis OR 97333

To whom it may concern:

I recently received a letter stating that Benton County was wanting to allow industrial/commercial marijuana and hemp production in rural residential neighborhoods. I wanted to let you know what concerns I have about this. I normally do not speak my opinions on what my neighbors do with their property unless it involves others quality of life. I have lived in my house for over 28 years now. I have been in my house long before the organic farmer rented the property across the road or the seed farmer moved in next door. For the past year I have had to deal with the terrible smells coming from these farms. The smell is so bad that I cannot have my doors or windows open. It makes you sick to your stomach and gives you a headache. The skunk smell is present 24 hours a day seven days a week. I also must deal with an overabundance of flies drawn to the foul odor. This is not how I should have to live my life on my own property. I should be able to enjoy being outside in my yard. Oregon is a beautiful place to live, but not when the smell is so bad that I cannot enjoy this wonderful state. The minute you cross the bridge to Fern Road the smell is so bad. On rainy days it not to bad but come a nice sunny summer day and it is disgusting. This could not be healthy for my neighbors and myself to be breathing in. Why risk our health and lives for the almighty dollar? Not everyone enjoys how these cannabis plants smell and I have a right to live in clean fresh air. This does not just affect the person wanting to grow these plants. Its effects my quality of life to. This product does not come without a cost. Its smelly!!!!!!!!

Thank you,

Nancy Neuman + Vicki Neuman

Nancy and Vicki Neuman
25204 Aurora Lane
Philomath, OR 97370

September 30, 2019

Dear Ms. Godwin,

I am writing in response to the County allowing Industrial/Commercial Marijuana and Hemp production in the Rural Residential zone as a conditional use. I couldn't be more opposed as this is entirely unnecessary given the aforementioned practice is already allowed as an outright use in the EFU, Forest and Industrial zones. Further; this question was already asked and answered, correctly, 33 months ago when the Benton County Commissioners made the decision to not amend the code to allow recreational marijuana to be grown in the Rural Residential zone. (See attached decision.)

As a resident of the Rural Residential zone, my concerns are mainly centered on the following:

Many areas zoned rural residential have low producing wells and would be negatively affected by the high production water demands of Ind/Comm Marijuana and Hemp production.

Indoor commercial cannabis production can be a 24 hour operation and the noise and light generated in the night is unacceptable in a quiet, rural setting.

The odor produced by hemp and cannabis production is extremely offensive to many people. As a real estate broker I've seen, firsthand, how off putting it is to potential buyers and have had sellers suffer a loss of value in their property from a grow operation next door or even in the area . They don't call it "skunk weed" because it has a lavender like scent. An outside grow area can cause serious damage to the air quality of an entire neighborhood.

To be candid, the request to expand Industrial/Commercial Marijuana and Hemp Production into the Rural Residential zone is being put forth by some folks who want nothing more than to get on board the " Let's Get Rich Quick Cannabis Train" and have no concern whatsoever as to the damage their activities will do the neighboring properties. The protections set forth by the existing zoning regulations currently in place should remain in place and the Benton County Planning Department should enforce those regulations for our protection and should not be putting us in harms way by finding a way to make it easier for those who would do us harm to be successful.

Sincerely,

Frank Gast

Frank Gast – Broker
Licensed in the State of Oregon

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
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December 7, 2016

Dear Interested Parties:

Benton County is no longer considering allowing owners of rural-residential-zoned land to grow marijuana for the recreational market. The Board of County Commissioners, at their December 6 meeting, directed staff to not proceed with amendments to the Development Code in this matter. A previously scheduled public meeting for December 8 will still be held, but primarily for the purposes of announcing that the County is no longer considering these code amendments.

The County's decision was based in part on these factors:

- ☐ Given the relatively small amount of support voiced for allowing growing in rural residential zones, it was unclear that proceeding with the code amendment process would serve the public interest.
- ☐ The upcoming state legislative session is likely to make further changes to the laws regarding marijuana production.
- ☐ A large number of rural residents raised a variety of concerns. Many of these concerns could likely be addressed through carefully designed code language; however, some concerns might be unresolvable.

