

Dear Committee Members, My wife and I strongly support HB 3239. We moved to Chehalem Mountain almost one year ago. We were very distressed to learn that a cannabis chemical processing facility was approved and is being built less than 2 miles from us. The fire up here last year was a scary event, we had to evacuate for 3 days. The danger of this facility to cause an uncontrollable fire is very real. The owners of this facility say that it is safe and all precautions are being followed. The huge ethanol fire in Cornelius demonstrates that precautions are often not enough, as it was just determined that the fire and explosions were caused by static electricity! To extinguish this fire required a special chemical truck from PDX airport . Access to the cannabis facility is limited by dirt roads, The area is heavily forested with lack of water hydrants. Chemical processing facilities do not belong on this mountain or in any neighborhood or rural area. They belong in industrial areas , where fires and other emergencies can be handled effectively! Please support HB 3239, Oregon will be a better and safer state because of it.

Thank you, Dr Ken and Roz Winter