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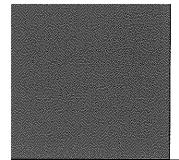
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APPLICATION FOR USE PERMIT

FOR OUTFOR LOT AND A	
ZONING DISTRICT: AW	ORIGINAL - 5.14.07 Date Submitted: RESUBMIT - 2.7.08
REQUEST: UPMOD TO ALLOW A PRODUCTION INCREASE	Date Complete:
To 29000 G.P.Y., A NEW 8,174 & WINERY*INCLUDING	
CAVES, AN EXCEPTION TO THE ROAD SY STREET	Date Published:
STANDARDS, A CON. REG. UP. EXCEPTION (SLOPE	ZA CDPC BS APPFAI
=30%) & AWILLER ROAN SETERAL	
VARIANCE (SEE PO8-00080 VAR) *incl. 4,216/4 of cares	Hearing Action
TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT (Please type or print legibly)	
Applicant's Name: Sage Hill Vineyards, LLC	
Telephone #:(20) 264-4949 Fax #: (20)3 206-6191 E-N	Mail: manuel@morsewatchman
No. Sireel Oxford	<u>CT</u> 06478
Status of Applicant's Interest in Property: Owner	State Zip
Property Owners Name: Same	III
Telephone #:() - Fax #: () - E-M	ail:
ivialing Address.	#
Site Address/Location: 1535 SAGE CANYON RD. ST. HELENA	CA 94574
Assessor's Parcel #: 032-010-079 Existing Parcel Size:	1154
certify that all the information contained in this application, including but not limited to the information sheet, site plan, floor plan, building elevations, water supply/waste disposal system of accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize such investigations including eemed necessary by the county Planning Division for preparation of reports related to this roperty involved. Signature of Applicant Date Signature of Applicant	information sheet, water supply/waste disposal m site plan and toxic materials list, is complete access to County Assessor's Records as are application, including the right of access to the
by: Manuel	Vineyards, LLC miName Pires, Manager
TO BE COMPLETED BY CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT AND PLANA Application Fee Deposit: \$ 11,000 Receipt No. 632.64 67 G56.94 Received by otal Fees will be based on actual time and materials	C.CAHILL Date: 5.14.075x

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RE:

Sage Hill Vineyards, LLC

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Use Permit Application

Dear Chris:

1211 Division Street Napa, California 94559-3398 Tel 707.252.9100 Fax 707.252.8516

Included with this letter is our client's Use Permit Application and Variance Application.

1312 Oak Avenue St. Helena, California 94574-1943 Tel 707.963.5202 Fax 707.963.4519 As you know, we originally applied for a use permit to expand production of the existing small winery, from 5,000 gallons per year to 20,000 gallons per year, in May of 2007. You informed us during staff review that the proposed building site appeared to be within a large landslide area, according to the County's geologic maps. As a result, our client retained Mark Peterson of Condor Earth Technologies to do a site inspection and dig test pits in order to locate a viable site. After a thorough inspection of the 117 acre parcel and digging multiple test pits, Mr. Peterson concluded that the proposed site is the only viable site on the property, since it is outside the area of the ancient landslide and is supported by rock. You will notice from the site plan and the engineer's drawings that the proposed winery location is precisely located where multiple test pits were dug.

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Unfortunately, as a result of the ancient landslide, the proposed winery site is less than 300 feet from the private driveway. Accordingly, a variance is also required in order to proceed with the winery. A variance application with a check for \$4,406 is also included with this application to cover your processing fee. The recent report of Condor Earth Technologies is attached to the application, supporting the grounds for the variance.

As a further result of the size and scope of the landslide area on the property, our consulting engineer, Jesse Salmon of Reichers Spence, Spence & Associates, has concluded that the slope on the winery site is 39%. The county code would ordinarily require no building on a site with this grade; however, an exception applies under

circumstances such as these pursuant to the County Code. We will address the seven conditions set forth in the Code when we file the application with you today.

Third, Nathan Galambos's letter to our client in the spring of 2005 is included with the application in order to address our request for a road exception from the customary 20 foot width required by the county for a commercial driveway. You should also have in your file a list of trees along the full length of the driveway from Sage Canyon Road to the site, justifying the basis for our request for this exception.

Finally, you know, the City of Napa objected to our original application; however, we have previously filed with you a signed agreement our client has reached with the City, mitigating the City's grounds for objection.

Please contact me directly as comments from staff and other departments and/or the public are received.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

L. Randolph Skidmore

kmm/lrs/20932-0004 cc: Manuel Pires

Tom Flaherty, Jesse Salmon

INFORMATION SHEET

l.	USE	
	A.	Description of Proposed Use (attached detailed description as necessary) (including where appropriate product/service provided):
	В.	Project Phases: [] one [] two [] more than two (please specify):
	С.	
	D.	Estimated Completion Date for Each Phase: Phase 1: 2008 Phase 2:
	D.	Actual Construction Time Required for Each Phase: [] less than 3 months * More than 3 months
	E.	Related Necessary On- And Off-Site Concurrent or Subsequent Projects:waste water treatment
	F.	Additional Licenses/Approval Required:
		District: Regional:
		State: Federal:
11.	BUIL	DINGS/ROADS/DRIVEWAY/LEACH FIELD, ETC.
	A.	Floor Area/Impervious area of Project (in square ft): Building and parking = 11,602 Proposed total floor area on site: building (w/o caves) 1 story = 3,458 Total development area (building, impervious, leach field, driveway, etc.) New construction:
		existing structures or existing structures or portions thereof to be utilized: n/a moved: n/a
	B.	Floor Area devoted to each separate use (in square ft):
	S	living: storage/warehouse: 666 offices: 163 sales: caves: 4,266 other: 3,079 eptic/leach field: roads/driveways:
	C.	Maximum Building Height: existing structures: n/a new construction: 30 ft ±
	D.	Type of New Construction (e.g., wood-frame): concrete, steel, stone, wood frame
	E.	Height of Crane necessary for construction of new buildings (airport environs): n/a
	F.	Type of Exterior Night Lighting Proposed: 1ow ballard lights @ parking
	G.	Viewshed Ordinance Applicable (See County Code Section 18.106): Yes No x
	H.	Fire Resistivity (check one; If not checked, Fire Department will assume Type V – non rated): Type I FR Type II 1 Hr Type II N (non-rated) Type IV H.T. (Heavy Timber) Type V 1 Hr. Type V (non-rated) (Reference Table 6 A of the 2001 California Building Code)
III.	PARK	CING <u>Existing</u> <u>Proposed</u>
	A.	Total On-Site Parking Spaces: n/a 4
	B.	Customer Parking Spaces: n/a 2
	C.	Employee Parking Spaces: n/a 2
	D.	Loading Areas: n/a 1

IV.	TYI	PICAL OPERATION	Existing	Proposed
	A.	Days of Operation:	<u>=7.10.11.15</u>	365
	B.	Expected Hours of Operation:		9-6 Mon-Sat &
	C.	Anticipated Number of Shifts:		9-6 Mon-Sat & 9-12 Sun. 1-2
	D.	Expected Number of Full-Time Employees/Shift:	<u> </u>	1
	E.	Expected Number of Part-Time Employees/Shift:		2
	F.	Anticipated Number of Visitors • busiest day:		6
		average/week:		18
	G.	Anticipated Number of Deliveries/Pickups • busiest day: • average/week:		18 56
V.	SUF	PPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR SELECTED US	ES	-
	A.	Commercial Meeting Facilities Food Serving Facilities		
		restaurant/deli seating capacity:bar seating capacity:public meeting room seating capacity:assembly capacity:		
	В.	Residential Care Facilities (6 or more residents) Day Care Centers • type of care: • total number of guests/children: • total number of bedrooms: • distance to nearest existing/approved facility/center:	Existing	Proposed n/a n/a n/a n/a

WATER SUPPLY/WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION SHEET

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l.	W	/ATER SUPPLY	<u>Domestic</u>	Emergency
	A.	 Proposed source of Water (eg., spring, well, mutual water company, city, district, etc.): 	_well	well
	В.	Name of Proposed Water Supplier (if water company, city, district): annexation needed?	<u>n/a</u> Yes <u> </u>	<u>n/a</u> YesNo
	C.	Current Water Use (in gallons/day): Current water source:	-7096 -well	
	D.	Anticipated Future Water Demand (in gallons/day):	9547	***************************************
	E.	Water Availability (in gallons/minute):	30+	
	F.	Capacity of Water Storage System (gallons):	31,500	18,000
	G.	Nature of Storage Facility (eg., tank, reservoir, swimming pool, etc.):	tank	tank
	F.	Completed Phase I Analysis Sheet (Attached):	attached	
II. L	_IQ	UID WASTE	<u>Domestic</u>	<u>Other</u>
	A.	Disposal Method (e.g., on-site septic system on-site ponds, community system, district, etc.):	(sewage) on-site septic	(please specify)
	B.	Name of Disposal Agency (if sewage district, city, community system): annexation needed?	n/a Yes No	n/a Yes No
	C.	Current Waste Flows (peak flow in gallons/day):	50 0 ±	
	D.	Anticipated Future Waste Flows (peak flows in gallons/day):	1,000	
	E.	Future Waste Disposal Capacity (in gallons/day):	1,000	
III. S	OL	ID WASTE DISPOSAL		
A	۹.	Operational Wastes (on-site, landfill, garbage co., etc.):	on site	
E	3.	Grading Spoils (on-site, landfill, construction, etc.):	on site	
IV. F	ΙΑZ	ZARDOUS/TOXIC MATERIALS (Please fill out attached h	azardous materials information s	heet, attached)
		Disposal Method (on-site, landfill, garbage co., waste hauler, etc.):		**************************************
		Name of Disposal Agency (if landfill, garbage co., private hauler, etc.):		

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Parcel Location Factors

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The allowable allotment of water is based on the location of your parcel.

NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPT.