Results and Next Steps Meeting, Thursday, December 8th, 2016 / 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. in the Main Meeting Room, Benton County Sunset Building, 4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis. The purpose of this meeting is to convey that no code amendments will be made to the Rural Residential zone at this time.

Frequently Asked Questions:

What was the County considering?

During the Listening Tour in March 2016 the Benton County Planning Division received community-member requests to amend our development code to allow recreational cannabis/marijuana growing operations in the Rural Residential Zone. As a result, the Planning Division began an outreach effort to explore this topic in September 2016, which has now come to a close.

Who is the North Benton Citizens Advisory Committee?

The County has five Citizens Advisory Committees (CACs) that can be activated by the Board of Commissioners if enough people in a portion of the county are willing to convene and maintain a broadly representative committee. At this time the Alsea CAC, Wren CAC, and South Benton CAC are currently officially active.

You may have received a letter from a group identifying itself as the "North Benton Citizens Advisory Committee" before the Thanksgiving Holiday. This letter asked you to mail in a form letter stating your opposition to the possible rezoning of the Rural Residential Zone to allow commercial production of marijuana. While the County has been actively seeking public input on this topic, you should know this group is not affiliated with Benton County and is not an officially sanctioned Citizens Advisory Committee. County staff is working with the writers of the letter to assist them in the process of re-activating a broadly representative Citizens Advisory Committee. If you have additional questions please contact our office at 541-766-6819.

Could code amendments be considered in the future?

Given the uncharted regulatory territory the state is exploring, each legislative session brings new rules and new direction on the County's role regarding regulating the marijuana industry. In the future, if mandated by the state or if a clear need is expressed, the Board of Commissioners will consider code amendments. Public hearings are a required and standard part of any code amendment process.

How is the development code amended?

The County Board of Commissioners may initiate an amendment to the Development Code. The Planning Commission may also initiate a code amendment, if the concept is subsequently approved by the Board of Commissioners. Staff creates a rough draft of the proposed code amendments and typically holds work sessions with both the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners to review and discuss the proposed amendments before the public hearings. Any testimony received from the public is included in the staff report mailed to the Planning Commissioners prior to the hearing. A public hearing is held before the Planning Commission. Written public testimony is given to the Planning Commission prior to the public hearing, and an opportunity for verbal testimony is provided during the public hearing. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission makes a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners to approve, deny, or modify the proposed text amendment. A second public hearing with opportunity for public comment is held by the Board of County Commissioners. The Board then makes a decision to accept, reject, or modify the proposed text amendment in whole or in part.

Sincerely,

Linsey Godwin
Associate Planner, Project Contact
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(541) 766-6819

September 27, 2019

Benton County
360 SW Avery Ave.
Corvallis, OR 97333
Attn: Linsey Godwin

Re: Commercial growing of hemp and marijuana in RR zoning

Dear Ms. Godwin,

With this letter we are strongly rejecting the growing/producing/processing/extracting of hemp and marijuana on ANY scale in RR zoning. We live in the Ridgewood Road District off Oak Creek Road and are extremely concerned about our water levels as well as water contamination of the Oak Creek water shed. As you are aware, both indoor and outdoor growing operations involve significant water usage that will draw down our water source. The pesticide application to these plants will contaminate our ONLY drinking water source.

We do not want industrial marijuana and hemp operations in our residential neighborhoods. The zoning laws should be there to defend us. Please ensure that our water remains safe and free from pesticides.

Sincerely,

Gloria Wong
David Heck

Gloria Wong and David Heck
7890 NW Ridgewood Drive
Corvallis, OR 97330

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Benton County
Attn: Linsey Godwin
360 Avery Ave
Corvallis, OR 97333

Re> Commercial growing of hemp and marijuana in RR zoning

Dear Ms. Godwin and others considering this issue:

We have been residents of Corvallis in the rural area of Lewisburg for 40 years. In that time we have noted slow changes . We believe land zoning laws have been quite effective in maintaining the kind of mixed uses that have worked well in our county and state.

