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### COMMENTS ON PROPOSED CANNABIS EIR SOUGHT

The County of Santa Cruz is encouraging residents to provide input on the scope of an upcoming study on the potential impacts of cannabis cultivation and manufacturing in unincorporated Santa Cruz County.

Recently, the County issued a formal Notice of Participation to initiate an Environmental Impact Review of a proposed ordinance to regulate cannabis cultivation in a manner consistent with State law and the health, safety and welfare of the community. Residents who want to suggest issues to be studied during the EIR process – such as environmental impacts, roads and traffic, neighborhood issues and more -- may do so by reviewing the proposed scope of work at:

<http://sccoplanning.com/PlanningHome/Environmental/CEQAInitialStudiesEIRs/CannabisRegulationsEnvironmentalReview.aspx>.

Comments are due March 15, 2017, and may be submitted online through the above website, or by mail at:

County of Santa Cruz Planning Department  
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In addition, a public meeting is planned for Monday, Feb. 27, 2017 to discuss the upcoming EIR and take feedback. The meeting will be held at Simpkins Family Swim Center, 979 17<sup>th</sup> Ave., Santa Cruz, from 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m.