There are 3 different location classifications. Valley floor areas include all locations that are within the Napa Valley, Pope Valley and Carneros Region, except for areas specified as groundwater deficient areas. Groundwater deficient areas are areas that have been determined by the public works department as having a history of problems with groundwater. All other areas are classified as Mountain Areas. Please circle your location classification below (Public Works can assist you in determining your classification if necessary):

Valley Floor

1.0 acre feet per acre per year

Mountain Areas

0.5 acre feet per acre per year

MST Groundwater Deficient Area

0.3 acre feet per acre per year

Assessors Parcel Number(s)	Parcel Size (A)	Parcel Location Factor (B)	Allowable Water Allotment (A) X (B)
032-010-059	116 Acres	.05 Mountain	57 acft/yr

Step #3:

Using the guidelines in Attachment A, tabulate the existing and projected future water usage on the parcel(s) in acre-feet per year (af/yr). Transfer the information from the guidelines to the table below.

EXISTING USE:			PROPOSED USE:		•
Residential	0.50	af/yr	Residential	0.50	af/yr
Farm Labor Dwelling		af/yr	Farm Labor Dwelling]	af/yr
Winery	0.25	af/yr	Winery	0.657	af/yr
Commercial		af/yr	Commercial		af/yr
Vineyard*	7.0	af/yr	Vineyard*	7.0	af/yr
Other Agriculture		af/yr	Other Agriculture		af/yr
Landscaping		af/yr	Landscaping		af/yr
Other Usage (List Se	parately)	:	Other Usage (List S	eparately)	•
second dwelling	0.20	_af/yr	second dwelling	0.20	_af/yr
		_af/yr			_af/yr
		_af/yr		<u></u>	_af/yr
TOTAL:	7.95	af/yr	TOTAL:	8.36	af/yr
TOTAL:	2.59mi	ɪgallons**	TOTAL:	2.72 mil	gallons

Is the proposed use less than the existing usage	() Yes	(xx) No	() Equal
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^{*}Water use for vineyards should be no lower than 0.2 AF—unless irrigation records are available that show otherwise.

^{**}To determine your existing and proposed total water use in gallons, multiply the totals (in acre- feet) by 325,821 gal/AF.

Step #4:

Provide any other information that may be significant to this analysis. For example, any calculations supporting your estimates, well test information including draw down over time, historical water data, visual observations of water levels, well drilling information, changes in neighboring land uses, the usage if other water sources such as city water or reservoirs, the timing of the development, etc. Use additional sheets if necessary.

The proposed water usage is significanltly less than the allowable water allotment. Included are well 2 pump tests report.

Conclusion: Congratulations! Just sign the form and you are done! Public works staff will now compare your projected future water usage with a threshold of use as determined for your parcel(s) size, location, topography, rainfall, soil types, historical water data for your area, and other hydrogeologic information. They will use the above information to evaluate if your proposed project will have a detrimental effect on groundwater levels and/or neighboring well levels. Should that evaluation result in a determination that your project may adversely impact neighboring water levels, a phase two water analysis may be required. You will be advised of such a decision.

Date: 2-07-8 Phone:203-264-4949

Signature:

USE PERMIT APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SHEET FOR WINERY USES

1.	Operations. (In the blank in front of each operation an "X" for Expanding, or an "N" for None.)	n, place an "E" for Existing, a "P" for Proposed
	 a. X_crushing b. x_fermentation c. x_barrel ageing d. x_bottling e. x_case goods storage f. x_caves: use: p_barrel storage p_case goods storage other accessibility to public: none - no visitors/tours/events x_guided tours only public access - no guides/unescorted x_marketing events and/or temporary events 	g. X_underground waste disposal h. N_above-ground waste disposal i. X_administration office j. N_laboratories k. N_daycare l. X_tours/tastings: N_public drop-in X_public by appointment X_wine trade m. P_retail wine sales public drop-in P_public by appointment n. N_public display of art or wine-related items o. N_food preparation
2.	Marketing Activities. (Describe the nature of an above including the type of events, whether publication attendance, etc. Differentiate between existing and necessary): 5 private events per year than 15 people per event. With on-sevent per year during the Wine Auctor the production limits approved be preparation.	y marketing or educational events not listed olic or private, frequency of events, average proposed activities. Attach additional sheets it with distributors with no more ite meal service. One private ion with the lesser of 50 people
3.	Food Service. (Describe the nature of any food service, whether profit or non-profit, frequency of service equipment, eating facilities, etc. Differentiate between additional sheets if necessary: With no more than 15 people per every with garbage disposal, stove, oven	vice, whether prepared on site or not, kitchen en existing and proposed food service. Attach for 5 private events per year nt. Small on-site kitchen
4.	Production Capacity. a. existing capacity: 5,000 gallon b. current maximum actual production (year): c. proposed capacity: 20,000 gallon	()
5.	Grape Origin. (Fill out a "Initial Statement of Grape expanding an existing winery development area and	Source" form if establishing a new winery or include with application form.)

6.	Winery Development Area. (see a below - for existing winery facilities) Will the project involve construction of additional facilities beyond the winery development area?no
7.	Total Winery Coverage. (see b below – maximum 25% of parcel or 15 acres, whichever is less) a. square feet/acres:
8.	Production Facility. (see c below – include the square footage of all floors for each structure) a. square feet: $\frac{2,786+4,266}{(cave)} = \frac{7,052}{}$
9.	Accessory Use. (see d below – maximum permitted 40% of the production facility) a. square feet: $1122~{\rm SF}$ b. percent of production facility: 16%

Marketing Definition: (paraphrased from County Code)

Marketing of Wine – Any activity conducted at the winery shall be limited to members of the wine trade, persons, who have pre-established business or personal relationships with the winery or its owners, or members of a particular group for which the activity is being conducted on a prearranged basis. Marketing of wine is limited to activities for the education and development of the persons or groups listed above with respect to wine which can be sold at the winery on a retail basis and may include food service without charge except to the extent of cost recovery when provided in association with such education and development but shall not include cultural and social events unrelated to such education and development.

Coverage and Use Definitions: (paraphrased from County Code)

- a. Winery Development Area All aggregate paved or impervious or semi-permeable ground surface areas of the production facility which includes all storage areas (except caves), offices, laboratories, kitchens, tasting rooms and paved parking areas for the exclusive use of winery employees.
- b. Winery Coverage The total square foot area of all winery building footprints, all aggregate paved or impervious ground surface areas of the production facility which includes all outside work, tank and storage areas (except caves); all paved areas including parking and loading areas, walkways, and access driveways to public or private roads or rights-of-way; and all above-ground wastewater and run-off treatment systems.
- c. Production Facility (For the purpose to calculate the maximum allowable accessory use) The total square footage of all winery crushing, fermenting, bottling, bulk and bottle storage, shipping, receiving, laboratory, equipment storage and maintenance facilities, and employee-designated restrooms but does not include wastewater treatment or disposal areas which cannot be used for agricultural purposes.
- d. Accessory Use The total square footage of area within winery structures used for accessory uses related to a winery that are not defined as "production facility" which would include offices, lobbies/waiting rooms, conference/meeting rooms, non-production access hallways, kitchens, tasting rooms (private and public areas), retail space areas, libraries, non-employee designated restrooms, art display areas, or any area within winery structures not directly related to wine production.

WINERY CALCULATION WORKSHEET

1. WINERY COVERAGE

Footprint of all winery structures	3,458 SF
Outside work areas	0
Tank areas	-1126_SF
Storage areas (excluding caves)	666 SF
All paved areas:	•
Parking areas	3,942 SF
Loading areas	and and an
Walkways	1.855 SF
Access driveways to the public or private rd	2,347 SF
Above-ground wastewater and run-off treatn	nent systems:
Wastewater pond or SDSD	
Spray disposal field	
Parcel size: 115± acres	Percent of winery coverage of parcel size:
Total winery coverage: 0.93 acres	Percent of winery coverage of parcel size: 0.81 %

2. PRODUCTION FACILITY

Crushing	797 SF
Fermenting	1.128 SF
Bottling	l n/a
Bulk & bottle storage	4,482 (includes caves)
Shipping	n/a
Receiving	n/a
Laboratory	112.1 SF
Equipment storage & maintenance facilities (excludes fire protection facilities)	450 SF
Employee-designated restrooms	76 SF

3. ACCESSORY USE

Office space	163 SF (office)
Lobbies/waiting rooms	
Conference/meeting rooms	
Non-production access hallways	107gSF (hallway)
Kitchens	109 SF (kitchen)
Tasting rooms (private & public areas)	743 SF (tasting)
Retail space areas	i Land Ling)
Libraries	
Visitor restrooms	
Art display areas	
Any other areas within the winery structure not directly related to production	
al square footage of accessory use space	

TRAFFIC INFORMATION

		Personnel / \	Proje <u>/isitors</u>	ct Trip Generation		Vehicle Trips	
	Operations Daily M – F	Minimum	eting Events Maximum ekends		Operations Daily M – F	Minimum	ng Events Maximum kends
Operating Hours	9-6	9-12	9-12				No. 100
Employees				Employee Trips			
Full-Time	1	1	3	Full-Time	3.2	3.2	9 - 6
Seasonal Peak	2	1	5	Seasonal Peak	6.4	3.2	16
Peak Hours	2	_1	5	Peak Hours	6.4	3.2	16
Total Employees	5	_3	1.3	Total Employee Trips	16.0	9.6	41.6
Event Support Staff				Event Support Staff			
Full-Time	1	1	1	Full-Time	3.2	3.2	3.2
Seasonal Peak	1	1	2	Seasonal Peak	3.2	3.2	6.4
Total Support Staff	2	_2	3	Total Support Staff Trips	6.4	6.4	9.6
Visitors	6	10	1.8	Visitor Trips			
Peak Hours	10	10	50*	Peak Hours			
Total Visitors	16	20	6.8	Total Visitor Trips	see att	achment	
				Total Trucks – Deliveries, Shipping, etc. Trips	see att	achment	78
Grand Total	23	25	84				
Provide supporting do Submit separate sprea operations, include a t	dsheets for ex	isting & prop	ion rates				