HOWEVER, we are completely opposed to growing/producing/processing or extracting hemp and marijuana for commercial purposes in rural zones. This is a very different proposal than one which allows growing for strictly personal uses.

We asks that rural zoning continues to preserve these lands for the mix of traditional agricultural and residential uses. We see no compelling reason beyond county permit revenue for altering the intended purposes of the RR zoning. Please do not jeopardize the values these lands have to current (or future) land owners.

Sincerely,

Judith Li
1228 nw Overlook Drive
Corvallis, OR

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Benton County Community Development Dept.
ATTN.: Linsey Godwin, Associate Planner
360 SW Avery Ave.
Corvallis, OR 97330-1139

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Re: Proposed code amendments allowing commercial hemp and marijuana in areas zoned Rural Residential

Dear Ms. Godwin:

We are very concerned about the proposed code amendments to allow industrial/commercial pot operations in our neighborhoods. We moved here to experience peace and quiet, and have enjoyed getting to know our neighbors. Pot and hemp grows will irreparably interfere with the uses, character, and purpose of the Rural Residential zone that are inherent in its name. We see no compelling reason for the county to justify these changes.

Further, the weakened codes will expose us to harassment and potential litigation from disgruntled growers, should we deny our agreement to their operations. The other effects of commercial pot operations (light, sound and odor pollution; dry aquifers; risk to our personal safety; decreased property values) are well known and have been commented upon by many more eloquent than we. That residents are again having to point out these facts to the county, three years after an extensive public process that ended in the prohibition of what you are now trying to permit, is discouraging, and proves Chesterton's assertion that truth is, in fact, stranger than fiction.

The motto of Benton County is "At Your Service Every Day." County zoning laws should be in place to defend us, whose property taxes pay county employees' salaries. **We should not have to defend our zoning laws!** We fail to see how the county is "serving" our neighborhoods by encouraging what is in essence a hostile takeover by drug lords.

Sincerely,

Concerned Citizens of Benton County
Corvallis, OR 97330

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Attn Linsey Godwin

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Dear Ms Godwin,

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The purpose of land zoning is to ensure predictable and acceptable land use and to preserve the value of land tied to those purposes.

The expressed purpose of RR zoning is to provide areas where rural residential lifestyles can occur outside recognized urban areas without conflicting with agriculture and forestry uses.

By contrast, the expressed purpose of the EFU zone is to protect lands suitable for commercial agriculture and free of conflicting non-farm uses.

No compelling reason beyond county permit revenue has been offered to justify altering the intended purpose of the RR zone or jeopardize the lifestyle and property values of current owners.

Please ensure that RR zoning is preserved in the current status.

Sincerely

Joe Dula
25803 Foster Rd.
Monroe, OR 97456
541-602-4300

Please see reverse

Due to current Benton County policy my neighbors and I must pay out of pocket, in addition to property Taxes, dust mitigation expenses every year. Marijuana and associated production activities will increase road usage and produce more dust and degrade our gravel roads. This will negatively effect the health and well-being of residents and others (USPS workers, for example) who depend on road usage. If you would be as concerned with the health of the citizens as Benton County is with Climat Change and other elements of the environment it would be appreciated. Indeed, there are numerous other unintended consequences that you may have overlooked.

T. Dela

September 26, 2019

Benton County Community Development
Attention: Linsey Godwin
360 SW Avery Ave
Corvallis, OR 97333

In regards to the Commercial Growing of Hemp and Marijuana in Rural Residential Zoning

We are adamantly against growing/producing/selling/processing/extracting hemp and marijuana on any scale or form in rural residential zoning.

Purpose of rural residential zoning is to provide areas where rural residential lifestyles can occur without conflicting with agriculture and forestry uses. There has been a lot of problems throughout the years with commercial activities colliding with residents of cities and rural residential areas, such as dairies, field burning, nearby industrial smells, etc. yet none of them hold a candle to hemp and marijuana production, processing, extracting, etc.

Reasons why we are against marijuana and hemp growing/producing/processing/extracting/selling in the rural residential zone.

