

**ROYAL SUN FARM, LLC**  
MCN282001

**BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Royal Sun Farm, LLC  
69 Gardner Rd, Hubbardston, MA 01452

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation) and information regarding the application submission:

Cultivation, Tier 6/Outdoor (40,001 – 50,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

An individual associated with this application is also associated with a cultivation and product manufacturing application under the name Royalston Farms, LLC.

4. List of all required individuals and their business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Damon Schmidt	Owner / Partner

5. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this proposed Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Participant and License Type)  
(70% ownership—Damon Schmidt—SE303857)



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on May 7, 2020.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 6, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on December 18, 2020 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	In year one, Royal Sun Farm will successfully train, mentor, and help launch a new marijuana business for a minimum of one (1) Social Equity participant.

### **SUITABILITY REVIEW**

11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW**

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within two (2) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:  
  
Monday – Sunday: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
15. The applicant submitted all applicable and required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit women (25%), minorities (10%), veterans (5%), people with disabilities (5%), people who identify as LGBTQ+ for its hiring initiatives.



17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations;
2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, an updated Diversity Plan that provides any hiring goals for LGBTQ residents;
4. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications;
5. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff; and
6. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.

