

ORDINANCE NO. 364-2018

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Section 17.30.195 Commercial Cannabis Land Use Regulations

(1) Authority and Title

This Section shall be known as the Commercial Cannabis Land Use Ordinance (CCLUO), which provides for the regulation of Commercial Cultivation, Processing, Manufacturing distribution and testing of cannabis, as defined in this Code, located within the City of Rio Dell.

(2) Purpose and Intent

The City of Rio Dell is focused on the development of the medical cannabis industry in an effort to better understand the effects of the plant and its constituent elements on various diseases. We encourage the businesses within the industry to focus their efforts towards the medical market and actively seek businesses that conduct medical research as associated with the cannabis industry. The efforts of the City to better understand the medical benefits of this plant will provide an environment in which research oriented businesses will thrive and encourage new and innovative researchers to locate in Rio Dell. In this light, the City of Rio Dell envisions a future for the Humboldt Rio Dell Business Park as a research center for the cannabis industry.

The purpose of this Section is to establish land use regulations concerning the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis for medicinal or adult use in order to limit and control such activity.

These regulations are intended to ensure the public health, safety and welfare of residents of the City of Rio Dell, visitors to the City, persons engaged in regulated commercial cannabis activities including their employees, neighboring property owners, and end users of medicinal or adult use cannabis; to protect the environment from harm resulting from cannabis activities, including but not limited to residential neighborhoods, schools, commercial areas; to

ensure the security of state-regulated medicinal or adult use cannabis; and to safeguard against the diversion of state-regulated medicinal or adult use cannabis for purposes not authorized by law. To this end, these regulations identify where in the City the various types of commercial cannabis activities can occur, and specify what type of permit is required, the application process and the approval criteria that will apply.

This Section is not intended to supersede the provisions of Section 17.30.190 of this Code concerning cultivation of medical marijuana for personal use by patients or caregivers, or contravene Section 17.30.235 of this code or the provisions of Health and Safety Code section 11357, 11358, 11362.1, 11362.2, or 11362.5 with respect to the possession or cultivation of limited amounts of cannabis for personal use by qualified patients or persons 21 years of age or older.

(3) Applicability and Interpretation

- (a) These regulations shall apply to the location and permitting of commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis in zoning districts within which such use is authorized, as specified in this Section.
- (b) The commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis within the jurisdiction of the City of Rio Dell shall be controlled by the provisions of this Section, regardless of whether those activities existed or occurred prior to the adoption of this Section.
- (c) Nothing in this Section is intended, nor shall it be construed, to exempt the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis from compliance with all other applicable zoning, and land use regulations, as well as compliance with any applicable state laws.
- (d) Nothing in this Section is intended, nor shall it be construed, to exempt the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis as defined herein, from any and all applicable local and state construction, electrical, plumbing, land use, water rights, waste water discharge, streambed alteration, or any other environmental, building or land use standards or permitting requirements.
- (e) Nothing in this Section is intended, nor shall it be construed, to preclude a landlord or property owner from limiting or prohibiting commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, distribution and testing of cannabis on private property.

- (f) The definitions in this Section are intended to apply solely to the regulations in this section.
- (g) Notwithstanding the fact that Health and Safety Code Section 11362.777 declares that cannabis is an agricultural product for purposes of that Section and the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), Business and Professions Code Section 19300, et. seq., the commercial cultivation of cannabis is a highly regulated specialty crop and cultivation and processing of that specialty crop shall not be allowed as a principal permitted use unless a Conditional Use Permit is first obtained from the City of Rio Dell, and the person engaged in such activity has obtained all state licenses and permits which may be required by the applicable state licensing authorities whenever such licenses become available.
- (h) With the exception of testing laboratories, all cannabis operators/licensees are required to hold a Medical or “M” type State license. Cannabis operators/licensees may hold an Adult or “A” type State license as well.

(4) Release of Liability and Hold Harmless

As a condition of approval for any Conditional Use Permit approved for the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, testing, or distribution of cannabis as defined herein, the owner or permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Rio Dell and its agents, officers, elected officials, and employees for any claims, damages, or injuries brought by affected property owners or other third parties due to the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, testing or distribution of cannabis and for any claims brought by any person for problems, injuries, damages, or liabilities of any kind that may arise out of the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, testing or distribution of cannabis.

(5) Violations, Penalties and Enforcement

All of the remedies provided for in this Section shall be cumulative and not exclusive of remedies available for violations under any other Section of the Rio Dell Municipal Code, State law, including without limitation the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), and applicable federal law.

Any violation of this Section, including, but not limited to failure to obtain and maintain in good standing the required Conditional Use Permit specified in this Section, shall be, and the same hereby is declared to be, a public nuisance and unlawful and shall be subject to injunction,

abatement or any other administrative, civil, or criminal remedy available to the City under the applicable state and City laws, including those set forth in Section 17.40.020 of the Rio Dell Municipal Code and any or all of the following:

- (a) Such person shall be subject to summary or administrative abatement of the nuisance by the City, and be subject to fines, civil penalties, fees and costs, including reasonable attorney fees imposed by the City pursuant to the summary or administrative abatement procedures contained in the City Code or any other provisions of law;
- (b) Such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor for each day such violation continues, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished for each violation by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment of not longer than six months, or both for each violation;
- (c) Such person shall be prosecuted in a civil action, criminal action, or both brought by the City. The City Attorney or other authorized legal representative may bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin or prosecute any nuisance violation of this chapter, or violation of any other ordinance of the City;
- (d) Each and every day that any such violation continues to exist shall constitute a continuing and separate offense.