1. Devalues property.
2. Has an awful stench of a smell.
3. Will cause more crime. Growers are aware of this or they would not be guarding, lighting, barbed wire fencing their grows.
4. Detrimental to neighborhood children. There are laws protecting our children by prohibiting certain business activity around schools. Why would anyone allow marijuana/hemp operations into our neighborhoods where children ride bikes and play?
5. Creates neighborhood problems, traffic, safety, etc.

We cannot imagine why we have to defend the zoning laws to ensure predictable and acceptable land use and to preserve the value of land tied to those purposes. Growing can take place in EFU, Industrial, Forest Zonings.

Please ensure that the value and quality of rural residential zoning is preserved by not allowing commercial growing of hemp and marijuana in any form or scale in rural residential zone.

Allen Roberts
Janice Roberts

Allen & Janice Roberts
3235 NW Countryman Circle
Albany, OR 97321

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Sincerely Richard C and Liza A Wilson
7400 N.E Avalon Drive.
Corvallis, Oregon 97330.

We are very much against this. We are concerned with property devaluation & sales, water issues as most of us are on wells. Odor - just drive by the old Marys River Lumber yard and you can smell the skunk like odor if you were to mark off 1000 ft all the way around Mt View School - look at how many people could grow M.J. around it. We - the state & county - cant controll it now so why enlarge the area except for monitary gain for the county →

There is plenty of ground to grow these crops outside of rural residential areas.

By the way - I have 2 friends that were not notified of this plan that live in RR1 and we knew nothing of the meeting several month ago with a mediator to build "consensus".

Also - who are the people behind this initiative who are the growers and industry representitives you have my name, in the interest of transparency - how about listing these names.

How many of our county commissioners live in rural residential districts? Like last time do they get the final say.

This whole idea feels like a railroad job by the county. Rural residential owners are small in number and the county always needs more money so lets get into the MJ & hemp industry!

DAW.

9/27/19

TO: Linsey Godwin
Benton Co. Community Development

From: Peter Jeanette Scott

My wife and I are strongly opposed to allowing commercial marijuana/hemp farming in rural residential zoned areas of the county.

We have lived in such an area for over 40 years and feel that such operations are incompatible with the character of such neighborhoods.

Such activities belong on EFU zoned land.

Thank you for considering the views of local citizens who live in rural Benton County

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September 26, 2019
Benton County
Attn: Linsey Godwin
Corvallis, OR 97333

Dear Ms Godwin:

It has come to my attention that Benton County is again to modify zoning regulations that will permit the growing, production, processing and extraction of hemp and marijuana for commercial purposes in R R zoning. As a R R homeowner I want to strenuously object to such a change. I do not property values in my neighborhood to diminish because of hemp and marijuana operations, ugly structures, more traffic, and ground water loss due to irrigation of these commodities..

After reading the minutes from the code review process I feel the residents of R R zones were underrepresented and the "majority" consensus is not valid. Zoning change should not occur. There is lots of room in EFU zones to pursue growth of hemp and marijuana.

I'm certainly not an expert on land use zoning, but it seems to me that commercial marijuana and hemp growing is not within the meaning of Benton County code:

63.010 Application. The Rural Residential Zone shall apply to areas outside urban areas <u>on land generally unsuitable for resource use</u>, or which are otherwise developed, committed to, or needed for rural residential use, subject to land capabilities to support residential use based on the carrying capacity of the land for water, sewage, roads, and natural hazards, etc. [Ord 26, Ord 90-0069]

(Underlining added by me.)

The process did not stress any reason that compelled change. I find no reason to proceed.

Jerry Friesen
3316 Countryman Circle NW
Albany, OR 97321

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Ref: Commercial growing of hemp and marijuana in RR Zoning.

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Please protect the value and stability of our RR areas by preserving the current zoning status.

Respectfully,
Registered voters Glenn and Julie Sundvall
25383 Hwy 99W
Monroe, Oregon
97456

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6855 NW Cardinal Dr.
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Cheryl A.B. Frey Cheryl A.B. Frey

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Richard W. Ewing
Georgia S. Ewing

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Jim & Alison Bryant
3965 NW Alder Ave
Albany, OR 97321

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Sincerely Hasso and Kathy Hering
3668 Terrace Dr. NW
Albany, OR 97321

This obviously is a form letter, but we agree that commercial pot or hemp cultivation or production has no place in any residential zone. We hope Benton County will not allow this.

