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Hello,

My name is Jay Scherf, and I am submitting a brief written public comment ahead of today's planning commission meeting. I had meant to draft a longer letter, but the deadline is upon me. I spent the first 20 years of my life in the Mark West Creek watershed and care about it very much. I am opposed to the current ordinance as drafted on the following principles:

- The county does not have time to meaningfully engage with public comment (my letter being a case in point).
- The county should consider a full EIR for such an impactful plan, so that all residents concerns can be addressed
- Sonoma County's watersheds are at a critical juncture - they contain large amounts of intact quality riparian habitat for numerous species, and they have also been heavily impacted by development in the last 200 years (but especially the last 50). An improperly considered cannabis ordinance could push our rivers past the point of no return. This issue needs to be more thoroughly considered.

Thank you,

Jay

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