		Numbe Seasor	r of People Onsite nal		
	Full-Time	Peak	Marketing Events	Marketing Events	Marketing Events
No. Employees	1				
Support Staff, caterers, clean-up, etc.	1	2	3		
Visitors		10	18		
Residents	4	8	4		
Grand Total	6	20	25		

APPS-Traffic Information

ATTACHMENT

SAGE HILL TRAFFIC CHARACTERISTICS

1. Proposed Production Capacity

20,000 gallons or 8,403 cases (2.38 gallons/case)

2. Grapes Processed

165 gallons/ton crushed = 121 tons On site 17.5 acres x 3 tons/acre = 52.5 tons 5 additional acres by 2010 = 67.5 tons

3. Truck Traffic, Non-Crush

Glass deliveries
2310 cases per truckload
8,403 cases ÷2310 = 3.64 (4 deliveries)

Cork, labels, empty cases
3 deliveries per bottling cycle x 2
Cycles = 6 deliveries

Outbound wine deliveries 2,310 cases per truckload 8,403 cases ÷ 2,310 = 3.64 (4 deliveries)

Total non-crush deliveries: 14

Delivery frequency: 46-48 week non-crush period = One Truck delivery every 24 days

4. Employee/Visitor Traffic

Average daily

2 employees = 4 trips / day 20 visitors / week = 2.86 (3) trips / day

Total: 7 trips/day

Peak daily*

3 employees = 6 trips / day 18 visitors ÷ 2.6 visitors / vehicle = 6.9 (7) trips / day

Total: 13 trips / day

*The annual promotional event shall be attended by no more than 50 people

#4106024.0 February 7, 2008

Nate Galambos Napa County Public Works 1195 Third Street, Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

RE: Sage Hill Vineyards Use Permit
Roadway Modification Site Visit to Lands of Robert B. Long Sr.
APN 032-010-059

Dear Nate:

Manuel Pires is applying for a Use Permit to modify the existing commercial winery facility at 1535 Sage Canyon Road. A private road that begins across from the boat ramp to Lake Hennessy currently serves the parcel. For the safety and welfare of onsite workers, the public and to provide efficient all weather access for emergency service respondents that may visit the site, Section 12 of the Napa County Road and Street Standards requires a minimum access roadway width of 18 feet double chip seal surface with 5 inches of aggregate base plus 2 feet of shoulder. The purpose of this letter is to request an exemption from the Napa County Road and Street Standards for portions of this road.

Based on a site visit conducted in September, 2005 at the site by Drew Lander and yourself, the following conditions exist:

- Existing slopes greater than 30%
- Width reductions are warranted where cuts and fills would otherwise require engineered retaining walls and where traffic passing lanes are inter-visible.
- Large established trees
- Localized roadway reductions are warranted for the large established Pine and Oak trees along the roadway.
- Existing established drainage that would require extensive disturbance in the flow line.

Due to environmental constraints, your department has indicated that they are likely to grant modifications to the County Road and Street Standards. The goal is to achieve the maximum drivable width throughout the entire length to be improved while preserving a rural private road feel. As discussed during the site meeting there are three design considerations that should be incorporated in the final design of the roadway to help achieve the maximum drivable width:

• Where it is determined by an engineer to do so, crown or out-slope roadway to increase sheet flow runoff and reduce concentrated water flow.

- Design drivable swales where drainage is required and the full roadway is not achieved.
- Provide the maximum drivable road width when the standard 20 feet is not achieved

Additionally, you had indicated roadway modifications are feasible for reductions in shoulder width and reductions in road width on a localized basis as needed to retain the large trees and minimize the disturbance on the steep slopes. Drainage swales may be considered as roadway width if designed to be drivable. References to the exception areas are illustrated on the Use Permit plans submitted on February 7, 2008. Any further physical constraints found to impact the achievability of these roadway modifications will be coordinated with the Public Works department. More specifically, the following roadway sections have been determined by your department to be capable of listed improvements:

Station 0+00 to 27+75 shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 6 feet of drivable shoulder with a localized reduction in width at stations 13+75 to 14+50 due to slopes and drainage constraints.

Station 28+00 to 32+00 shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 3 feet of drivable shoulder.

Station 32+00 to 46+50 shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 6 feet of drivable shoulder.

Station 46+50 to 48+66 shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 4 feet of drivable shoulder.

Station 48+66 to 51+50 +/- shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 6 feet of drivable shoulder.

Station 51+25 +/- the winery driveway connects to the roadway. The winery driveway shall obtain a width of 14 feet surfaced roadway plus 6 feet of drivable shoulder with two sections of reduction in width.

Attached is the letter from your office dated March 13, 2006 for reference. Thank you for your consideration of this request for exception to the Road and Street Standards. Please contact me if there are any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Carl Butts, P.E. Project Manager



KOBERT J. PETERSON, P.E. Director of Public Works County Surveyor County Engineer Road Commissioner

COUNTY of NAPA

DONALD G. RIDENHOUR, P.E. Assistant Director of Public Works

March 13th, 2006

Atm: Cathy A. Roche DP&F 809 Coombs Street Napa, CA 94659

Re: Roadway Modification site visit to Lands of Robert B. Long, Sr., APN 032-010-059-000

Dear Cathy Roche:

It is this Department's understanding that the property owner at 1535 Sage Canyon Rd. is investigating the possibility of improving a commercial winery facility on the property. For the safety and welfare of onsite workers, the public and to provide efficient all weather access for emergency service respondents that may visit the site. County code requires a minimum access roadway width of 18 feet double chip seal surface with 5 inches of aggregate base plus 2 feet of shoulder. The Department of Public Works has the authority to grant medifications to the required standards based on existing environmental and physical constraints to ensure the preservation of the unique features of the natural environment.

Based on a site visit conducted in September, 2005 at the site by Drew Lander and Nate Galambos of this department the following conditions exist

Existing slopes greater than 30%

Width reductions are warranted where cuts and fills would otherwise require engineered retaining walls and where traffic passing lanes are inter-visible.

Large established trees

Localized roadway reductions are warranted for the large established Pine and Oak trees along the roadway.

Existing established drainage that would require extensive disturbance in the flow line.

Due to these environmental constraints this department is likely to grant modifications to the County Road and Street Standards. Please keep in mind that the goal is to achieve the maximum roadway width throughout the entire length to be improved. As discussed on site there are three design considerations that should be incorporated into the final design of the roadway to help achieve the maximum drivable width:

Where it is determined by an engineer to do so, crown or out-slope roadway to increase sheet flow runoff and reduce concentrated water flow.

Design drivable swales where drainage is required and the full roadway is not achieved. Surface the maximum road width achievable (minimize shoulders) where the 18 ft width is not achieved.

Based on the information provided thus far, this Department would recommend roadway modifications for reductions in shoulder width and reductions in road width on a localized basis as needed to retain the large trees and minimize the disturbance on the steep slopes. Drainage swales may be considered as roadway width if designed to be drivable.

Station references are as illustrated on plans prepared by Terra Firma Surveys, revised April 21st, 2005 and titled "map of the/Conceptual Driveway Design/for road improvements to serve the lands of/Robert B. Long, Sr./as reviewed at the site meeting with state and county officials on March 7th, 2005."

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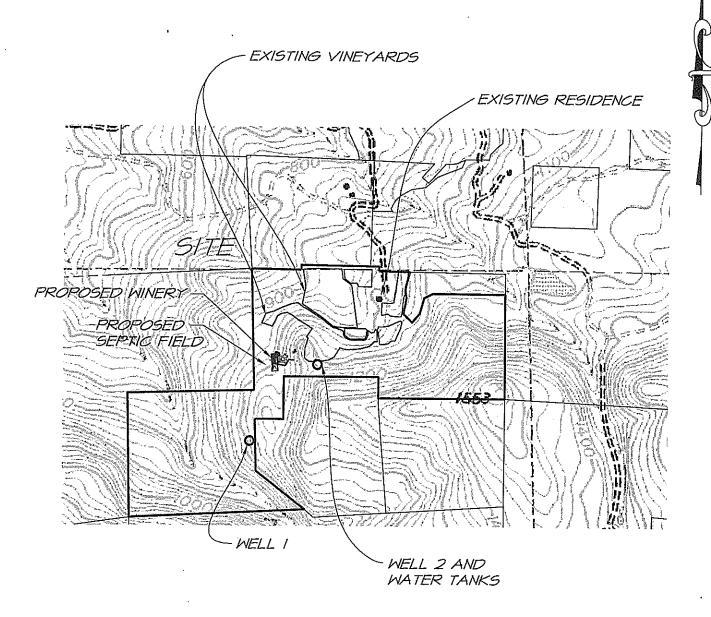
If you have any questions or comments regarding the documentation contained in this transmittal, please feel free to contact Larry Bogner or Drew Lander of this office.