Hasso.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY – October, 3, 2019

Debra Whitted
37230 Soap Creek Rd.
Corvallis, Or

Hard Copy of email sent to Inga Williams on October 3, 2019: In response to Benton County Email "Supplemental Explanation" received October 2, 2019

I received your email that included the "Supplemental Explanation" regarding proposed hemp and marijuana code amendments. It became clear that you have failed to understand the message that I and a large majority of my Rural Residential neighbors have delivered. It was true in December of 2016 and it is true now that we strongly oppose the growing, production, or any related processing of marijuana and hemp ("since the impacts to adjacent residential uses from this crop are similar to those experience through marijuana") in Rural Residential Zones…period.

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1. You want to "grandfather" permitted uses that were never granted because they were never permitted
2. You want to allow recreational marijuana growing, production, and processing under a Conditional Use Permit (CUP)
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Mr. + Mrs. Jack A. Carlozzi
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We should use EFU zoned land for what it is for farming to produce food to feed the 7 billion people we have presently with an additional 1 billion in 25 more yrs.

Too many people are thinking of the all mighty dollars instead of helping his fellow man. God won't be impressed with how much money one has accumalated but might look more favorable towards helping each other feeding the world with the resources HE has given us.

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384 NW Calloway Dr
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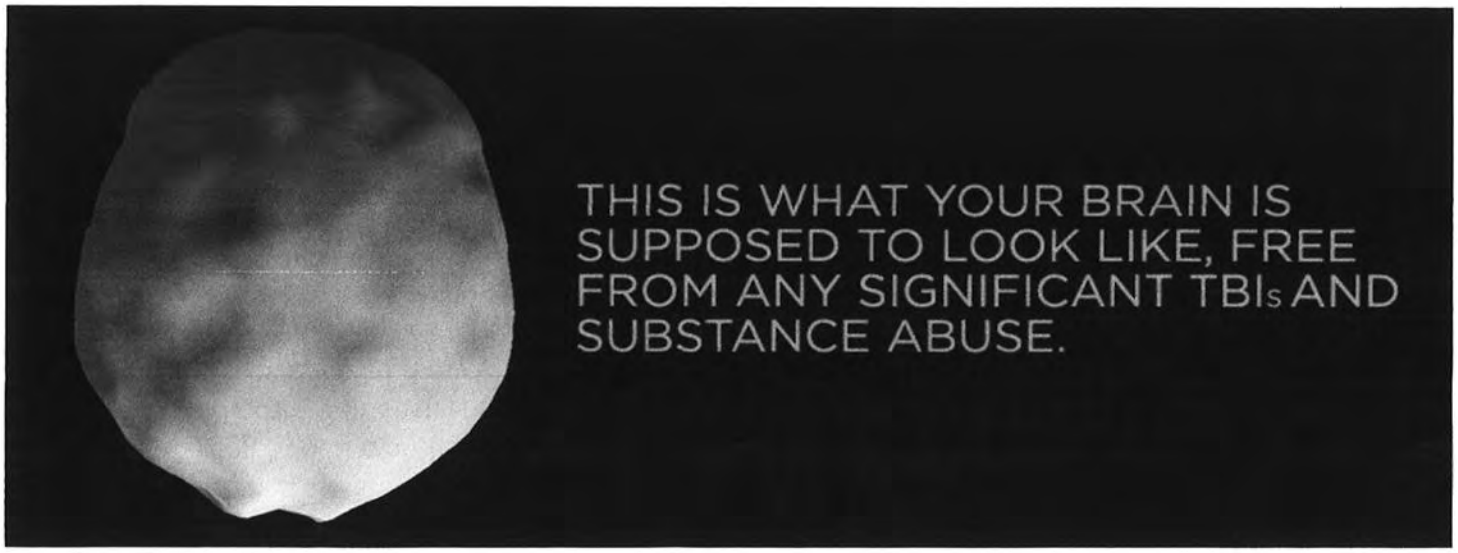
To Whom It May Concern.