(6) Definitions

“Area of Traditional Tribal Cultural Affiliation” means geographic areas of historic occupancy and traditional cultural use by local indigenous peoples (California Native American Tribes), as shown on the latest mapping prepared by the County of Humboldt Planning & Building Department, created from geographic information supplied by the Tribes of Humboldt County.

“Cannabis” means all parts of the plant *Cannabis sativa* Linnaeus, *Cannabis indica*, or *Cannabis ruderalis*, or any other strain or varietal of the genus *Cannabis* that may exist or hereafter be discovered or developed that has psychoactive or medicinal properties, whether growing or not, including the seeds thereof. “Cannabis” also means cannabis as defined by Section 11018 of the Health and Safety Code as enacted by Chapter 1407 of the Statutes of 1972. For the purpose of this section, “cannabis” does not mean “industrial hemp” as defined by Section 81000 of the Food and Agriculture Code or Section 11018.5 of the Health and Safety Code.

“Cannabis Testing and Research Laboratories” means a facility, entity, or site that offers or performs tests of cannabis or cannabis products licensed by the State of California pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26000, et. seq., and businesses and research institutions engaged in the research of cannabis, cannabis products, or devices used for the medicinal or adult use of cannabis products at which no commercial cannabis cultivation or distribution, manufacture, dispensing, or sale of medical cannabis occurs.

“Commercial Cannabis Activity” means any activity involving the cultivation, processing, distribution, manufacturing, testing, sale, or related activities, of cannabis for commercial purposes.

“Commercial Cannabis Cultivation” means any activity involving the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis, including nurseries, that is intended to be transported, processed, manufactured, distributed, dispensed, delivered, or sold in accordance with the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA).

“Cultivation Area” the area encompassed by the perimeter surrounding the area within which cannabis plants are cultivated. Where plants are cultivated in separated pots, beds or plots, the cumulative total surface area of all such pots, beds or plots, and the surface area underneath the maximum anticipated extent of vegetative growth of cannabis plants to be grown in separate pots, beds or plots, used in combination for a single permitted cultivation operation.

“Cultivation License Types” means the following types of State cultivation licenses:

(a) Specialty Cottage:

- (1) "Specialty Cottage Outdoor" is an outdoor cultivation site with up to 25 mature plants.
- (2) "Specialty Cottage Indoor" is an indoor cultivation site with 500 square feet or less of total canopy.
- (3) "Specialty Cottage Mixed-Light Tier 1 and 2" is a mixed-light cultivation site with 2,500 square feet or less of total canopy.

(b) Specialty:

- (1) "Specialty Outdoor" is an outdoor cultivation site with less than or equal to 5,000 square feet of total canopy, or up to 50 mature plants on noncontiguous plots.
- (2) "Specialty Indoor" is an indoor cultivation site between 501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy.
- (3) "Specialty Mixed-Light Tier 1 and 2" is a mixed-light cultivation site between 2,501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy.

(c) Small:

- (1) "Small Outdoor" is an outdoor cultivation site between 5,001 and 10,000 square feet of total canopy.
- (2) "Small Indoor" is an indoor cultivation site between 5,001 and 10,000 square feet of total canopy.
- (3) "Small Mixed-Light Tier 1 and 2" is a mixed-light cultivation site between 5,001 and 10,000 square feet of total canopy.

(d) Medium:

- (1) "Medium Outdoor" is an outdoor cultivation site between 10,001 square feet and one acre of total canopy.
- (2) "Medium Indoor" is an indoor cultivation site between 10,001 and 22,000 square feet of total canopy.
- (3) "Medium Mixed-Light Tier 1 and 2" is a mixed-light cultivation site between 10,001 and 22,000 square feet of total canopy.
- (e) "Nursery" is a cultivation site that conducts the cultivation of cannabis solely as a nursery.
- (f) "Processor" is a site that conducts only trimming, drying, curing, grading, packaging or labeling of cannabis and nonmanufactured cannabis products.

“Cultivation site” means the location or a facility where cannabis is planted, grown, harvested, dried, cured, graded, or trimmed, or that does all or any combination of those activities, except where drying, curing, grading or trimming is otherwise prohibited.

“Distribution Facility” means the location or a facility where a person conducts the business of procuring cannabis from licensed cultivators or manufacturers for sale to licensed retailers, and performs and coordinates the inspection, quality assurance, batch testing, storage, labeling, packaging and other related processes, as well as transportation to or from other licensees.

“Distributor” means a State recognized Type 11 licensed person or entity that conducts the business of procuring cannabis from licensed cultivators and/or manufacturers for sale to licensed retailers, and performs and coordinates the inspection, quality assurance, batch testing and other related processes as well as transportation to and from other licensees.

“Distributor Transport Only” means a State recognized Type 13 licensed person or entity that conducts the business transportation of cannabis products between licensed cultivators, manufacturers and distributors. Does not transport cannabis goods to a retailer except for immature live plants and seeds being transported from a licensed nursery.

“Extraction” means a process by which cannabinoids are separated from cannabis plant material through chemical or physical means.

“Flowering” means that a cannabis plant has formed a mass of pistils measuring greater than one half inch wide at its widest point.

“Greenhouse” means a structure, primarily of glass or clear poly-film or polycarbonate plastic, in which temperature and humidity can be controlled for the cultivation or protection of plants.

“Health and Wellness Center” means an establishment that offers health services for the body and mind, including but not limited to fitness, personal training, nutrition consulting, skin care services, massage, holistic and herbal therapies, therapeutic application and retail sales of medical cannabis products including oils, tinctures, sublingual’s, creams, lotions, pills, suppositories, cosmetics, etc., but excluding the sales of flowers, trim, leaf or cannabis infused edibles.