Sincerely,

Nathan J. Galambos Principal Engineer

Cc: Bob Nelson, CDPD Gabriella Avina, CDF

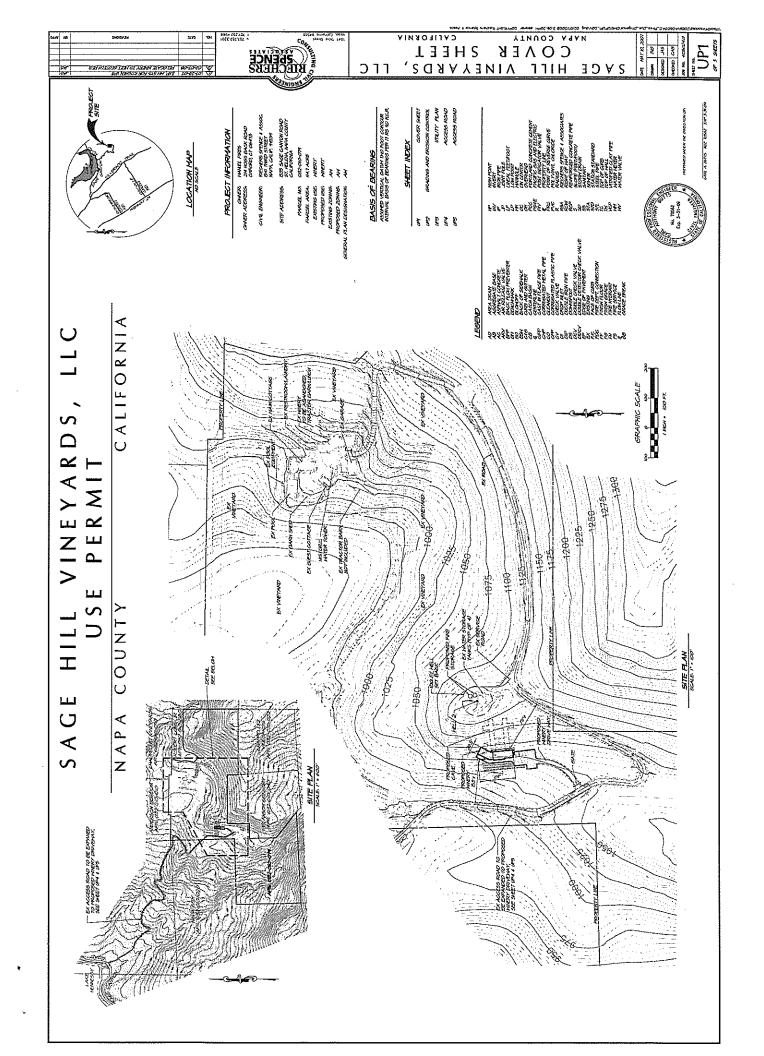
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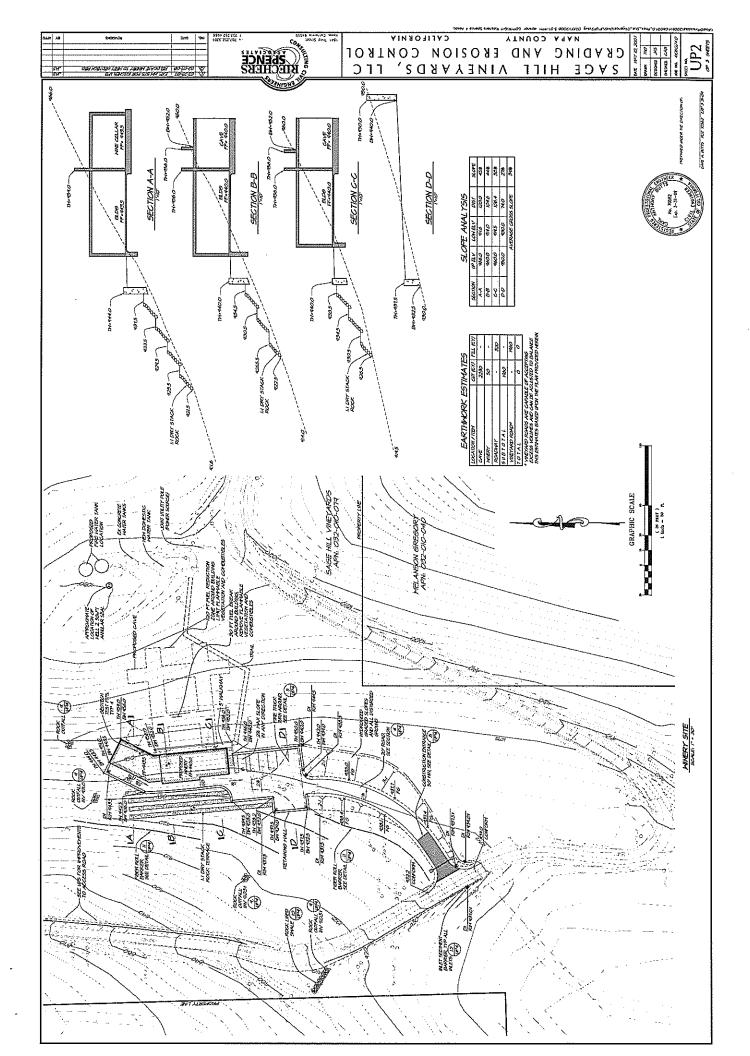


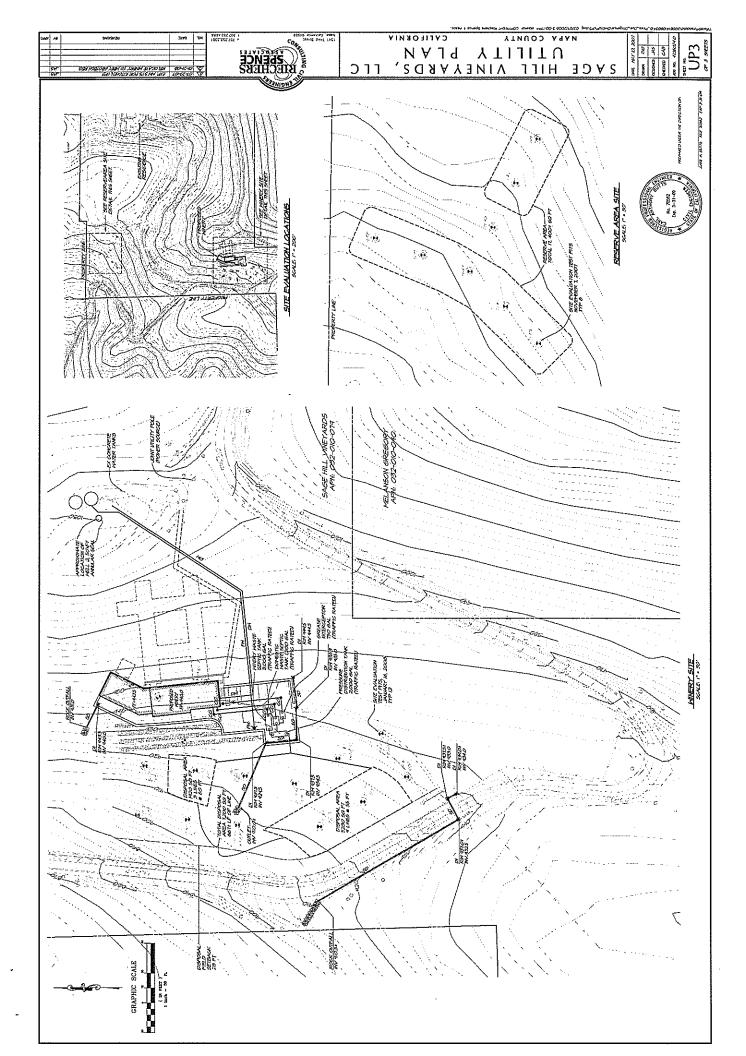
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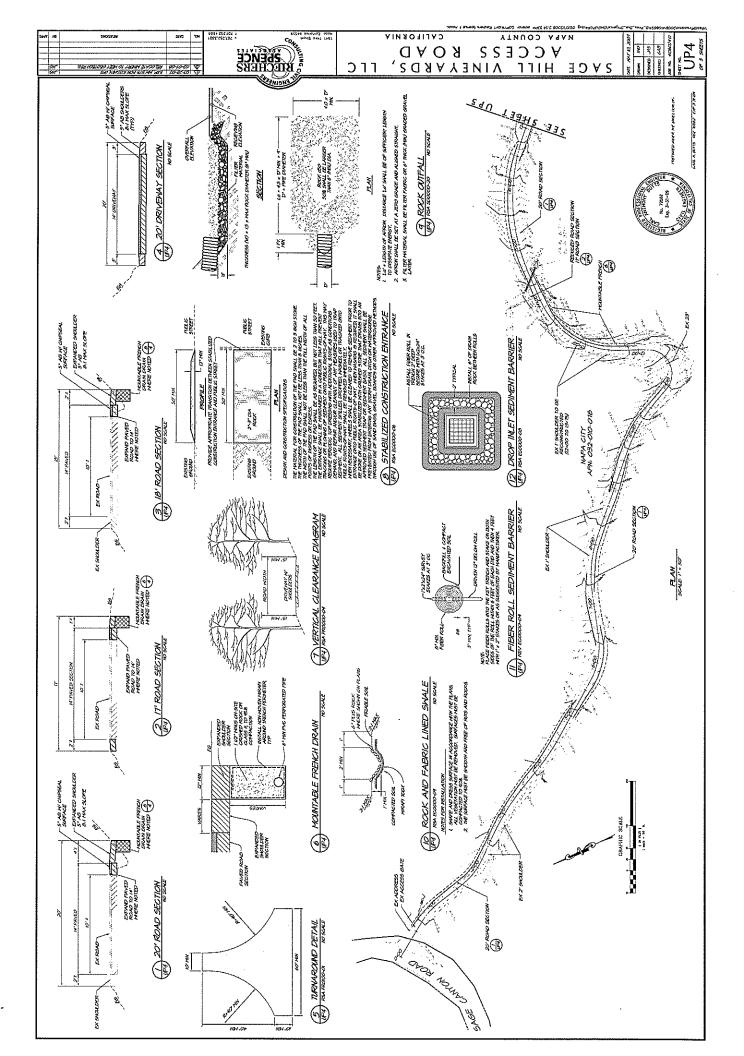
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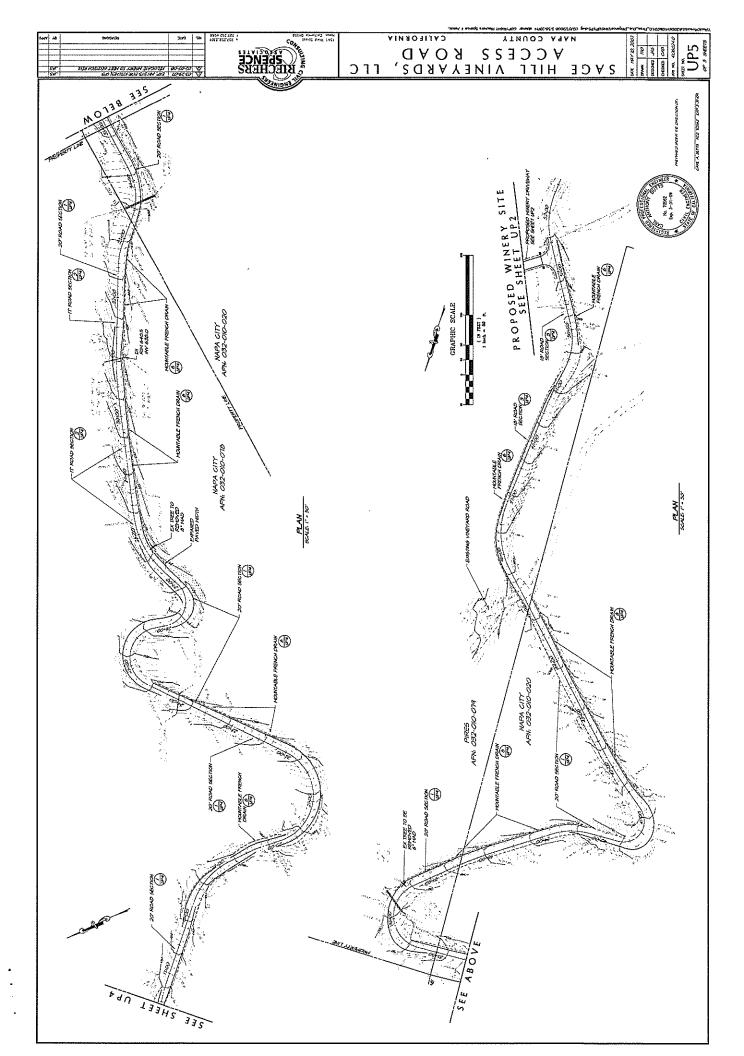


