

Grand County Clerk and Recorder:

Thank you for the notification of and opportunity to express our views on the application for a marijuana facility license on 12365 Highway 34, Grand Lake. We will be unable to attend the hearing on November 17; however, we want to express our concerns in regard to this issue.

We purchased a home in Wild Acres II 9 years ago. We are very concerned about the locations on Route 34 that can potentially become marijuana retail facilities and/or any other location that might be a possibility. The particular location at 12365 Highway 34 is within the 2 mile radius of our home in Wild Acres and is very close to the Rocky Mountain National Park West entrance.

While we understand that marijuana facilities are now legal in Colorado, that certainly does not mean that all communities are obligated to accept them. We strongly suggest that this application be denied for the following reasons.

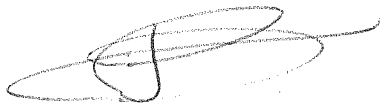
1. We (and for that matter many others) strongly object to such a facility being allowed so close to our home. We believe that this facility would have a negative impact on not only our neighborhood, but the entire town of Grand Lake, the homes on Highway 34 immediately across the street from the proposed location, Rocky Mountain National Park, the National Forest and Highway 34. We all know that safe driving is not a characteristic of a person high on marijuana.
2. It is crucial that you keep in mind that marijuana is currently illegal in Rocky Mountain National Park. With such a facility being so close to the West entrance to the Park means it is highly probable that it would be brought into the Park and used there. This would put additional unnecessary burden on our law enforcement personnel.
3. We have spoken with people who live and/or work near approved facilities in Grand County and their comment was "don't let it come near you---it is a mess".

Marijuana facilities in our county are simply a very bad idea. Even though there have already been some approvals in the county for such facilities, but please do not set additional precedence by approving this application. Let's put a stop to this right now, and let it be known that marijuana retail outlets in our community are not welcome and that such applications will not be approved.

Respectfully,



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