“Indoor” means indoor cultivation using exclusively artificial lighting or a combination of artificial lighting and natural sunlight in a building with a glass, polycarbonate plastic or similar roof.

“Kief” means means the resinous trichomes of cannabis that may accumulate in containers or be sifted from loose, dry cannabis flower with a mesh screen or sieve.

“Licensee” means a person issued a state license under the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA) to engage in commercial cannabis activity.

“Manufacturing Facility” means a process whereby the raw agricultural product is transformed into a concentrate, an edible product, or a topical product, and the production, preparation, propagation, or compounding of cannabis or cannabis products, directly or indirectly, by extraction methods, independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis.

“Manufacturing License Types” means the following license types available from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH):

- (a) “Type P,” for entities that only package or repackage medical cannabis products or label or relabel the cannabis product container. Entities that engage in packaging or labeling of their own product as part of the manufacturing process do not need to hold a separate Type P license. For purposes of section 19328 of the Business and Professions Code, a Type P license shall be subject to the same restrictions as a Type 6 license.
- (b) “Type N,” for manufacturers that produce edible products or topical products using infusion processes, or other types of medical cannabis products other than extracts or concentrates, and that do not conduct extractions. For purposes of section 19328 of the Business and Professions Code, a Type N license shall be subject to the same restrictions as a Type 6 license.
- (c) “Type 6,” for extractions using mechanical methods or nonvolatile solvents as defined by Section 40100 of the California Code of Regulations. A Type 6 licensee may also conduct infusion operations, or packaging and labeling of its own cannabis products on the licensed premises, provided that the infusion method is noted on the application form and that the relevant information pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 40128 of the California Code of Regulations is provided to the Department.
- (d) “Type 7,” for extractions using volatile solvents as defined by Section 40100 of the California Code of Regulations. A Type 7 licensee may also:

(1) Conduct extractions using nonvolatile solvents or mechanical methods on the licensed premises provided that the extraction process is noted on the application form and the relevant information is provided to the Department pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 40128 of the California Code of Regulations.

(2) Conduct infusion operations on the licensed premises, provided that the infusion method is noted on the application form and that the relevant information is provided to the Department pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 40128 of the California Code of Regulations.

(3) Conduct packaging and labeling of its own cannabis products.

“Microbusiness” means a State recognized Type 12 licensed facility host to several Commercial Cannabis Activities under a single license including cultivation on an area less than 10,000 square feet, distribution, manufacturing without use of volatile solvents, and retail sales.

“Mixed-Light” means cultivation of mature cannabis in a greenhouse, hoop-house, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or one of the artificial lighting models described below:

(1) “Mixed-light Tier 1” the use of artificial light at a rate of six watts per square foot or less;

(2) “Mixed-light Tier 2” the use of artificial light at a rate above six and below of equal to twenty-five watts per square foot.

“Nonmanufactured cannabis product” means flower, shake, kief, leaf and pre-rolls.

“Nursery” means a licensee that produces only clones, immature plants, seeds, and other agricultural products for retail or wholesale sale, used specifically for the planting, propagation, and cultivation of cannabis.

“Off-site Processing Facility” means the location or facility where cannabis is dried, cured, graded, trimmed, and/or packaged when conducted at premises separate from the cultivation site where the processed cannabis is grown and harvested.

“On-site Processing Facility” means the location or facility where cannabis is dried, cured, graded, trimmed, and/or packaged by or under the control of one or more licensed cultivators,

when conducted at the same premises or Parcel which is host to the cultivation site(s) where the cannabis is grown and harvested.

“Outdoor” means outdoor open-field (not in a greenhouse) cultivation using no artificial lighting. Outdoor cultivation as defined herein is not allowed in the City of Rio Dell.

“Person” means an individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation, limited liability company, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, or any other group or combination acting as a unit and includes the plural as well as the singular number.

“Premises” means a legal parcel compliant with the Subdivision Map Act, or a leasehold interest in agricultural land for agricultural purposes of outdoor or mixed-light cultivation or processing of cannabis, or space in an industrial or commercial building for purposes of indoor cultivation, processing, manufacture, or distribution of cannabis.

“Pre-roll” means nonmanufactured cannabis products(s) rolled in paper.

“Process”, “Processing”, and “Processes” means all activities associated with drying, curing, grading, trimming, storing, packaging and labeling of cannabis products.

“Processing Facility” means the location or facility where cannabis is dried, cured, graded, trimmed, and/or packaged.

“Propagation” means cultivation of immature, non-flowering cannabis plants.

“Sawmill Annexation Area” means the area north of the Eel River annexed into the City in 2008/2009, which area is shown on Figure 6-1, below.