This is my testimony. The message I wish to convey is simple. Although the public has spoken and elected to legalize marijuana usage, that does not mean it is good for our health and the health of our children. I do not believe that Benton County should be an enabler by encouraging the growth and manufacture of large quantities of this substance, a drug that research has shown to adversely affect the brain.

I grew up in the 60's and 70's in the San Francisco Bay Area, during the "hippie" era. I was surrounded by drugs of all sorts, including lots of marijuana. I witnessed numerous friends become severely addicted to drugs, relatives & friends die/almost die of overdoses. I had other friends who permanently destroyed their brains to the point that they ended up in mental institutions and unable to learn or be a productive member of society. It was all fun and games in my teens, but by my twenties, I grew up and concluded it was something I did not want to associate with, and I definitely did not want my children to be exposed to drug abuse on a daily basis. I chose to leave the Bay Area, with a conviction that my children would not feel like an outsider if they chose not to partake in drug/alcohol abuse. I moved my children to Benton County to give them the unburdened childhood they deserved. I am proud to say that they are all college educated professionals that do not take drugs, legal or illegal.

Marijuana is a drug that does affect the brain. Period. It is a legal drug now that does affect the brain. Over the past 27 years Daniel Amen, of the Amen Clinics, has performed and studied ~100,000 brain SPECT scans on individuals ranging from 9 months to 101 years. Amen Clinics evaluates the blood flow and activity patterns in the brain. SPECT scans demonstrate the abnormalities created in the brain specifically from marijuana abuse. These abnormalities/damage show up in areas affecting behavior, the bilateral temporal lobes and prefrontal cortex. The brain has a toxic look to it when compared to a healthy brain...less brain activity, more shriveled, a rough "sea-like" appearance, and less healthy overall. It is comparable to the brains of individuals exposed to toxic fumes or those who have had oxygen deprivation. Alternately, healthy brains show smooth activity across the cortical surface.

A picture is worth a thousand words. Following is first a picture of a healthy brain, followed by a picture of a 28 year old individual who has smoked pot mostly on weekends for 10 years.



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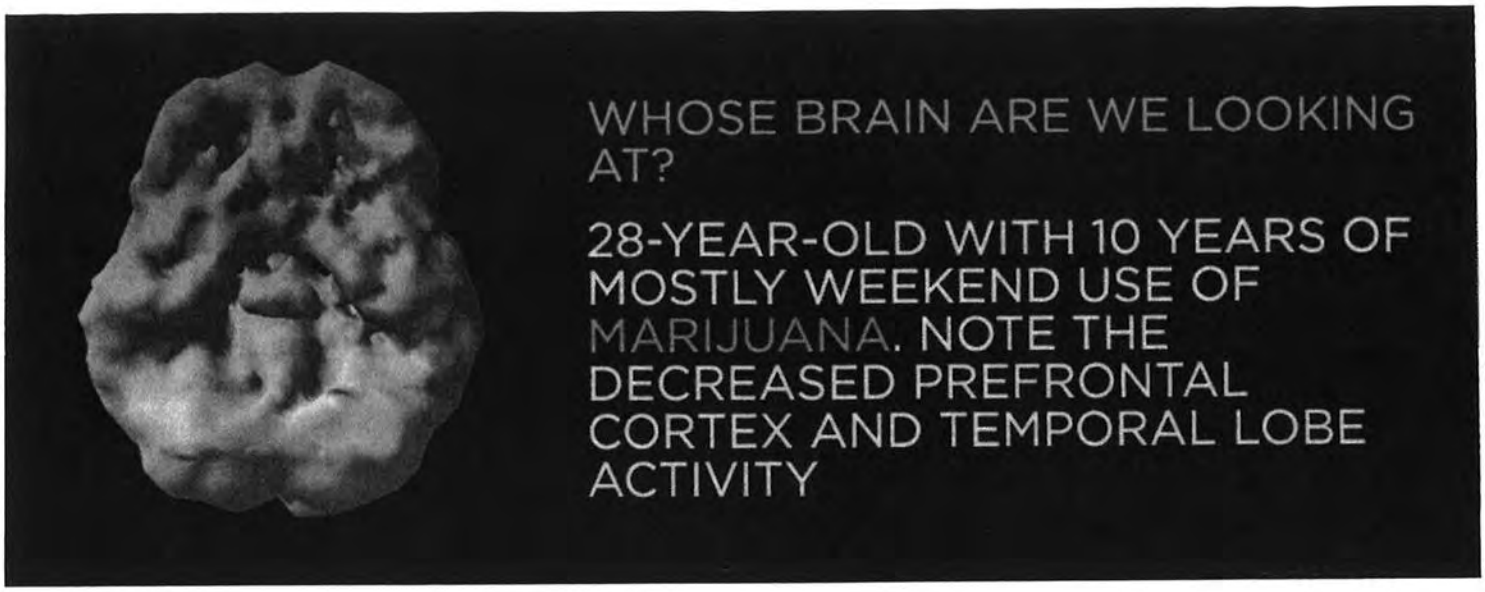

