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TRIANGLE:

# CARTTEL CALIFORNIA



## California's Emerald Triangle Exposed as Hotbed of Cartel Crime and Corruption

California's infamous Emerald Triangle—a three-county area in Northern California encompassing Trinity, Humboldt, and Mendocino Counties—where an estimated 70% of the world's illegal cannabis is grown, harvested, and distributed is the setting for J.B. Blodgett's THE EMERALD TRIANGLE SERIES.

Learn how over thirty transnational cartels have moved into California with their illegal drug running, human trafficking, gun running, money laundering, and other criminal operations, creating a world of crime that operates unseen by most of us but impacts all of us.

1 [Marijuana wars: Violent Mexican drug cartels turn Northern California into 'The Wild West'](#) - by Beth Warren, Investigative/Enterprise reporter at The Courier-Journal, Louisville, KY. Published in USA Today.

2 [Cartels are Turning our National Forests into a War Zone](#) - Story by Rep. Doug LaMalfa (R-Calif.) Opinion, Published in THE HILL.

3 [In Secretive Marijuana Industry, Whispers of Abuse and Trafficking](#) - Story by Shoshana Walter of REVEAL, shown on KQED website.