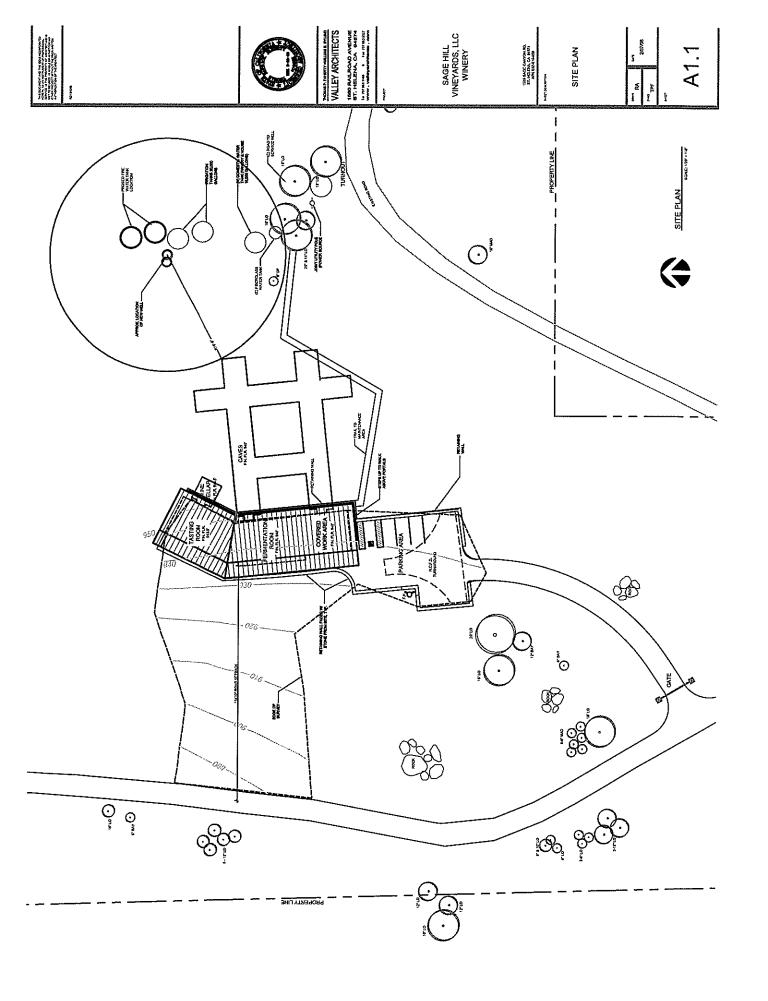


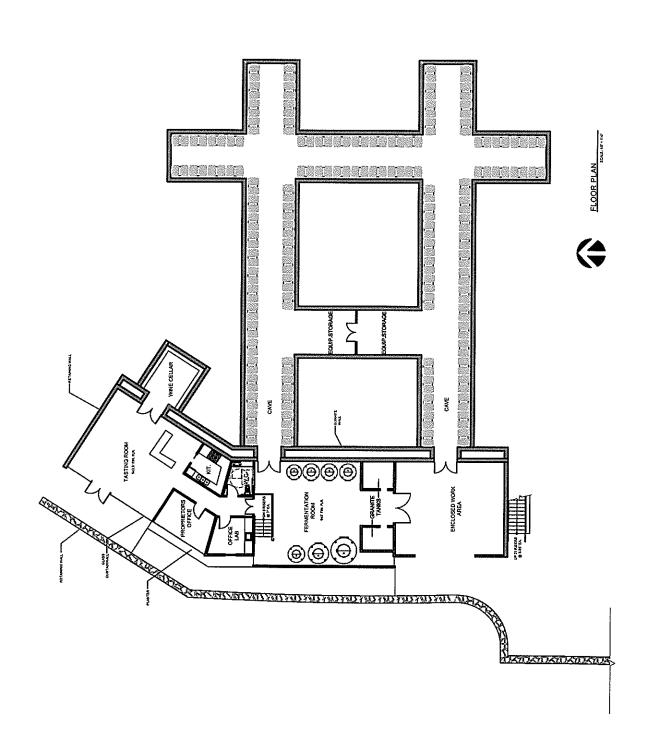


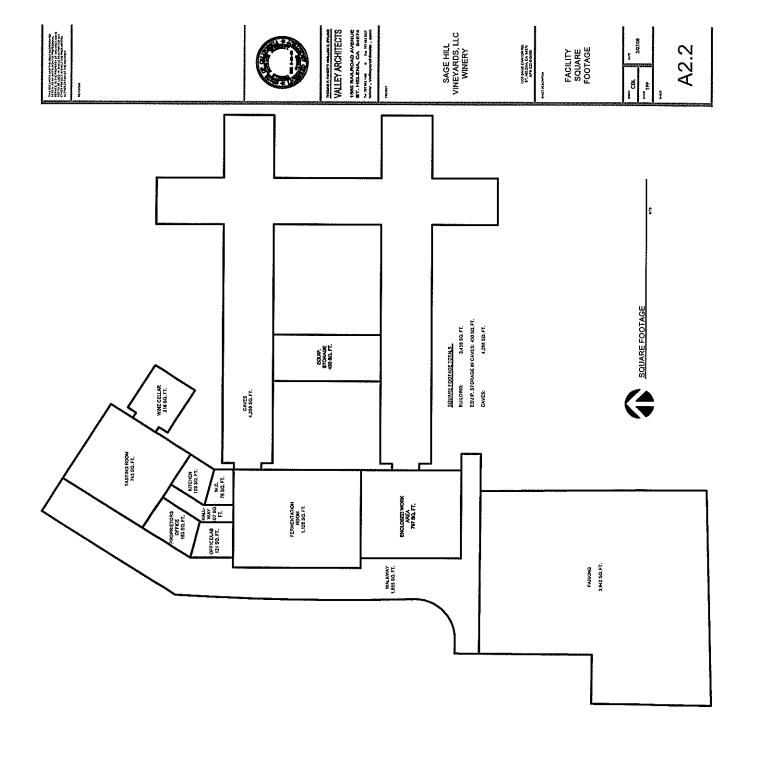


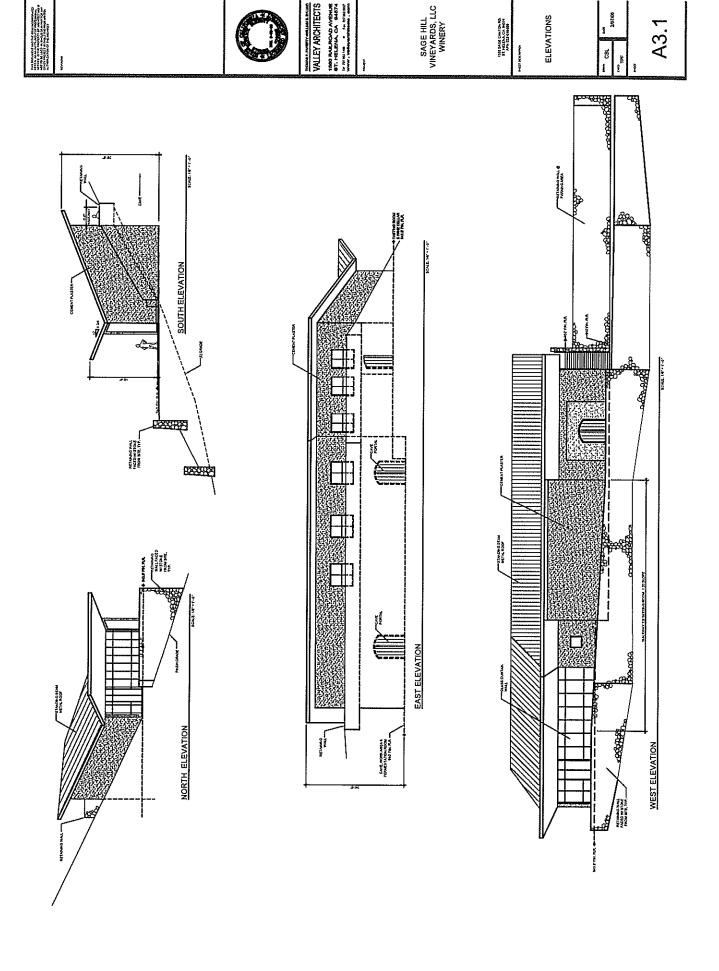












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Condor Project No. 4986

December 4, 2007

Manuel Pires c/o L. Randolph Skidmore Coombs & Dunlap, LLP 1211 Division Street Napa, CA 94559

Subject:

Sage Hill Vineyard Proposed Winery and Wine Cave Site

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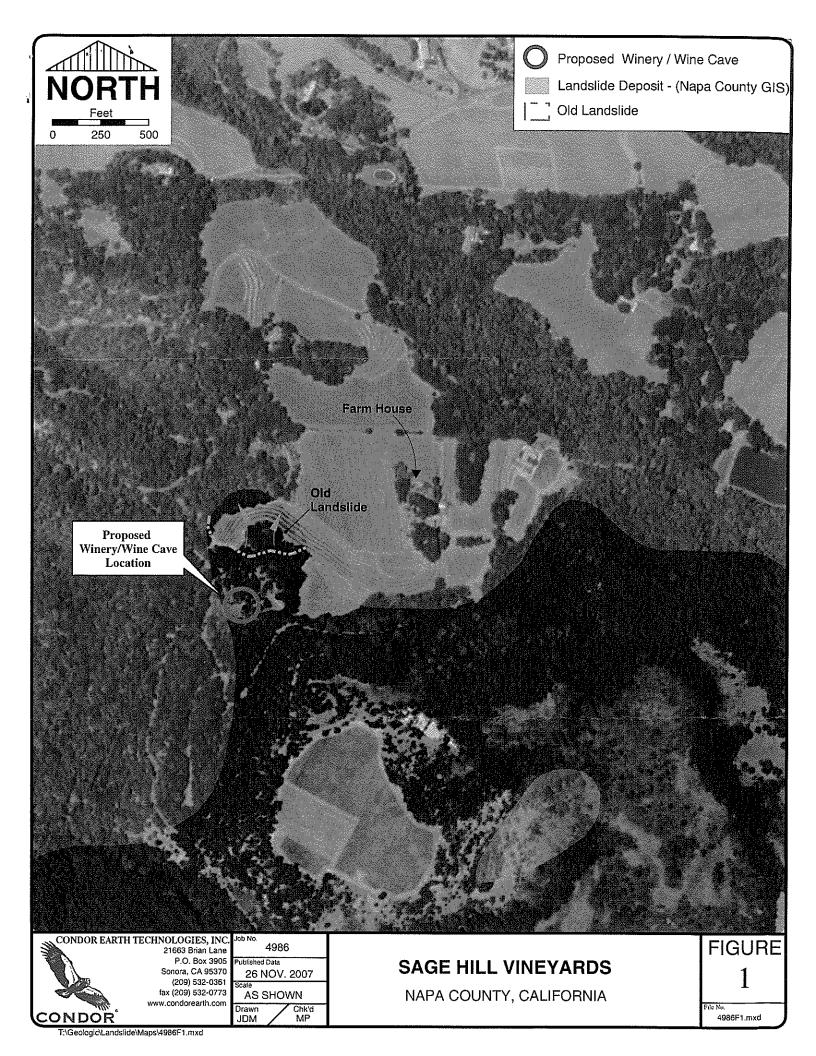
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Respectfully submitted,

CONDOR EARTH TECHNOLOGIES, INC

Mark Petersen, CEG No.1332 Certified Engineering Geologist

Attachment: Figure 1



SAGE HILL VINEYARDS, LLC TREE SUMMARY NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA



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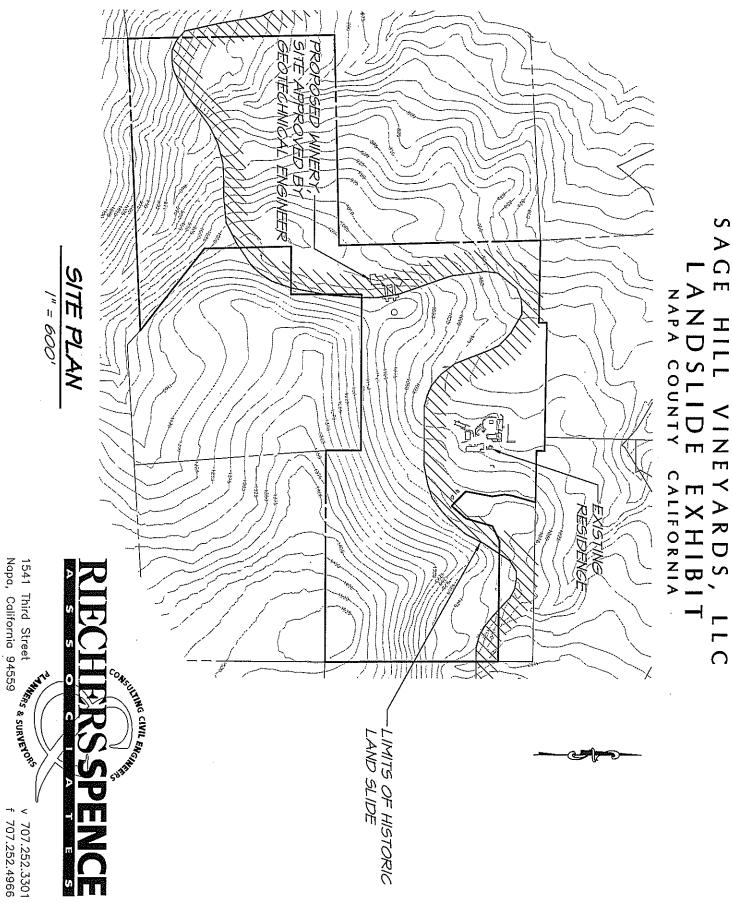
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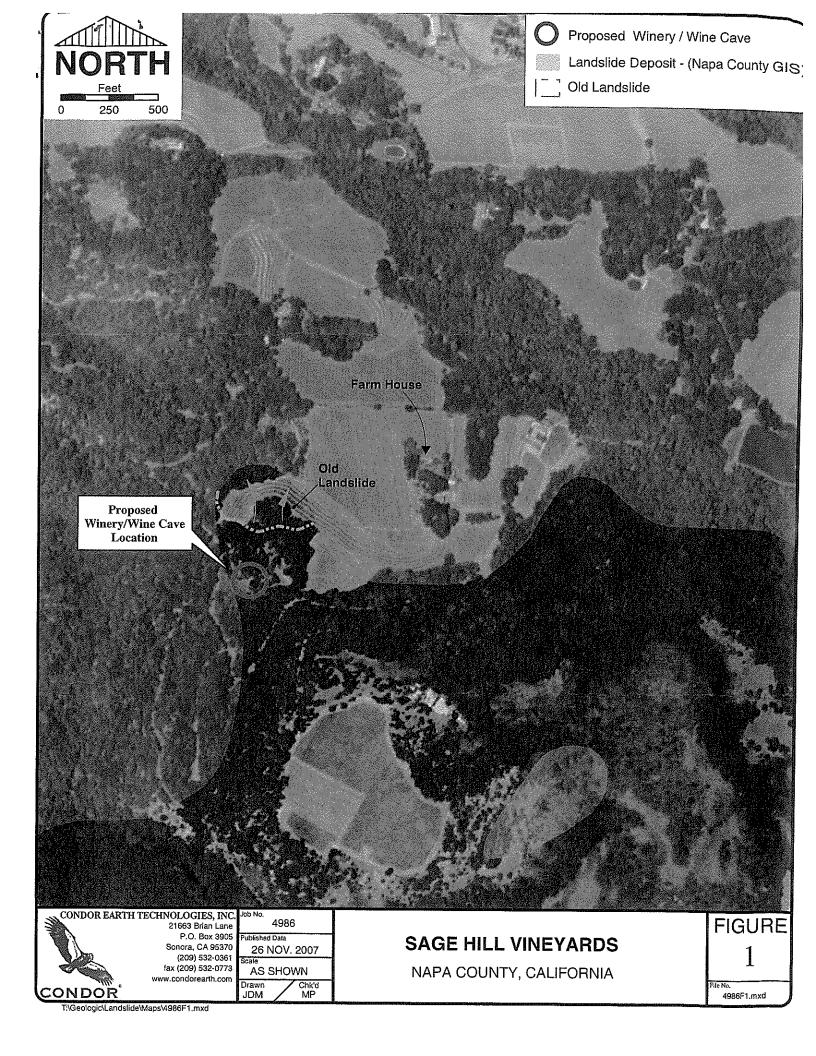
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CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1195 Third Street, Suite 210, Napa, California, 94559 • (707) 253-4417

APPLICATION FORM
TOR OFFICE USE ONLY ZONING DISTRICT: AW Date Submitted: 2:7.08 TYPE OF APPLICATION: WINER SETBACK VARIANCE Date Published: REQUEST: Date Complete: VARIANCE TO ALLOW A 154' SETBACK FROM A PRIVATE ROAD (300' WINERY SETBACK REQUIRED). TO BE REVIEWED IN TANDEM WITH UP MOD (P07-00348) & CON: REG. UP EXCEPTION.
TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT
PROJECT NAME: Sage Hill Vineyards Winery and Cave
Assessor's Parcel #: 032-010-079-000 Existing Parcel Size: 115±
Site Address/Location: 1535 Sage Canyon Road, St. Helena, CA 94574 No. Street City State Zip
Property Owner's Name: Manuel Pires
Mailing Address: 214 Hogs Back Road, Oxford, CT 06578 No. Street City State Zin
No. Street City State Zip
Telephone #:(<u>203)264 4949</u> Fax #: (<u>203)206 - 6191</u> E-Mail: <u>manuel@morsewatch</u> ma
Applicant's Name: <u>Sage Hill Vineyards, LLC</u>
Mailing Address: 214 Hogs Back Road, Oxford, CT 06478 No. Street City State Zip
Telephone #:(203) 264 -4949 Fax #: (203) 206 - 6191 E-Mail: manuel@morsewatch
Status of Applicant's Interest in Property:
Representative Name: L. Randolph Skidmore, Coombs & Dunlap, LLP
Mailing Address: 1211 Division Street, Napa, CA 94559 No. Street City State Zip
Telephone # (707) 252-9100
I certify that all the information contained in this application, including but not limited to the information sheet, water supply/waste disposal information sheet, site plan, floor plan, building elevations, water supply/waste disposal system site plan and toxic materials list, is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize such investigations including access to County Assessor's Records as are deemed necessary by the County Planning Division for preparation of reports related to this application, including the right of access to the property involved.
TO BE COMPLETED BY CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT *Total Estimated Fees: \$ 4406 Receipt No. 67115 Received by: 9410 Date: 2-7-08 *Actual Fees will be based on Time and Materials
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REASONS FOR GRANTING A VARIANCE

 Please describe what exceptional or extraordinary circumstances or conditions apply to your property (including the size, shape, topography, location or surroundings), which do not apply generally to other land, buildings, or use and because of which, the strict application of the zoning district regulations deprives your property of the privileges enjoyed by other property in the vicinity and under identical zoning classification.