In conclusion, is this what Benton County wants to support and enable? Just because pot usage is legal does not mean we should have large quantities produced in our neighborhoods, readily available for consumption and easy access by our youth. Is this the kind of brain we want our children to develop? I moved to Benton County and my neighborhood for the high standards and excellent quality of life and values. I do not wish to be an enabler of a destructive substance. Please do not enable the growth and production of marijuana in large quantities in Benton County, just because it is legal.

Thank you.

Shawn Barrett

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Monroe Oregon
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1820 NE Vine Ave
Corvallis, OR 97330

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Scott Perkins

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Our family is AGAINST the proposed zoning code changes that would allow commercial production of cannabis and hemp in rural residential neighborhoods. Allowing commercial production of cannabis and hemp in our RR neighborhoods would negatively impact the value of individual properties located near processing areas and damage quality of life for many property owners and their families. The very definition of "residential" is quite clear:

res·i·den·tial
adjective
-designed for people to live in.
-occupied by private houses.

We have heard zero reasoning that can justify allowing commercial cannabis and hemp production in RR neighborhoods that would directly harm resident's property values and lifestyle.

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Mary & Jeff Clement-Hill

7501 NW Rhoda Way, Corvallis

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Gina Remington

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Thank you!

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Clifford D. Vaughn

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4254 NW Scenic Dr, Albany 97321

Linda Griffis

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Millicent A. Burton Funk — Millicent A. Burton - Funk

Kenneth H. Funk II — Kenneth H. Funk II

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We just arrived back from vacation, so did not receive your information until today.

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Roger Johnson

Diana R. Johnson

We live a little over half mile from the Hill family & can smell the stink of the marijuana plants. Our subdivision has our own water system some of our wells are in the low land south of Scenic Drive. Do not let this go & become a drug starting business.

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Bob Ulrich
37706 Gowen Rd.
Corvallis, OR 97330

P.S. I have had some bad family experience with Marijuana. I do not want growers anywhere near me!

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Fernando Henriques

Katy Trautman

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6885 NW Concord Drive
Corvallis, OR 97330-9563

Dear Linsey —
We thought this idea was put to bed about 2 years ago when we gathered for a meeting. Please help us protect Vineyard mountain for future generations. Thank you

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Benton County Concerned Citizens

7275 NE Avalon Dr

Corvallis OR 97330

Dear fellow Rural Resident,

3 years ago we contacted you to prevent Benton County from allowing commercial Marijuana production in rural residential zoning. You came out in great numbers, voicing your opposition, which ultimately resulted in the county's decision to prohibit commercial marijuana growing operations in our neighborhoods.

Now the county wants to allow **INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL MARIJUANA AND HEMP** production in rural residential neighborhoods.

If you are with us, please submit your public comments:

1) To Benton County Community Development, 360 SW Avery Avenue, Corvallis, OR 97333
2) At bentoncogov.konveio.com, a website the county is using to solicit input

You can also sign and send in the attached sample letter to Benton County or send your own letter. The opportunity to submit public comment ends on September 30th at 5 pm.

