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**Subject:** Retail Marijuana License Application

Grand County Clerk and Commissioners,

In regards to: Retail Marijuana License Application. Applicant: Grand Lake Management LLC Location: 12525 US Highway 34 Legal Description: Pine Beach Subdivision, Lot 11, Block 4 License Type: Retail Marijuana Store

I would like to go on record as opposing any type of marijuana facility, either growing, processing, or retail selling at Retail Marijuana License Application. Applicant: Grand Lake Management LLC Location: 12525 US Highway 34 Legal Description: Pine Beach Subdivision, Lot 11, Block 4 License Type: Retail Marijuana Store on Highway 34 in Grand Lake, CO.  
\*Residential areas are no places for marijuana store in any location. The application site is right in the middle of a large residential area where many children and senior residents live on a year round basis.

\*This type of industry only brings an increase in crime and is a huge issue for a current crime free area. Increasing crime puts a strain on our policing system which would increase County sheriff budgets.

\*This facility will have a negative effect on all the property values within a large radius around this facility. Lower values mean a reduction in property taxes collected effecting County and City budgets. It is irresponsible for County Commissioners to approve such a facility in a large residential area purposely causing a negative impact on property values.

\*This facility will drastically increasing traffic on Highway34, and this is already a very dangerous traffic area due to summer time tourists and winter time snow, ice and visibility conditions. Trail ridge Marina (about 500 feet North this application site) has much traffic between June through September. Guests using the Marina often have to park on the shoulder of Highway 34 on busy weekends. Highway 34 is the only route from the South to both Grand Lake and Rocky Mountain National Park, both popular tourist destinations. It is irresponsible for County commissioners to approve adding more traffic to this highway. Also, an increase of traffic comes more pollution: noise and air.

Please read the following findings put together by the Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. Please pay special attention to the increase in traffic fatalities and the increase in emergency room/hospitals sections. These are some statistics that we cannot ignore. [http://www.in.gov/ipac/files/August\\_2014\\_Legalization\\_of\\_MJ\\_in\\_Colorado\\_t](http://www.in.gov/ipac/files/August_2014_Legalization_of_MJ_in_Colorado_t)

I request that you do NOT approve this application for this location at this time. It will only add further deterioration to the general tourism of our area and ultimately to the quality of life we are all trying to improve. I beg you to vote against this license and allow our community to continue on a path to rebuild versus a path of ongoing and continued destruction of a once beautiful and proud neighborhood and way of life.

Sincerely,

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