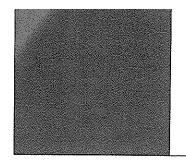
Other sites on the property that would comply with zoning district regulations (1) are underlain by landslide deposits, and consequently are not considered suitable sites for either a winery or wine cave or (2) would require the removal of a significant amount of existing vegetation. Building the proposed winery and cave in the proposed location will prevent the structure from being seen from Sage Hill Road, thus having no visual impact on the road. As can be seen in the site plan, it is approximately 150' from the driveway, on the test pits dug by Condor Earth Technologies (Condor).

2. Please state why the granting of your variance request is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of your substantial property rights.

The landslide deposits on the property prevent the location of the proposed winery and cave on most other areas of the property. In addition, where landslide deposits are not found, existing vegetation would need to be removed to place the proposed winery and cave on sites other than the site proposed. Please see the attached report of Condor.

3. Please state why the granting of your variance request will not adversely affect the health or safety of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of your property, and will not be materially detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in your neighborhood.

Granting the variance will advance the health, safety and welfare of such persons and will provide improvements to the neighborhood because it will minimize the destruction of existing vegetation; encourage future cultivation of agricultural land; and preserve a traditional, contextual agricultural setting. In addition, the proposed winery and cave will not degrade the viewshed, because the Applicant will retain existing landscaping and plant additional landscaping from materials found on site and local, native vegetation.



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RE:

Sage Hill Vineyards, LLC Use Permit Application

Writs & Appeals

Dear Chris:

1211 Division Street Napa, California 94559-3398 Tel 707.252.9100 Fax 707.252.8516

Included with this letter is our client's Use Permit Application and Variance Application.

1312 Oak Avenue St. Helena, California 94574-1943 Tel 707.963.5202 Fax 707.963.4519 As you know, we originally applied for a use permit to expand production of the existing small winery, from 5,000 gallons per year to 20,000 gallons per year, in May of 2007. You informed us during staff review that the proposed building site appeared to be within a large landslide area, according to the County's geologic maps. As a result, our client retained Mark Peterson of Condor Earth Technologies to do a site inspection and dig test pits in order to locate a viable site. After a thorough inspection of the 117 acre parcel and digging multiple test pits, Mr. Peterson concluded that the proposed site is the only viable site on the property, since it is outside the area of the ancient landslide and is

supported by rock. You will notice from the site plan and the engineer's drawings that the proposed winery location is precisely located where multiple test pits were dug.

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Unfortunately, as a result of the ancient landslide, the proposed winery site is less than 300 feet from the private driveway. Accordingly, a variance is also required in order to proceed with the winery. A variance application with a check for \$4,406 is also included with this application to cover your processing fee. The recent report of Condor Earth Technologies is attached to the application, supporting the grounds for the variance.

As a further result of the size and scope of the landslide area on the property, our consulting engineer, Jesse Salmon of Reichers Spence, Spence & Associates, has concluded that the slope on the winery site is 39%. The county code would ordinarily require no building on a site with this grade; however, an exception applies under

circumstances such as these pursuant to the County Code. We will address the seven conditions set forth in the Code when we file the application with you today.

Third, Nathan Galambos's letter to our client in the spring of 2005 is included with the application in order to address our request for a road exception from the customary 20 foot width required by the county for a commercial driveway. You should also have in your file a list of trees along the full length of the driveway from Sage Canyon Road to the site, justifying the basis for our request for this exception.

Finally, you know, the City of Napa objected to our original application; however, we have previously filed with you a signed agreement our client has reached with the City, mitigating the City's grounds for objection.

Please contact me directly as comments from staff and other departments and/or the public are received.

Thank you for your cooperation.

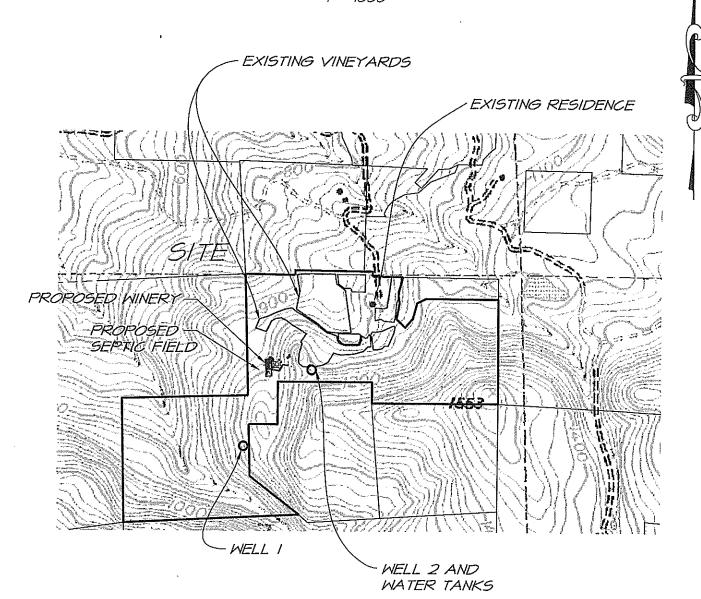
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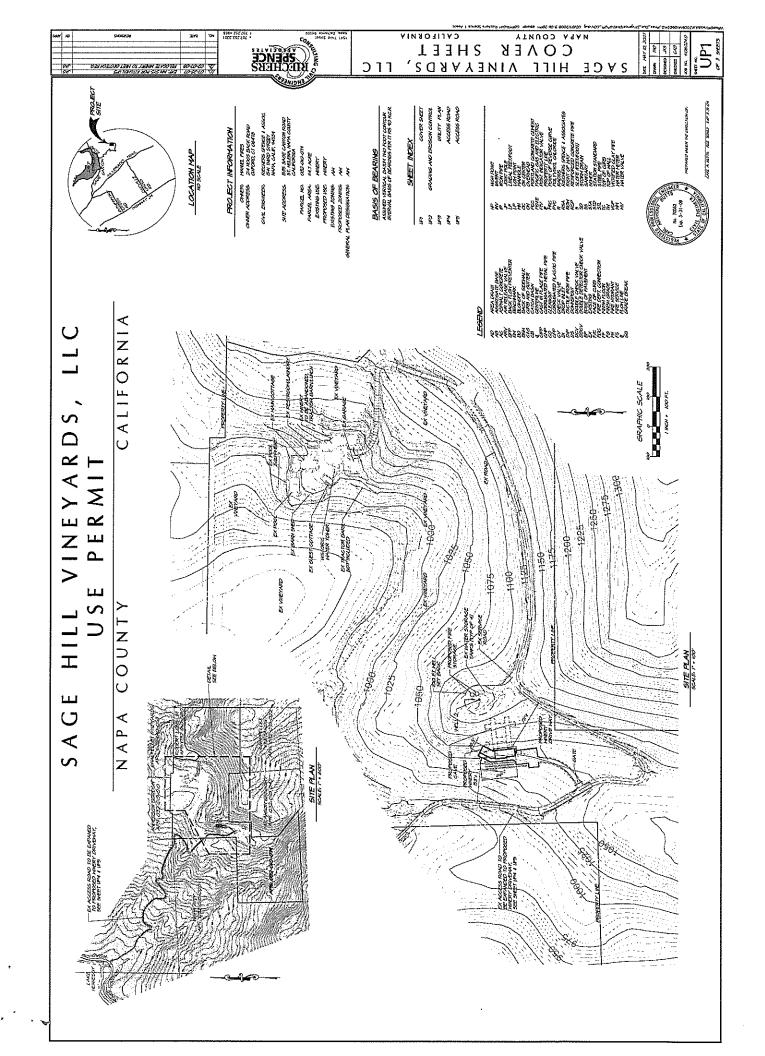
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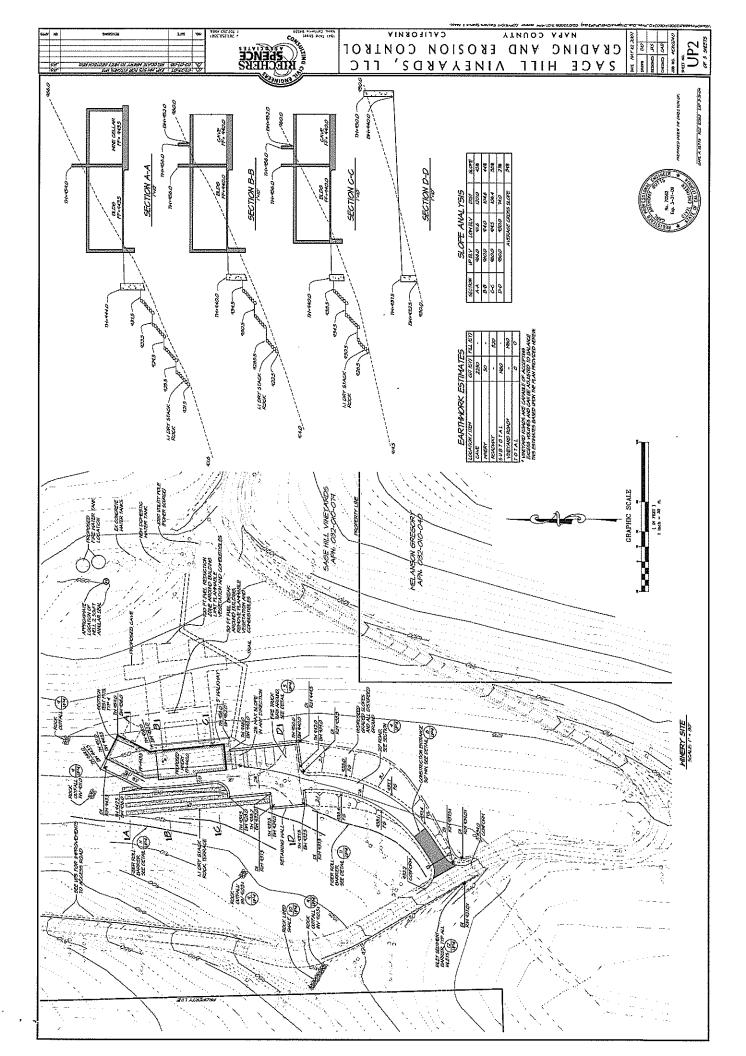