The public meeting after the response time is taking place on

Wednesday Oct 9th, 5:30pm,

Sunset Building on 4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis

THIS IS A TICKETED EVENT! YOU CAN REGISTER HERE:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/benton-county-code-amendment-public-workshop-tickets-72741484739

Here is more background information:

Several months ago, the county invited us to participate in a "round table" discussion with a professional mediator to come to a "consensus". The majority of participants in this discussion were growers and representatives in the marijuana/hemp industry. Those of us living in rural residential zones were in the clear minority.

The professional mediator and county staff concluded that the "majority consensus" was to allow commercial marijuana/hemp operations in rural residential zones with a conditional use permit, which is obtained by a property owner applying to and receiving approval from the county to use his/her land in ways not permitted with current zoning laws. It is our opinion that if neighbors deny the agreement to this permit we are opening ourselves up to lawsuits by growers as we are

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L D LaFleur

I will be in my home 40 years 1/20
I have multiple health issues as stated before
I would have to move out of my beloved home
if this zoning is changed. I can't be near or
close to any of these items in any way, shape, or
form.

Ms. Linda LaFleur
3955 NW Ridgecrest Ave.
Albany, OR 97321

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Donna K. Christopher

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7575 NW McDonald Place
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Homeowners in Benton County
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Margaret L. Ren
2555 NE Seavy Circle
Corvallis, OR 97330

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Sept, 26, 2019

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Subject: Commercially growing Marijuana and Hemp in RR zoning-- **OPPOSSED**

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In addition to the land values going down, other equally concerning negative impacts most surely will occur. The adjacent grow operations could run wells dry, contaminate our wells, or create light, sound, and odor pollution, not to mention the riff raft which would be in the rural neighborhoods.

As you know, there are not sufficient law enforcement funds to protect the citizens in rural areas when these negative impacts will surely occur.

Rather than allowing these ideas to slip in and take over our established zoning, we OREGONIANS and particularly us living in Benton County must fight back to keep our established zoning laws, which protect the lives of those living in the rural setting.

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For the sake of the tax payers enjoying the rural beauties of this county, do not ruin it and spoil it or jeopardize the lifestyle and property values of current owners.

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Sincerely,

Daniel and Debra Wolverton

24640 Territorial Hwy

Monroe, OR 97456

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(Michele Gorzda)

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6353 NW MT VIEW DR. Corvallis

we are concerned about our ground water.

K & D K

Deborah R Kern

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8320 NW MITCHELL DR
CORVALLIS, OR 97330

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Corvallis, OR 97330
541-745-5032

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Kyei-sing Kwong & Cheng-chi Kwong

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521 N.W. Calloway Dr.
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David S Cogan

Angela Cassanini

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November 28, 2016

Diana Lee Myers
8874 NW Chaparral Dr.
Corvallis, OR 97330

Linsey Godwin
Associate Planner
Benton County Community Development Dept.
360 S Avery Ave.
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Dear Linsey Godwin,

I would like to express my dismay at the idea of agricultural growing of any kind allowed in Rural Residential Zoned areas. When I look at the map of Benton County on your web site the rural residential is but a small portion of the county. I can only assume that a push to change the current zoning restrictions is coming from people who live in the rural residential area and want to be able to put in an acre of commercial marijuana. I live in the Chinook Road District which is homes on 5 acres. If even one or two of the 70 some homes here put in an acre of marijuana our neighborhood would be exposed to the problems listed on your website.
Identified Concerns:
Odor
Water use
Pesticide and other chemical runoff
Property values
Traffic, dust, road wear and tear
Electricity use
Strangers/crime
Proximity to children and schools
Waste management/composting
Aesthetics
OLCC's & Benton County's ability to enforce rules
Noise (from fans, generators, etc
Source: Comments received from members of the public March 2016 through September 2016.

Surely, the desire of some to grow marijuana in a rural residential zone should not outweigh the problems that would cause for their neighbors!

Thank you for considering my thoughts.

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Sincerely Barbara Spreadbury.

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Thanks for your consideration of my comments,

MARY AUSTIN

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