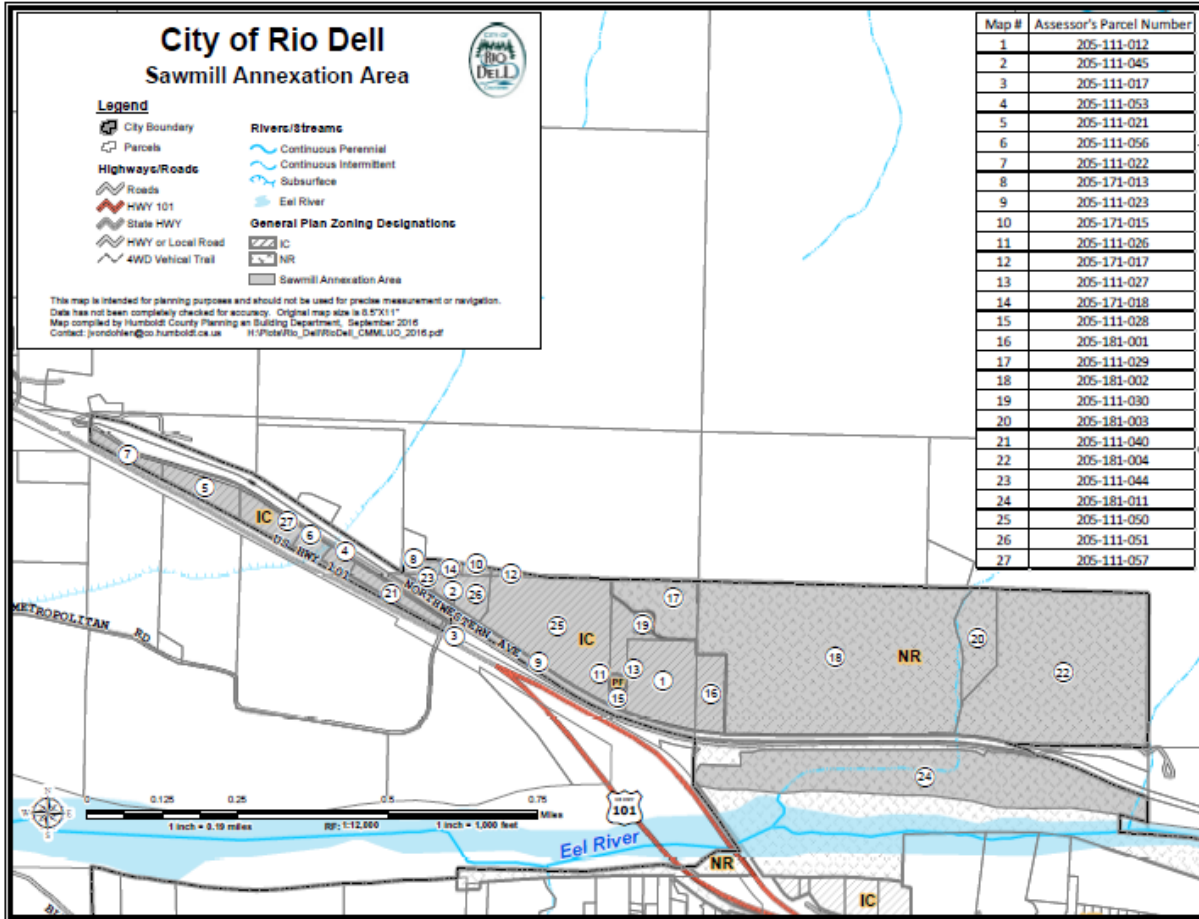


Figure 6.1
Sawmill Annexation Area

“Renewable Energy Source” means electrical power provided by a renewable energy system and/or Grid Power, supplied from 100% renewable source.

“Renewable Energy System” means equipment for generating and supplying power without use of petroleum or other fossil fuels, and instead using appropriate technology including but not limited to: wind turbines, photovoltaic panels, and hydroelectric systems, in concert with private devices and systems for energy storage and distribution including batteries, grid inter-tie, or other means.

“Retailer” means a State recognized Type 10 licensed facility for the retail sale and delivery of cannabis to the public, whether for medicinal or adult use.

“Retailer Non-Storefront” means a State recognized Type 9 license for the retail sale and delivery of cannabis from a licensed premises that is not open to the public, whether for medicinal or adult use.

“State license” means a state license issued pursuant to the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA).

“Testing Laboratory” means a State recognized Type 8 licensed facility, entity, or site in the state that offers or performs tests of cannabis or cannabis products with an ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation or equivalent recognized by the state.

“Tribal Cultural Resources” means sites, features, places, cultural landscapes, sacred places, and objects with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, including unique archaeological resources and historical resources as described under sections 21074, 21083.2(g), and 21084.1 of the Public Resources Code, respectively. Tribal Cultural Resource shall also include sites or resources identified by the tribe through an action of the Tribal Council or equivalent body.

(7) General Provisions

This section applies to all cannabis related facilities and activities involved in the Commercial Cultivation, Processing, Manufacturing, Health and Wellness Centers, Testing or Distribution of cannabis as defined in this Section.

- (a) All cannabis related facilities and activities, including commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, Health and Wellness Centers, testing, or distribution of cannabis shall operate in compliance with this Section, as well as all applicable state and local laws and conditions as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (b) Greenhouse and Mixed-Light commercial cultivation of cannabis shall be conducted entirely within a fully enclosed, secure and lockable greenhouse and shall be conditionally permitted in the Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) designations located in the Sawmill Annexation area, pursuant to the “Greenhouse” and “Mixed-Light” parcel size and cultivation area provisions described in Table 8.1 and subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.

- (c) Indoor commercial cultivation of cannabis shall be conditionally permitted in the Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) designations located in the Sawmill Annexation area pursuant to the “Indoor” parcel size and cultivation area provisions described in Table 8.1 and subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (d) Processing Facilities accessory and appurtenant to on site cultivation for commercial cannabis shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) designations located in the Sawmill Annexation area, subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (e) Stand alone, independent Processing Facilities for commercial cannabis shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC) designation zoning district located in the Sawmill Annexation area, subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (f) Extraction manufacturing of commercial cannabis concentrates shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC) designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area, subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (g) Manufacturing of edibles (commercial kitchens) shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC), designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (h) Wholesale Distribution Facilities for commercial cannabis shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC) designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (i) Nurseries, as defined herein, producing commercial cannabis nursery products for retail sale, bulk wholesale sale or to supply retail nursery outlets shall be a conditionally permitted use in the Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the

conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.

