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To Whom It May Concern,

On the matter of the permit for wholesale Cannabis storage, packaging and distribution at the building located at 17975 N Hwy. 1 and Tregoning Dr.

My name is Rena M. Kinney and I am an established resident born in Fort Bragg, and though I didn't always live here I moved back over two decades ago to my family property on Tregoning drive which has been owned by our family since 1970. I am opposed to this permit for several reasons.

There is a busy campground, Pomo Campground which sits above my property and generates quite a bit of traffic with large vehicles. In the past at 17975 N Hwy 1, there has been a plant nursery and landscaping business which has now morphed into a Cannabis product distribution/dispensary center as a retail location. Note there is again **another** Cannabis dispensary two doors south of this business, which seems to be too much in the same area. The traffic between the campground (which has been established for years) and this new business is much more than most realize.

Ever since the location changed to Cannabis, the open hours are long and the traffic has increased 20 fold. People pulling in and out all hours and because the driveway is not accessible from the highway, people dart in and out from the highway onto Tregoning further crowding the road, making unsafe turns and maneuvers. Also as an ICU RN working 12 hour shifts I have had to purchase a locked mailbox since many items and mail have been stolen after this business became established as well as people hanging around at night and in the morning in the location, often I will bypass the mailbox rather than risk safety around unfamiliar people and vehicles coming home from work at a later hour. There are currently always bright glaring lights and noise from this business I can see and hear at my property down the road into the night. Not looking for any additional increased issues with a commercial operation.

A wholesale distribution center would add more people, more traffic, commercial vehicles accessing that crowded area of Tregoning as well as being a large magnet for theft and robbery. There is already too much of this type of business in this area of unincorporated Fort Bragg, with very little support available from local law enforcement due to staffing. My neighbor has located and removed people camping in the brush around the area and I think this type of business will increase that type of unwanted activity.

In short I ask you to understand there are already issues with the current occupant and there are already other Cannabis dispensaries literally next door to this one. How many are appropriate for the same space and when do we limit these types of businesses sitting back to back.

Thank you for your time and attention to my letter and this issue. Hoping you consider such things as increased water usage, traffic, congestion, noise, visual disturbances and unwanted elements with this type of business.

Sincerely, Rena M. Kinney