California Department of Food & Agriculture's Cannabis Cultivation Program



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License Cultivators



Protect Human Health & Environment



Track and Trace

Category	Outdoor	Indoor	Mixed-light
Specialty Cottage	Type 1C Up to 25 mature plants	Type 1C Up to 500 sq ft	Type 1C Up to 2,500 sq ft
Specialty Cultivator	Type 1 Up to 5,000 sq ft, or up to 50 mature plants	Type 1a Up to 5,000 sq ft	Type 1b Up to 5,000 sq ft
Small Cultivator	Type 2 5,001-10,000 sq ft	Type 2a 5,001-10,000 sq ft	Type 2b 5,001-10,000 sq ft
Medium Cultivator	Type 3 10,001 sq ft- 1 acre	Type 3a 10,001- 22,000 sq ft	Type 3b 10,001- 22,000 sq ft
Nursery	Type 4 (size not limited by statute)		
Large Cultivator	Type 5 Greater than 1 acre	Type 5a Greater than 22,000 sq ft	Type 5b Greater than 22,000 sq ft



Develop Regulations

Regulation Outline

- Definitions
- Application
- Licensing
- Cultivator Requirements
- Track and Trace
- Inspection
- Enforcement



Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)

Potential environmental issues to be addressed in the PEIR:

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality

- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation and Traffic
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Cumulative Impacts
- Irreversible Impacts



Collaboration

- Licensing Authorities
 - CDFA, BMCR and DPH
- Natural Resource Protection
 - Fish and Wildlife
 - State Water Resources Control Board
- Pesticides
 - Pesticide Regulations
- Local Licensing
 - Cities/Counties



Track and Trace

- Stand up a system to be used by all three licensing authorities
- Track cannabis from cultivation to sale using a unique ID
- Prevent diversion and inversion
- Protect human health through tracking if necessary

Other Considerations

of licensees?





Dual Licensing







Adult Use-CDFA Impacts

Creates the Marijuana Cultivation
 Program within CDFA, licensing to begin January 1, 2018 for adult use cultivators

 Adds three additional license types effective January 1, 2023 (Type 5, 5a, 5b) with no size limit



Adult Use- CDFA Impacts

• In addition to 15% sales tax, requires a cultivation tax due after harvest to be paid by the cultivator:

- \$9.25/ounce of flower
- \$2.75/ounce of leaves



Adult Use- CDFA Impacts

- Removes the limit on Type 3 licenses (largest in medical)
- Changes the license combination restrictions



Adult Use-CDFA Impacts

 Adds requirements that retail labels include: all nutrient information, nonorganic pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers used in cultivation

 Creates an Industrial Hemp program under CDFA, which must be operative on January 1, 2017



Industrial Hemp



- SB 566 (Leno, Chapter 398, Statutes of 2013)
- Federal Farm Bill 2014--Section 7606
- Proposition 64—Section 9
- CDFA's obligations:
 - Convene industrial hemp advisory board
 - Establish registration fee
 - Establish list of approved cultivars
- County obligations:
 - Register seed breeders and cultivators
- Next Steps: CDFA List Serve

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