

April 5, 2016

Dear Grand County Commissioners Tollett, Linke and Manguso,

We own property in the Pine Beach Subdivision and are in the 2 mile radius for the proposed Grand Lake Management LLC Retail Marijuana Store.

We live in Boulder, but frequently visit Grand Lake to maintain our cabins and enjoy a slower pace of life for a few days. We wholeheartedly support development that will bring more travelers and more jobs to Grand Lake. However, we vehemently object to the introduction of an industry that is not family friendly or in keeping with the healthy outdoor lifestyle for which Colorado is known. We are not enthusiastic about the approval of retail marijuana stores in general, and we implore you to consider the fact that this proposed residential location is especially inappropriate.

We have owned our property for 9 ½ years, and rent both of our small cabins as vacation rentals. We take great pride in our property and business and have put substantial amounts of work and money into our cabins in order to make them appealing to our guests, as well our own family. Our guests come to Grand Lake, many from out of state, to experience the beauty and peacefulness of this beautiful mountain community. They want to explore Rocky Mountain National Park, play on the lakes, and hope to see a moose. They tell us how much they love the old western town feel of Grand Lake. Given that most of our guests are young families and older couples, we believe that their impression of the area will be negatively impacted by the approval of yet more marijuana businesses to the county. Count us among those who say that a few new jobs and the tax revenue are not worth the well-documented problems that follow these businesses.

Many out-of-state guests do not understand how Coloradoans could have voted to make recreational marijuana legal, but they still want to visit our state. We should all want them to vacation in Grand County, but many families will be dismayed as they drive past multiple proposed pot operations along highways 40 and 34. As property and business owners, we are deeply concerned that our rental business will

be negatively impacted. A quick glance at *Proposed Recreational Marijuana Business/ Tourist Zones - Overview Map* at <http://www.co.grand.co.us/Archive.aspx?AMID=50&Type=&ADID=> shows that tourists could be passing numerous pot establishments on their way from Winter Park to Grand Lake. What kind of tourists do we want to attract? And what types of jobs are we seeking to add to the local economy? Please Grand County, aim higher.

We ask you NOT to approve this application. Surely Grand County can do more to attract a variety of successful businesses that will add, not detract from the appeal of our community.

Sincerely,

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