



Planning and Development Department
LONG RANGE PLANNING DIVISION



ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING MEETING
Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and
Licensing Program
June 26, 2017



Environmental Scoping Meeting

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- **Receive comments on the scope and content of the environmental issues to be addressed in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR)**

- **Please focus comments on:**
 - ▣ Potential significant environmental impacts
 - ▣ Potential mitigation measures
 - ▣ Potential alternatives which can avoid, reduce, or minimize project impacts
 - ▣ Methodology for analyzing impacts
 - ▣ Draft ordinance language



Tonight's Meeting

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- **Beginning of the Environmental Review Process**
- **Not a decision-maker hearing**
- **No voting on any part of the project**
- **Not about the merits or desirability of allowing Cannabis in our state or county**
- **Draft is very preliminary in nature, to solicit comment**
- **Plenty of additional times in the future to review refined drafts and comment**

Draft EIR - Final DEIR - Montecito Planning Commission
County Planning Commission - Board of Supervisors
Coastal Commission



State Background

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- **Medical**
 - ▣ **1996 - Compassionate Care Act**
 - ▣ **2015 - Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act**
- **Recreational**
 - ▣ **2016 - Adult Use of Marijuana Act (Prop 64)**
- **Both**
 - ▣ **2017 - Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (SB 94)**



County Background

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- **Medical cannabis cultivation banned since January 2016 with two limited exceptions**
- **Recreational Cannabis activities banned temporarily while regulations are developed**
- **Board appointed Ad Hoc Subcommittee has been meeting regularly since March**
 - ▣ **Two Public Meetings**
 - ▣ **One Board of Supervisors Update**
- **Looking at three elements: land-use permitting, business licensing, and taxation**



Scoping and EIR

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- **Notice of Preparation**
- **Environmental Scoping**
- **Environmental Impact Report**



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Environmental Scoping Document for the Cannabis Land Use Ordinance and Licensing Program

Project Website:

<http://longrange.sbcountyplanning.org/programs/Cannabis/cannabis.php>

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Notice of Preparation

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- **County of Santa Barbara – Lead Agency**
- **First Step in the EIR Process**
- **NOP issued July 12th**
- **Public Comment period ends August 11th
at 5:00 pm**



Environmental Impact Report

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- **Aesthetics and Visual Resources**
- **Agricultural Resources**
- **Air Quality & GHG Emissions**
- **Biological Resources**
- **Cultural**
- **Geologic Hazards & Soils**
- **Hazards and Public Safety**
- **Hydrology and Water Resources**
- **Noise**
- **Public Services**
- **Transportation and Circulation**
- **Public Utilities**
- **Cumulative Impacts**



Environmental Impact Report (cont)

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□ Land Use & Development

▣ Zone Districts

- ▣ Cultivation
- ▣ Microbusiness
- ▣ Manufacturing
- ▣ Distribution
- ▣ Testing
- ▣ Retail

