



# MARIJUANA GROWERS CAN BE DANGEROUS!

*Leave Investigations to Law Enforcement Officers*



## DO's and DON'Ts

The following are recommended dos and don'ts which apply upon discovery of a marijuana garden:

**DO** your best to know your exact location by use of existing landmarks, maps or GPS coordinates. This will be helpful when relating the location of the garden to law enforcement authorities.

**DO** make note of any vehicles or persons in or around the area.

**DO** exit the area on the same route you entered.

**DO** notify law enforcement authorities immediately.

**DO** keep this information to yourself after notifying the proper authority.

**DO** HELP US

**DON'T** enter a garden area, or go any closer than is necessary to identify the plant(s) as being marijuana

**DON'T** look around the areas for additional plants or garden sites.

**DON'T** take a sample plant or segment of a plant with you.

**DON'T** leave any unnecessary sign of your presence in the area.

**DON'T** return to the area unless accompanied by law enforcement authorities.

Contact your nearest federal, state or local law enforcement agency or call the **Drug Enforcement Administration at (208)334-1620**

**Look for these signs...**  
they may indicate the illegal growing of marijuana

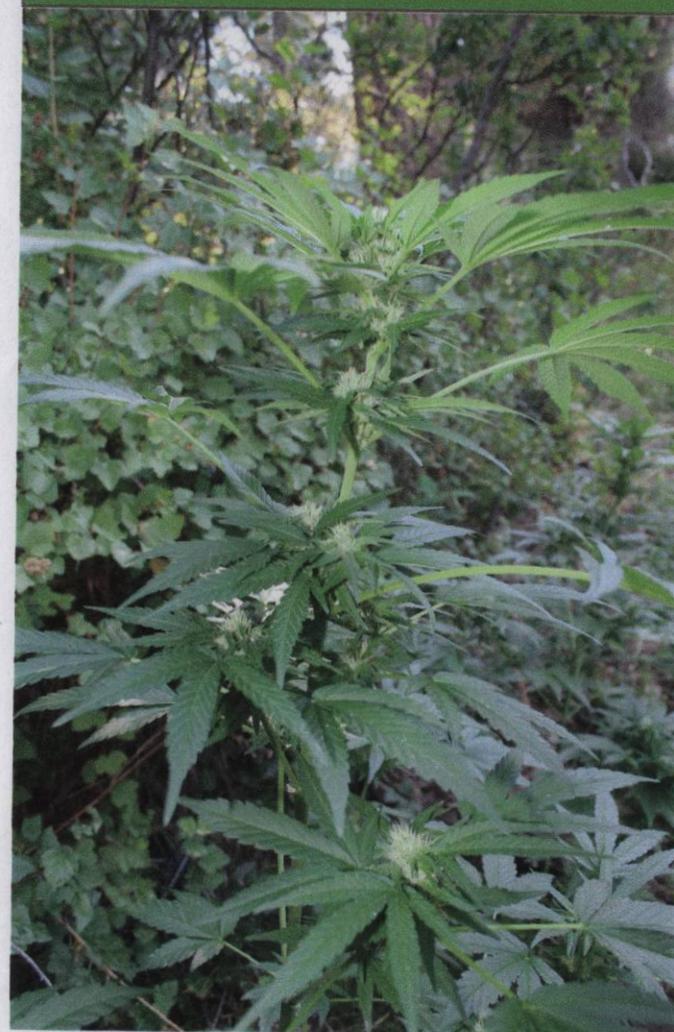
1. The clearing of brush and timber
2. Signs of cultivation/soil disturbance in unlikely areas.
3. Unusual structures located in remote areas to include those made from cut brush and timber as well as tents erected in unusual areas.
4. Buckets, garden tools, fertilizer bags, propane tanks, etc.
5. Plastic/PVC sprinkler piping coming from streams and placed onto hidden/covered hillside areas.
6. Large purchases by individuals of fertilizer, garden hoses, plastic PVC pipe, chicken wire, different size pots (utilized for different stages of growing plants), machetes, camouflage netting, camouflage clothing, etc.
7. Garbage in remote locations

