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North County Cannabis Farmers Endorse Working Group's Recommendation *A Statement from Good Farmers Great Neighbors*

"Yesterday's marathon workshop hearing at the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission revealed some good news and proper guidance for the entire agricultural community – 'Be good Neighbors.'

Cathy Fisher, our county's Agriculture Commissioner, presented an outstanding report on the best neighborly practices with your farmers. Commissioner Fisher reports entitled, 'Who are My Neighbors' and 'Best Practices for Pesticide Applications,' serve both as a blue print and roadmap to avoid conflict with fellow farmers.

As founders of the North County Farmers Guild and co-chairs of Good Farmers Great Neighbors, we applaud and endorse the application of these reports by cannabis farmers, especially those dedicated to sun-grown, pesticide-free organic cultivation.

We stand committed to continuing to work collaboratively with the Ag Commissioner's Office to both act as Ambassadors and demonstrate "Best in Class" community outreach strategies that invite all stakeholders and build trust."

John De Friel and Sara Rotman

Background

Ag/Cannabis Stakeholder Working Group Presentation: Best Practices for Pesticide Applications

<https://goodfarmersgreatneighbors.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/AgCannabis-Stakeholder-Working-Group-Pesticide-Best-Practice.pdf>

Ag/Cannabis Stakeholder Working Group Presentation: Who Are My Neighbors?

<https://goodfarmersgreatneighbors.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/AgCannabis-Stakeholder-Working-Group-Who-are-my-neighbors.pdf>

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Good Farmers Great Neighbors is a collective of Santa Barbara County cannabis industry leaders who believe that Cannabis farming is good for County jobs and our local economy. We promote best practices for sustainable growing, a healthy community and environment, and advocate for good neighbor community engagement to dispel the myths surrounding cannabis and cannabis production to help the industry thrive.

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