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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **PUBLIC MEETING IN NORTH COUNTY ON THE FUTURE OF CANNABIS OPERATIONS IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

**WHAT:** The public is invited to attend a meeting in Santa Maria to provide input to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Board of Supervisors and ask questions regarding the regulation of medical and recreational cannabis. Topics for discussion include the future of business licensing, land use permitting, and fees and taxation. For information, go to [www.countyofsb.org/cannabis-committee.sbc](http://www.countyofsb.org/cannabis-committee.sbc).

**WHY:** The Board has discretion in allowing or prohibiting various cannabis related business activities, including establishment of local regulations, business licensing, and land use permitting, in combination with state regulation and licensing through California's medical cannabis statutes and the statutes approved by California voters through Proposition 64.

**OTHER:** On April 11, 2017, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance establishing a limited term, non-personal cannabis cultivation and related Operations Registry Program within the unincorporated areas of the county. The ordinance was developed in response to medical and recreational marijuana (cannabis) cultivation following the passage of Proposition 64 by California voters in the November 2016 general election.

The registry program closes June 30, 2017, and will not be used to collect information regarding those who are cultivating cannabis for personal use as allowed by County Code and state law.

**WHEN:** 2-4 p.m. Friday, June 30, 2017  
Santa Maria Betteravia County Admin Complex – Hearing Room  
511 E. Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria 93454

**WHO:** First District County Supervisor Das Williams  
Fifth District County Supervisor Steve Lavagnino  
County Executive Office  
County Agricultural Commissioner  
County District Attorney  
County Planning & Development  
County Public Health/Environmental Health  
County Sheriff Office