▣ Development Standards

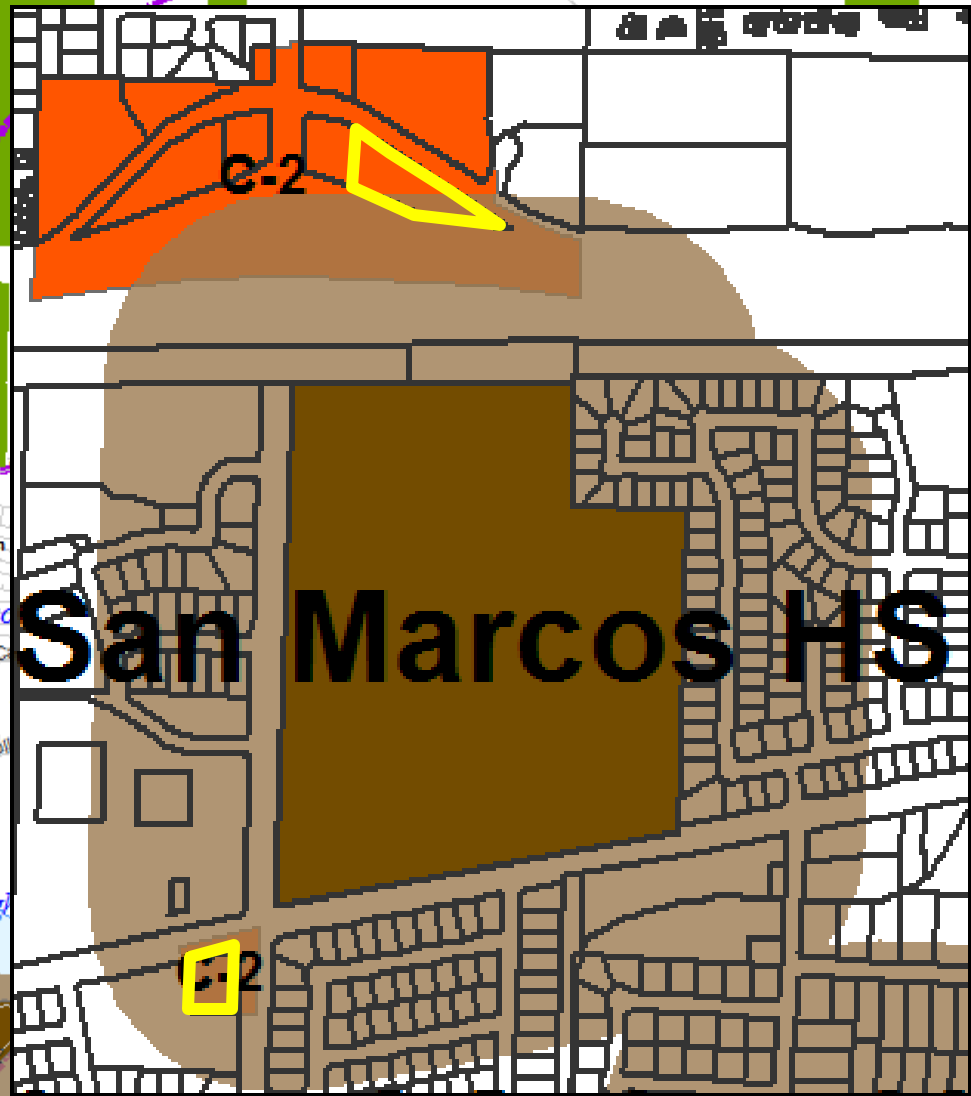
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- ▣ Lighting
- ▣ Noise
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- ▣ Security