- (i) Testing laboratories as herein defined shall be conditionally permitted in the Industrial Commercial (IC) designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council.
- (j) Other than as enumerated in this Section, the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, testing or distribution of cannabis in any other zoning district in the City of Rio Dell is prohibited.
- (k) Health and Wellness Centers as herein defined are allowed in the Industrial Commercial (IC) designation located in the Sawmill Annexation area subject to a Conditional Use Permit and the conditions and limitations set forth in this Section and as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and/or the City Council. No more than one (1) Health and Wellness Center administering therapeutic application and retail sales of medical cannabis products, including oils, tinctures, sublingual's, creams, lotions, pills, suppositories, cosmetics, etc., but excluding the sales of flowers, trim, leaf or cannabis infused edibles shall be allowed.
- (l) The fact that an applicant possesses other types of state or county or city permits, licenses or other entitlements does not exempt the applicant from the requirement of obtaining a Conditional Use Permit from the City of Rio Dell to engage in the commercial cultivation, processing, manufacturing, testing or distribution of cannabis within the jurisdiction of the City.
- (m) Every person engaged in any commercial cannabis activity within the City of Rio Dell that applies for and is issued a State license type marked "A" for adult use under Section 26050(b) of the California Business and Professions Code shall also apply for and obtain, prior to engaging in activity permitted under the "A" type State license, a State license type marked "M" for medicinal use for the same type of commercial cannabis activity within the City. Any such person shall comply with Section 5025 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations. This provision shall not apply to persons possessing a State testing laboratory license

(8) Cultivation, Locations, Parcel Sizes and Allowable Canopies

The commercial cultivation of cannabis within the City shall be located in the Sawmill Annexation area in accordance with the following table:

**Table 8.1
Cultivation Locations, Parcel Sizes and Allowable Canopies**

Greenhouse & Mixed-Light Cultivation

Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) Designations

State License Type	Cultivation Type	Parcel Size	Allowable Canopy
Specialty	Greenhouse & Mixed Light	< 1 acre	1,000 sq. ft.
		1-2.49 acres	2,000 sq. ft.
		2.5-4.99 acres	5,000 sq. ft.
Small	Greenhouse & Mixed Light	5.0- 19.99 acres	10,000 sq. ft.
Medium	Greenhouse & Mixed Light	≥ 20 acres	22,000 sq. ft.

Indoor Cultivation

Industrial Commercial (IC) Designations

State License Type	Allowable Canopy
“Specialty Indoor”	5,000 sq. ft.
“Small Indoor”	10,000 sq. ft.
“Medium Indoor”	22,000 sq. ft.

Indoor Cultivation

Natural Resources (NR) Designations

State License Type	Parcel Size	Allowable Canopy
“Specialty Indoor”	< 1 acre	1,000 sq. ft.
	1-1.99 acres	2,000 sq. ft.
	2.0-4.99 acres	5,000 sq. ft.
“Small Indoor”	5.0- 9.99 acres	10,000 sq. ft.

"Medium Indoor"	≥ 10 acres	22,000 sq. ft.
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Nurseries

Industrial Commercial (IC) and Natural Resources (NR) designations

State License Type	Parcel Size	Allowable Canopy
Type 4, "Nursery"	N/A	N/A

- (a) Processing of cannabis that is cultivated pursuant to these regulations may occur at the cultivation site subject to the Processing Performance Standards and Employee Safety Practices enumerated in Section 17.30.195(10) thru 17.30.195(13) are met.
- (b) Multiple applicants may obtain a Conditional Use Permit for greenhouse cultivation, mixed-light cultivation, or both, on one legal parcel so long as the cumulative cultivation area is within one contiguous cultivation footprint that does not exceed the total cultivation area size limits set forth in Table 8.1, Cultivation Locations, Parcel Sizes and Allowable Canopies.
- (c) A combination of cultivation types may be allowed in the same zone (e.g. greenhouse and, mixed light cultivation, or indoor cultivation and processing) that are for a total area equal to or less than the cultivated area size limit for the size of the underlying parcel.

(9) Application Requirements for All CCLUO Conditional Use Permits:

- (a) A completed standard application form for a Conditional Use Permit with the required fee.
- (b) If the applicant is not the record title owner of parcel, written consent of the owner for the application with original signature and notary acknowledgement.
- (c) A **Site Plan** shall be submitted showing the entire parcel with dimensions, easements, existing and proposed buildings, parking and loading facilities, landscaping, trash and recycling facilities, stormwater facilities, including retention/detention facilities and setbacks from property lines. The plan shall be drawn to scale.
- (d) **Floor Plans** shall be submitted for existing and proposed buildings with dimensions and labeling identifying uses within the building(s). The plans shall be drawn to scale.
- (e) A **Plan of Operations** shall be submitted that includes, describes and addresses the following:

- (i) A complete project description including the proposed use(s), hours and days of operation, number of employees, and the duration (temporary, seasonal or permanent) of the operation.
- (ii) The number of daily and/or weekly incoming and outgoing deliveries
- (iii) A Security Plan that addresses the cultivation, storage, processing, manufacturing and testing of any cannabis, including but not limited to video monitoring and commercial alarm systems.
- (iv) A Waste Management/Disposal Plan shall be submitted describing any produced wastes, including by-products, recycling, reusing, recovery, storage, diversion and handling and disposal.
- (v) A description of the storage or use of any solvents, fertilizers, pesticides, fungicides, rodenticide, or herbicides.
- (vi) A description of any discharge or emissions the operation will generate.
- (vii) A description of any noise level increase as a result of the operation.
- (viii) A description of the operation's use of public facilities such as roads, water or sewer systems.
- (ix) A description of any proposed water source, storage, conservation and use; drainage, runoff and erosion control; watershed and habitat protection.

