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Hi Cliff,  
Please see the comments below regarding the above-referenced project.

**Project Number:** PLN-12441-CUP

**Project Name:** Panther Canyon Investments LLC - CUP for 29,200 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation

**APN(s):** 223-061-041

**CEQA:** CEQA-2020-0241-0000-R1

### **Project Description**

Panther Canyon Investments LLC - CUP for 29,200 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation  
A Conditional Use Permit for 29,200 square feet of outdoor commercial cannabis cultivation. Estimated annual irrigation water usage is 290,000 gallons. Rainwater Catchment will provide 292,000 gallons of water to be stored in rigid tanks. Cannabis will be bucked and dried on site and sent to a licensed processing facility for trimming and packaging. Power is provided by a generator and applicant proposes transition to renewable energy. The proposal includes onsite relocation and restoration.

### **CDFW COMMENTS:**

Thank you for referring this application to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for review and comment.

On February 14, 2024, CDFW staff conducted a site inspection at the subject property on Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 223-061-041. During the site visit, staff walked the property to observe current, historic, and proposed cultivation activities. The following comments are intended to assist the Lead Agency in making informed decisions in the planning process. The

following comments shall supersede prior comments submitted by CDFW regarding PLN-12441-CUP. CDFW requests that all comments are incorporated in the final Humboldt County Staff Report.

- While onsite, CDFW observed infrastructure and debris associated with numerous historic cultivation sites on the parcel. CDFW requests, as a condition of approval, that all infrastructure and debris associated with the historic cultivation areas are removed and properly disposed of at a waste management facility prior to the initiation of cannabis cultivation on the parcel.
- While onsite, CDFW observed uncontained trash and discarded and unused waterlines scattered throughout the parcel, posing a threat to sensitive wildlife species and public trust resources. CDFW requests, as a condition of approval, that all refuse and unused waterline is removed and properly disposed of at a waste management facility.
- While onsite, CDFW observed two unused outhouses located onsite. CDFW requests, as a condition of approval, that the applicant decommissions the two outhouses on the parcel.

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