- ▣ Personal use cannot be prohibited per State law

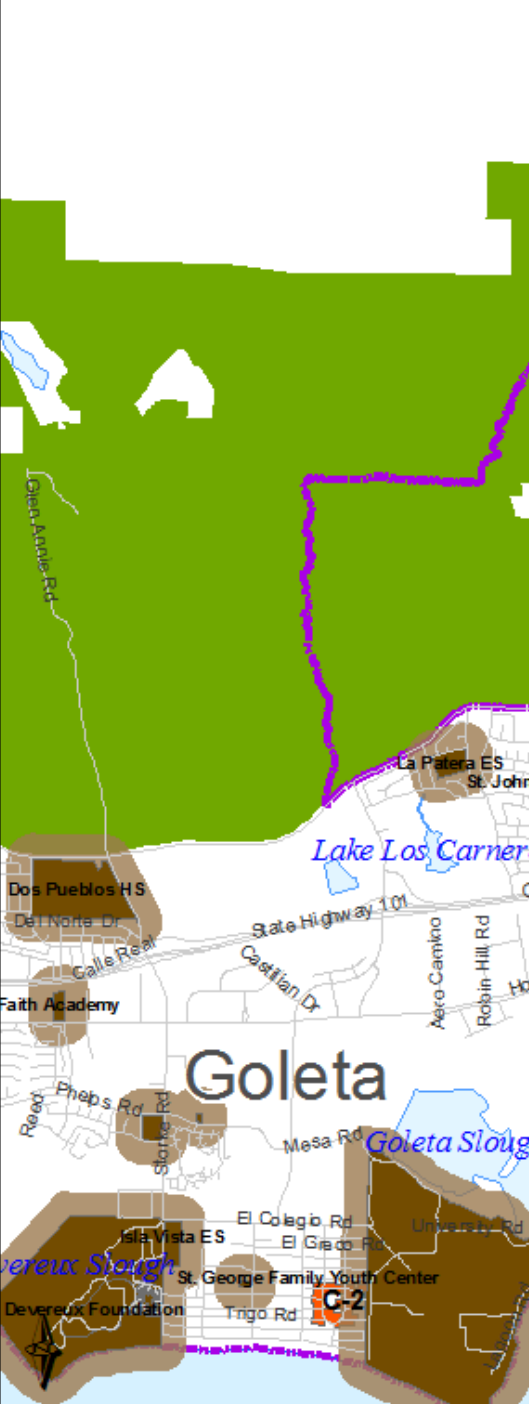
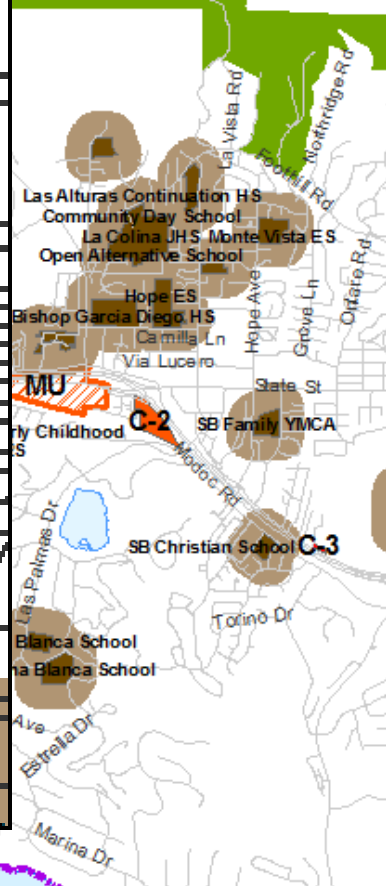


Legend

- 600 Foot Buffer
- AG-I-5; AG-I-10; AG-I-20; AG-I-40
- AG-II-40; AG-II-100; AG-II-320



San Marcos HS



Other EIR Issue Areas

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- **Alternative Analysis**

- **Policy Consistency**

- **Other CEQA Required Discussions**
 - ▣ Significant unavoidable impacts

 - ▣ Secondary/indirect impacts



Public Comment

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- **Focus on the environmental issues related to the scope of the EIR**
- **Comments on the draft ordinance**
- **Public comment closes August 11th at 5:00 p.m.**
- **Next opportunity for comment is the Draft EIR**
 - ▣ **Anticipated release in September**
 - ▣ **45 day review period**
 - ▣ **Public Meeting**



Many Ways to Comment

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- **Speak Today**
- **Email Comments**
 - ▣ **cannabisinfo@countyofsb.org**
- **Mail Comments**
 - ▣ **Jessica Metzger, Project Manager**
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
- **Sign-up for updates**
 - ▣ **<http://www.countyofsb.org/cannabis-committee.sbc>**



Ground Rules

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- ❑ **Be respectful and considerate in your comments**
- ❑ **Focus comments pertaining to the environmental review**
- ❑ **Focus on productive feedback -- no personal attacks, clapping, cheering**
- ❑ **Make specific comments within time limit**
- ❑ **Not a forum to speak on desirability of Cannabis**
- ❑ **Please line up -- out of your seats as called**





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