(f) A **Security Plan** shall be submitted that includes, describes and addresses the following:

- (i) Security cameras shall be installed and maintained in good condition, and used in an on-going manner with at least 240 concurrent hours of digitally recorded documentation in a format approved by the Planning Commission. The cameras shall be in use 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The areas to be covered by the security cameras shall include, but are not limited to, the public areas, processing areas, storage areas, employee areas, all doors and windows, and any other areas as determined to be necessary by the Planning Commission.
- (ii) The facility shall be alarmed with an audible interior and/or exterior silent alarm

system that is operated and monitored by a recognized security company, deemed acceptable by the Planning Commission. Any change in the security company shall be subject to the approval of the City Manager or his designee. All current contact information regarding the cannabis facility's security company shall be provided to the City Manager or designee.

- (g) **Tribal Consultation:** For any ground disturbing activities, acknowledge that the City will consult with the local Wiyot Tribe, including their Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) or other tribal representatives, before the approval of any Conditional Use Permit. During this process, the tribe may request that operations associated with the Conditional Use Permit be designed to avoid, minimize or mitigate impacts to Tribal Cultural Resources, as defined herein. Examples include, but are not limited to: conducting a site visit with the THPO or their designee to the existing or proposed cultivation site, requiring that a professional cultural resources survey be performed, or requiring that a tribal cultural monitor be retained during project-related ground disturbance within areas of sensitivity or concern.
- (h) **Community Relations:** Each cannabis facility shall provide the City Manager or designee with the name, phone number, facsimile number, and email address of an on-site community relations or staff person or other representative to whom the City can provide notice if there are operating problems associated with the cannabis facility or refer members of the public who may have any concerns or complaints regarding the operation of the cannabis facility. Each cannabis facility shall also provide the above information to its business neighbors located within 300 feet of the cannabis facility.
- (i) Consent to a minimum of at least one quarterly on-site compliance inspection, to be conducted by appropriate City officials during regular business hours (Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, excluding holidays). The applicant shall be required to pay the Inspection Fee in effect at that time.
- (j) Owner(s) or employee(s) who makes or will make operational or management decisions that directly impact the business shall consent to a background check pursuant to Section 19322(a)(1)(A) of the Business and Professions Code, including submitting to the Department of Justice fingerprint images and related information required by the Department of Justice for the purpose of obtaining information as to the existence and content of a record of State or Federal convictions and arrests, and information as to the existence and content of a record of State and Federal convictions and arrests for which the Department of Justice establishes that the person is free on bail or on his or her own

recognizance, pending trial or appeal. The applicant shall be responsible for the costs associated with the required background check.

(i) No Owner or employee who makes or will make operational or management decisions that directly impact the business shall have been convicted of an offense, or is currently free on bail or on his or her own recognizance pending trial or appeal for an offense, that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the application is made, including but not be limited to, the following:

- (A) A felony conviction for the illegal possession for sale, manufacture, transportation, or cultivation of a controlled substance;
- (B) A violent felony conviction, as specified in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code.
- (C) A serious felony conviction, as specified in subdivision (c) of Section 1192.7 of the Penal Code.
- (D) A felony conviction involving fraud, deceit, or embezzlement.

(k) Compliance with the provisions of the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), all applicable state laws and City ordinances.

(l) All permittees subject to state licensure shall participate in local and state programs for “Track and Trace”, once available.

(m) Notification to State Licensing Authorities: The City shall notify the appropriate state licensing authority whenever a Conditional Use Permit has been revoked or terminated following the expiration of any appeal period, or if an appeal has been filed, following the final determination of the appeal.

(n) The operator of the permitted facility shall maintain valid license(s) issued by the appropriate state licensing authority or authorities as provided in MAUCRSA for the type of activity being conducted, as soon as such licenses become available.

(o) All operators shall maintain a current, valid business license at all times.

(10) Performance Standards for all CCLUO Cultivation Operations:

- (a) No surface water withdrawals shall be allowed as part of any cultivation operations.
- (b) No Timberland Conversion Permits or Exemptions as approved by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL-FIRE) shall be used to facilitate the cultivation of cannabis.
- (c) The area of cannabis cultivation shall be located as shown on the application site plan, set back at least 50 feet from any property line in the Natural resource (NR) zone and 1000 feet from any School. Cannabis cultivation is declared to be development, subject to compliance with Section 17.30.110, Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area's (ESHA's). For purposes of this section, where enhanced, reduced, or modified watercourse or wetland setbacks have been agreed to by the operator and the RWQCB under enrollment pursuant to NCRWQB Order No. 2015-0023 and/or preparation of a Water Resources Protection Plan, these may control and supersede any setback applied pursuant to Section 17.30.110.
- (d) Maintain enrollment in Tier 1, 2 or 3, certification with the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board Order No. 2015-0023, if applicable, or any substantially equivalent rule that may be subsequently adopted by the City of Rio Dell or other responsible agency.
- (e) For cultivation areas for which no enrollment pursuant to NCRWQB Order No. 2015-0023, is required by that Order, compliance with the standard conditions applicable to all Tier 1 dischargers.
- (f) The storage or use of any fertilizer, pesticide, fungicide, rodenticide, or herbicide shall be in compliance with the manufacture's recommendations and regulations administered by the State Department of Pesticide Regulation. Hazardous materials and wastes from agricultural businesses are regulated by the Humboldt County Environmental Health Division, which administers the Hazardous Materials program as one of the Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPA). This includes the application, inspection, enforcement, and reporting under the program requirements and standards set by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA).
- (g) Trucked water shall not be allowed as the primary water source. Water is to be sourced locally (on-site), except for emergencies. For purposes of this provision, "emergency" is defined as: "a sudden, unexpected occurrence demanding immediate action."

