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Planning Commission Clerk County of Humboldt County Planning and Building Department 3015 H Street, Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for the opportunity to review application App(s) # PLN-11734-SP Merry Whether Farm, LLC. APN: 221-111-028.

After careful review, our office has the following concerns:

The Northern Spotted Owl (NSO) continues to suffer population loss across its range due, in part, to habitat loss and human encroachment. The BLM is concerned about the close proximity of this cannabis operation to NSO critical habitat.

Due to the proximity of the operation to public land, we would like to remind the commission that any activity or resource damage related to cannabis operations on public land such as the transportation, cultivation, production, or distribution of supplies or product will violate the Controlled Substances Act and may be subject to federal criminal and/or civil action.

Sincerely.

Collin Ewing Field Manager