

# PROPOSED POLICIES FOR REGULATION OF COMMERCIAL CANNABIS IN UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREAS

In December 2017, the County's Office of Cannabis Management released a set of proposed cannabis policies, which are summarized below. Note that these policies have not yet been adopted and are subject to change. For the latest information, along with more detailed descriptions and analysis of each proposed policy, please visit [cannabis.lacounty.gov/proposed-policies](http://cannabis.lacounty.gov/proposed-policies).



## Cannabis Commission

- Establish a five-member Cannabis Commission to conduct public hearings for cannabis business applications.
- The Commission would exercise discretion to approve, conditionally approve, or deny applications, and would be authorized to impose conditions of approval as necessary to mitigate impacts associated with a proposed cannabis business.



## Strategic Permitting Phase-In

- Implement a phased-in approach to cannabis permitting in unincorporated areas that will initially allow a maximum of 20 cannabis stores, 20 delivery-only services, 10 cultivators, 10 manufacturers, 10 distributors, and 10 testing laboratories countywide.
- Permits for cannabis retail stores and delivery-only services will be allocated by Supervisorial District, based on unincorporated area population, with no more than five retail stores and five delivery-only services per district.



## Zoning

- Allow cannabis retail stores, delivery-only services, and testing laboratories in heavy commercial and manufacturing zones.
- Allow all other cannabis business types in manufacturing zones only.
- Prohibit commercial cannabis activity in all other zones, including agricultural and residential zones.



## Buffers from Sensitive Uses

- Require that cannabis retail stores be located at least 1,000 feet from schools (K-12); 600 feet from day cares (including preschools), public parks, public libraries, drug and alcohol treatment facilities, and other cannabis stores, and 300 feet from offsite alcohol sales such as liquor stores.
- Require that all other cannabis businesses be located at least 1,000 feet from schools (K-12), and 600 feet from day cares (including preschools), public parks, and public libraries.

For more information, contact the Los Angeles County Office of Cannabis Management at [cannabis@lacounty.gov](mailto:cannabis@lacounty.gov) or visit [cannabis.lacounty.gov](http://cannabis.lacounty.gov).