- (h) Carbon filter fans or equivalent superior filters/scrubbers shall be required to eliminate odor discharges to neighboring properties from cultivation and processing facilities.
- (i) A Waste Management/Disposal Plan shall be submitted describing any produced wastes, including by-products, recycling, reusing, recovery, storage, diversion and handling and disposal.
- (j) Those cultivators using artificial lighting for mixed-light cultivation shall shield greenhouses so that little to no light escapes. Light shall not escape at a level that is visible from neighboring properties between sunset and sunrise. Should the City receive complaints that the lighting is out of alignment or not complying with these standards, within ten (10) working days of receiving written notification that a complaint has been filed, the applicant shall submit written verification that the lights' shielding and alignment has been repaired, inspected and corrected as necessary.
- (k) Generators are only allowed as an emergency back-up power source. The noise produced by a generator used for cannabis cultivation shall not be audible from neighboring residences. The decibel level for generators at the property line shall be no more than 60 decibels.
- (l) Fuel shall be stored and handled in compliance with applicable state and local laws and regulations, and in such a way that no spillage occurs.
- (m) Electricity for Indoor and Mixed Light cultivation activities shall be provided by any combination of the following:
 - (i) On-grid power with 42 percent renewable source.
 - (ii) Onsite zero net energy renewable source providing 42 percent of power.
 - (iii) Purchase of carbon offsets for any portion of power above 58 percent not from renewable sources.
 - (iv) Demonstration that the equipment to be used would be 42 percent more energy efficient than standard equipment, using 2014 as the baseline year for such standard equipment.

Purchase of carbon offset credits (for grid power procured from non-renewable producers) may only be made from reputable sources, including those found on Offset Project Registries managed the California Air Resources Board, or similar sources and programs determined to provide bona fide offsets recognized by relevant state regulatory agencies.

(n) Comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations applicable to California Agricultural Employers, including those governing cultivation and processing activities.

(o) Comply with any special conditions applicable to that permit or parcel which may be imposed as a condition of the required Conditional Use Permit.

(11) Performance Standards for Manufacturing Activities:

(a) Compliance with CAL/OSHA, OSHA regulations.

(b) Compliance with State and local building regulations, including the California Building Code (CBC) and the California Fire Code (CFC).

(c) A Security Plan that addresses how the following measures shall be implemented or complied with:

(i) Entrance to the extraction areas and any cannabis storage areas shall be locked at all times, and under the control of facility staff.

(ii) Cannabis shall be stored in buildings that are completely enclosed, and in a locked vault or safe, or other secured storage structure which is bolted to the floor or structure of the premises.

(iii) Windows and roof hatches of the premises shall be secured from the inside with effective means so as to prevent unauthorized entry, and shall be equipped with latches or a similar mechanism that may be released quickly from the inside to allow exit in the event of emergency in compliance with all applicable building provisions in the Code.

(d) If using CO₂ in processing, a professional grade closed-loop CO₂ gas extraction system rated to a minimum of fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds per square inch (PSI) is required for every vessel in the system.

- (e) Extraction processes shall use a commercially manufactured professional grade closed-loop extraction system designed to recover the solvents and built to codes of recognized and generally accepted sound engineering practices, such as (i) The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME); (ii) American National Standards Institute (ANSI); (iii) Underwriters Laboratories (UL); or (iv) The American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM).
- (f) Volatile extraction operations shall occur in a spark-proof, explosion-proof room equipped with evacuation fans and lower explosive limit (LEL) detectors.
- (g) Carbon filter fans or equivalent superior filters/scrubbers shall be required to eliminate odor discharges to neighboring properties.
- (h) A Waste Management/Disposal Plan shall be submitted describing any produced wastes, including by-products, recycling, reusing, recovery, storage, diversion and handling and disposal.
- (i) Manufacturers of edibles shall comply with the regulations in the California Health and Safety Code, which includes the California Retail Food Code administered by the California Department of Health Services - Food and Drug Branch, California Department of Food and Agriculture and the County Department of Environmental Health.
- (j) Comply with any special conditions applicable to that permit or parcel which may be imposed as a condition of the required Conditional Use Permit.

(12) Performance Standards for Testing Laboratories

- (a) Entrance to the lab area and any cannabis storage areas shall be locked at all times, and under the control of facility staff.
- (b) Cannabis shall be stored in a secured and locked room, vault or safe, or other secured storage structure which is bolted to the floor or structure of the premises.
- (c) Windows and roof hatches of the premises shall be secured from the inside with effective means so as to prevent unauthorized entry, and shall be equipped with latches or a similar mechanism that may be released quickly from the inside to allow exit in the event of emergency in compliance with all applicable building provisions in the California Building Code.

- (d) All laboratory testing facilities shall comply with Sections 19341 through 19345 of the California Business and Professions Code.
- (e) Comply with any special conditions applicable to that permit or parcel which may be imposed as a condition of the required Conditional Use Permit.

