



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO
ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Humboldt, as Lead Agency, in accordance with the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (finding of no significant adverse environmental effect) on the project described below. **This notification is to advise you that the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department will receive public comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration from April 9, 2021 to May 10, 2021.**

PROJECT TITLE: Blocksburg Family Farms, LLC; APNs: 217-471-001; Record Number: PLN-12265-CUP.

APPLICANT: Blocksburg Family Farms, LLC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Conditional Use Permit for six acres of new outdoor cultivation and 16,800 sf of existing outdoor cannabis on a parcel approximately 1,221 acres in size. Three acres of new would be grown using light deprivation techniques, with two harvests per year; three acres would be grown full sun with one harvest per year. The project has been broken into phases. In Phase I, the applicant would cultivate 60,360 sf full-term outdoor. In Phase II the applicant would cultivate the full amount of 278,160 sf outdoor cultivation. In Phase III the applicant would complete the solar installation and complete all operational improvements. All new cultivation would occur on approximately 16% of the prime agricultural soils on the parcel. The project includes a Special Permit for restoration activities within the Streamside Management Area (SMA). The project includes the relocation of 16,800 sf of cultivation out of an SMA. In Phase I, irrigation demand would be approximately 658,658 gallons per year. In Phase II & III, irrigation demand would be approximately 3,090,326 gallons per year. Water would be provided by an onsite well and one 1,000,000-gallon rainwater catchment tank. The project includes 6,000 sf of ancillary nursery space. Processing would occur onsite in a proposed 7,200 sf multi-use building, occupying the footprint of a burned down, pre-existing barn. Power would be provided principally by a generator for Phase I and Phase II. By Phase III, a solar array would provide the power, with generators retained for backup use only. Phase I of the project would require approximately six employees. Phase II & III would require a maximum of twenty-five employees.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located in the Blocksburg area, on the east side of Alderpoint Road, approximately 2.65 due north from Blocksburg proper, on the property known to be in the west half of the west half of Section 4, Township 02 South, Range 05 East.

ADDRESS WHERE COPIES OF THE PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND INITIAL STUDY ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AND WHERE COMMENTS MAY BE MAILED:

**Humboldt County Planning and Building Department
3015 H Street
Eureka, CA 95501**

The project and the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be considered by the Humboldt County Planning Commission at a future public hearing. A separate notice for this hearing will be provided pursuant to Humboldt County Code 312-8 et seq.

Specific questions regarding the proposed project and the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration may be directed to Desmond Johnston at (707) 441-2622 or djohnston@co.humboldt.ca.us.

April 9, 2021