**WANTED**

YOUR HELP IN  
LOCATING  
MARIJUANA  
GROWN ON PUBLIC LAND

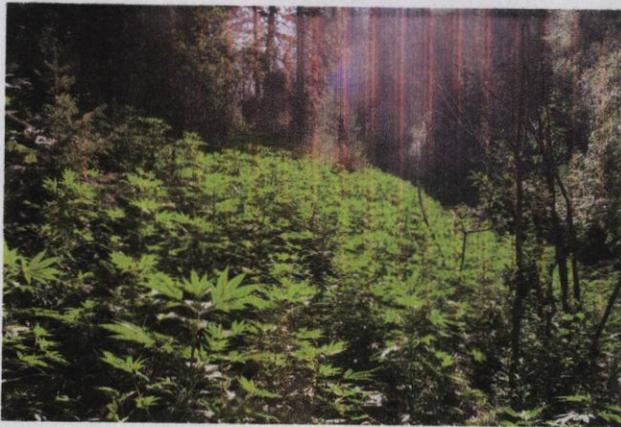


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**Public lands are becoming increasingly popular for the growing and harvesting of marijuana.**

With high grade Sinsemilla marijuana selling for as much as \$2,000 per pound, the profits from this illegal activity can range into the millions of dollars and have a severe impact on the economy of our country.



These illicit growing operations are occurring throughout the country.

Authorities have been working to stop this illegal farming.

**Your assistance is needed to help stop marijuana on our public lands.**



## **Why has public land become more attractive for this illegal activity?**

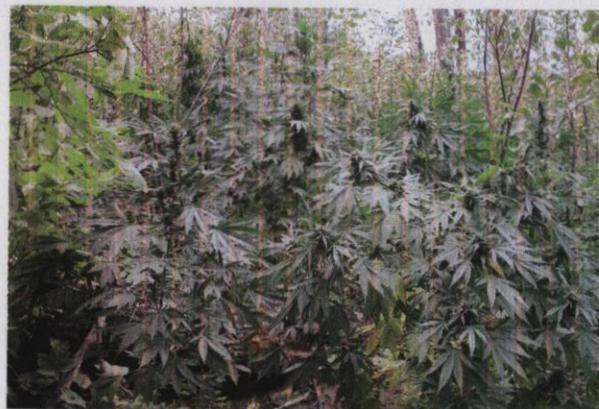
Public lands are vast and uninhabited with many areas of rich, fertile soil and a climate that provides the necessary weather conditions for the growing of marijuana.

## **How do these illegal operations work?**

Seasonal marijuana operations have been conducted on lands of all ownership. In addition, some individuals and/or groups prefer to grow marijuana in a greenhouse or residence where year-round harvests are possible.

However, due to increased law enforcement efforts, many individuals have elected to grow their illegal crops on publicly owned lands where isolation and limited public access lessen the likelihood of accidental detection.

Law enforcement officials in the State of Idaho are concerned with the illegal cultivation of marijuana. Information from all law enforcement officials will be shared in a continuous effort to identify individuals and organizations which are engaged in the illegal growing of marijuana. Your law enforcement community wants to eliminate the growing of this illegal crop, but we need your help.



## **Why should you care?**

- Marijuana cultivation is against the law
- Every year across the country there have been increasing number of reports of hikers, hunters and campers being intimidated by marijuana growers.
- These campers, hikers and hunters are at risk of being assaulted or shot by marijuana growers trying to protect their illegal crop.
- Law enforcement continue to seize firearms (including assault weapons) and booby traps which pose deadly threats to hikers, campers and hunters.
- Marijuana growers typically live in the forest for extended periods of time often leaving garbage and destroying the surrounding pristine areas where the harvesting is taking place.