(13) Performance Standards for Health and Wellness Centers

- (a) Health and Wellness Centers shall not sell or distribute cannabis flowers, trim, leaf or cannabis infused edibles.
- (b) The facility shall be alarmed with an audible interior and exterior alarm system, unless waived for extenuating circumstances by the Planning Commission that is operated and monitored by a recognized security company, deemed acceptable by the Planning Commission. Any change in the security company shall be subject to the approval of the City Manager or his designee. All current contact information regarding the medical marijuana facility's security company shall be provided to the City.
- (c) Security cameras shall be installed and maintained in good condition, and used in an on-going manner with at least 720 concurrent hours of digitally recorded documentation in a format approved by the Planning Commission. The cameras shall be in use 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The areas to be covered by the security cameras shall include, but are not limited to, the public areas, processing areas, storage areas, employee areas, all doors and windows, and any other areas as determined to be necessary by the Planning Commission.
- (d) Entrance to the any medical cannabis products storage areas shall be locked at all times, and under the control of facility staff.
- (e) Medical cannabis products shall be stored in a secured and locked room, vault or safe, or other secured storage structure which is bolted to the floor or structure of the premises.
- (f) The sale of any medical cannabis products shall be limited to qualified patients, as defined in Section 11362.7 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (g) Medical cannabis may not be inhaled, smoked, eaten, ingested, vaped, or consumed at the premises and/or location.
- (h) The sales of pipes, including water pipes and other paraphernalia are prohibited.

(14) Term of Conditional Use Permit.

Any Conditional Use Permit issued pursuant to this section shall expire after one (1) year after date of issuance, and on the anniversary date of such issuance each year thereafter, unless the required compliance inspections have been conducted and the permitted site has been found to comply with all conditions of approval and the renewal fee and operation fee submitted.

- (a) Permit Renewal. A Permit renewal application, renewal fee and operating fee must be submitted at least forty-five (45) days before the expiration of the Permit. Failure to submit a renewal application prior to the expiration date of the license will result in the automatic expiration of the Permit on the expiration date. A Permit may not be renewed if any violations of or non-compliance with the Permit or these regulations exists. Permit renewal is subject to the laws and regulations effective at the time of renewal, which may be substantially different than the regulations currently in place and may require the submittal of additional information to ensure the new standards are met.

(15) Changes to Ownership or Modification to Premises.

A Conditional Use Permit is non-transferable to another location and no transfer to another Owner or modifications to a permitted facility may be made except in accordance with these regulations.

- (a) Transfer of Ownership. A request for change in Permit ownership shall be submitted to the City at least sixty (60) days prior to the anticipated transfer, together with the required fee. Requests submitted less than sixty (60) days before the transfer will be processed only in the City's discretion and may be subject to an expedited processing fee. A new Owner(s) shall meet all requirements for applicants of an initial permit. The request shall include the following information:
- i. Identify information for the new Owner(s) and management as required by the initial permit application, including names and contact information and Section 17.30.195(i) of the Rio Dell Municipal Code; and
 - ii. The specific date on which the transfer is to occur; and

iii. Acknowledgement of full responsibility for complying with the existing permit and any conditions attached thereto.

(b) Modifications to the Facility. Prior to making any modifications to a permitted facility, the permittee shall submit to the City, at least thirty (30) days in advance of initiating the modifications, a request for determination of City approvals, together with the appropriate fee. The request shall contain a detailed description to allow the City to determine what, if any permits and/or other approvals are needed.

(16) Inspections

Each permitted activity is subject to a minimum of at least one quarterly on-site compliance inspection, to be conducted by appropriate City officials during regular business hours (Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, excluding holidays). The applicant shall be required to pay the Inspection Fee in effect at that time.

If the inspector or other City official determines that the site does not comply with the conditions of approval, the inspector shall serve the permit holder with a written statement identifying the items not in compliance, and the action that the permit holder may take to cure the non-compliance, or file an appeal within ten (10) days of the date that the written statement is delivered to the permit holder. Personal delivery or mailing the written statement to the mailing address listed on the application by regular mail, plus three (3) days after date of mailing, shall constitute delivery. The permit holder may request a reinspection to determine whether or not the permit holder has cured all issues of non-compliance. Failure to request reinspection or to cure any items of noncompliance shall terminate the Conditional Use Permit and License, immediately upon the expiration of any appeal period, or final determination of the appeal if an appeal has been timely filed.

(17) Appeal of Inspection Determination

Within ten (10) business days after delivery of the statement of non-compliance, the determination by the inspector that the site is or is not in compliance may be appealed by any interested party to the Planning Commission. The appeal shall be made, in writing, on a form provided by the City. The fee for filing the appeal is based on the adopted fee schedule in effect at the time of the appeal.

- (a) The appeal shall be heard by the Planning Commission within thirty (30) days following the filing of the appeal. The Planning Commission shall render a written ruling on the appeal within three (3) business days following the hearing.
- (b) The decision of the Planning Commission may be appealed to the City Council in accordance with Section 17.35.050 of the Rio Dell Municipal Code. If a timely appeal to the City Council is not filed, the ruling by the Planning Commission shall be final.

(18) Revocation by Operation of Law

Any Conditional Use Permit issued under this Section shall be revoked by operation of law, and without prior notice to the permit holder, in the event the permitted activity is made illegal under the laws of the State of California.

The City shall notify any state license authority, as defined by the Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), whenever the Conditional Use Permit and License has been revoked or terminated.

(19) Fees, Taxes and Other Charges

The Council may establish fees, taxes or other charges for a commercial cannabis activity permit by resolution or ordinance. The failure to pay all applicable fees, taxes and other charges when due shall be a violation of the Section as contemplated by subsection 17.30.195(5), above.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing Ordinance was duly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rio Dell on February 6, 2018 and furthermore the forgoing Ordinance was passed, approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rio Dell, held on the February 20, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Wilson, Garnes, Johnson, Marks
NOES: Strahan
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Frank Wilson

Frank Wilson, Mayor

ATTEST:

I, Karen Dunham, City Clerk for the City of Rio Dell, State of California, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 364-2018 which was passed, approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rio Dell, held on February 20, 2018.

Karen Dunham

Karen Dunham, City Clerk, City of Rio Dell