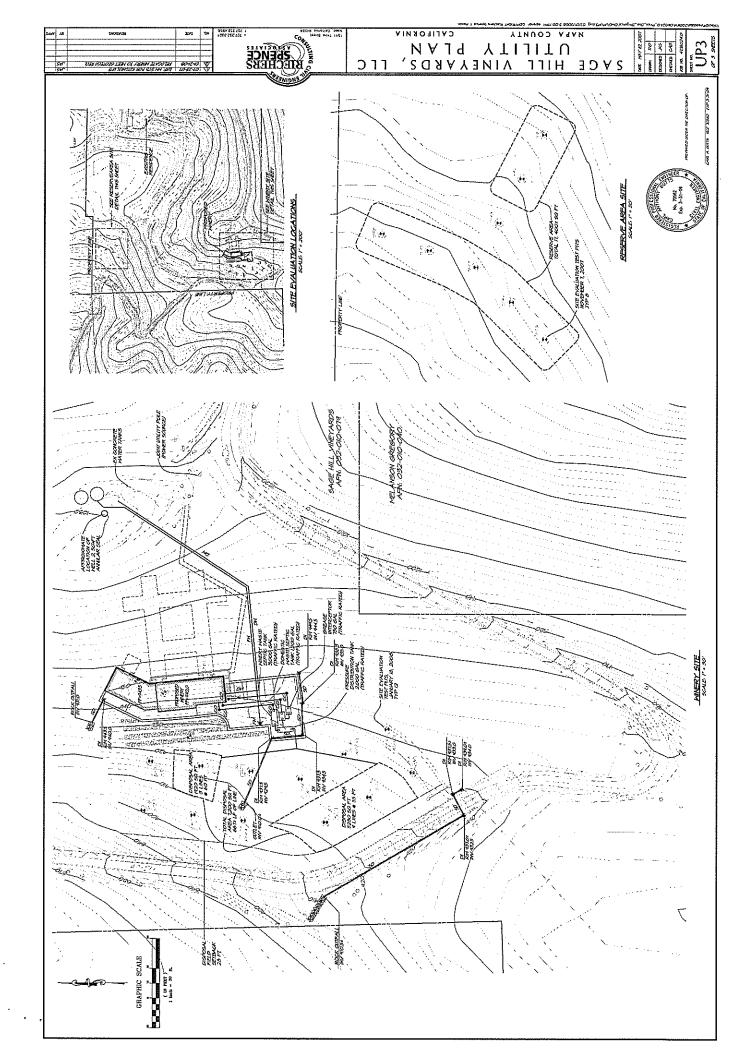
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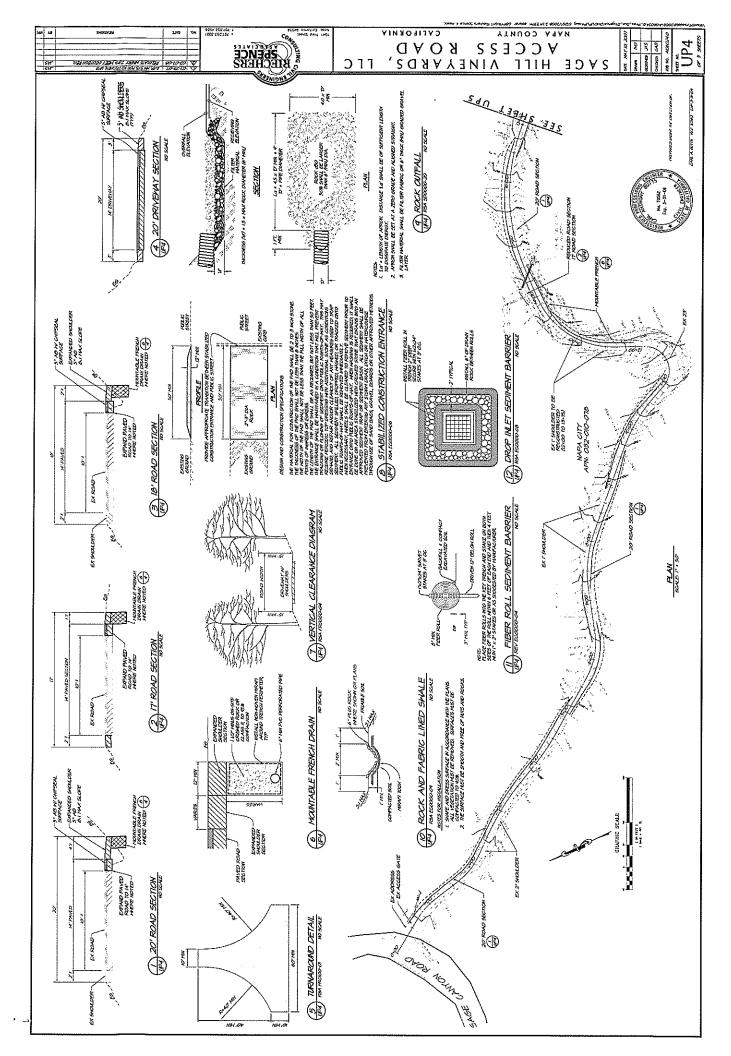
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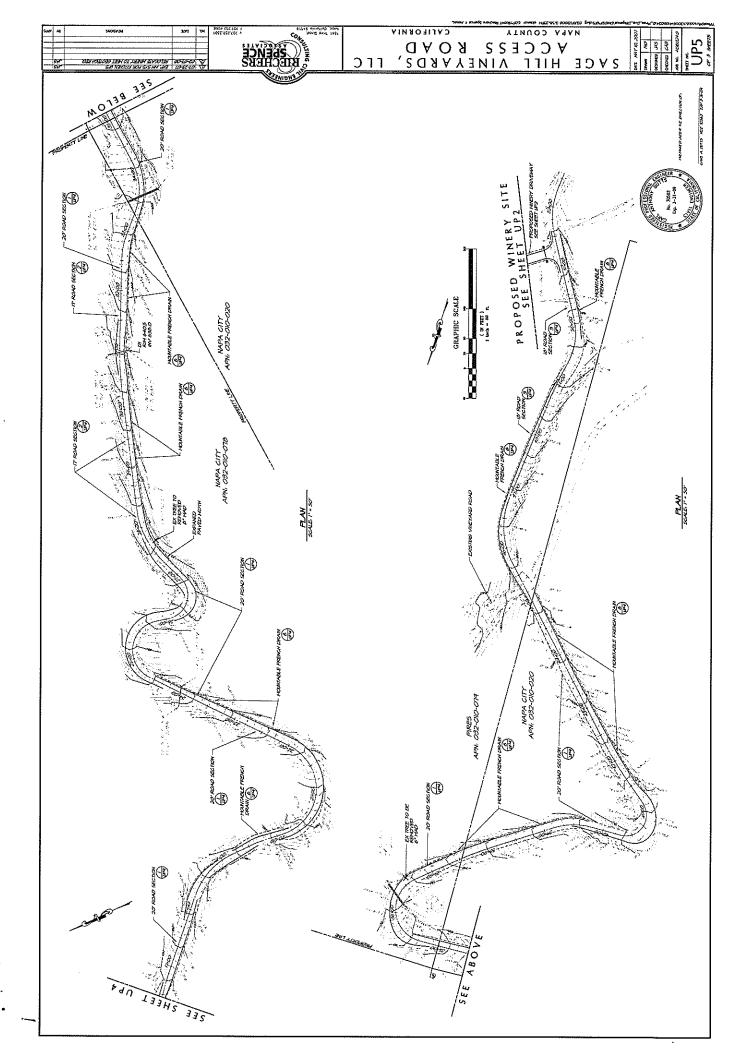


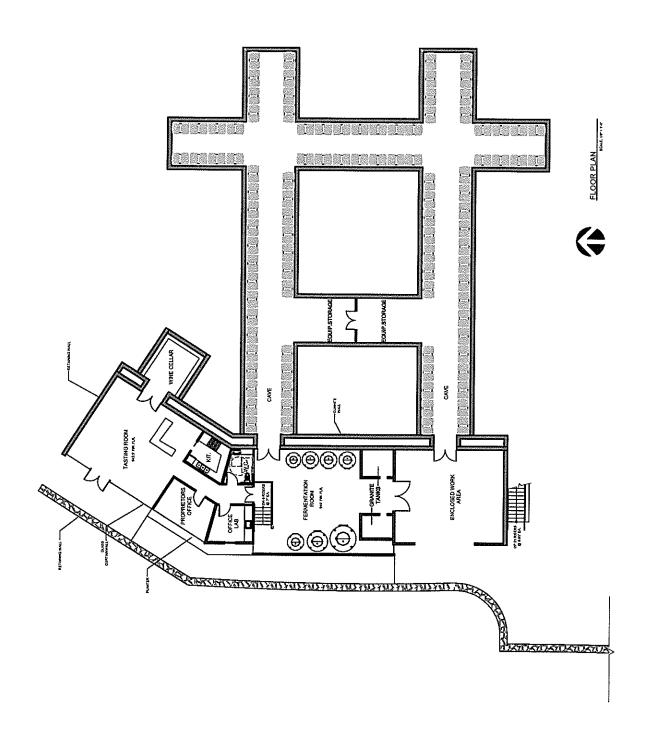


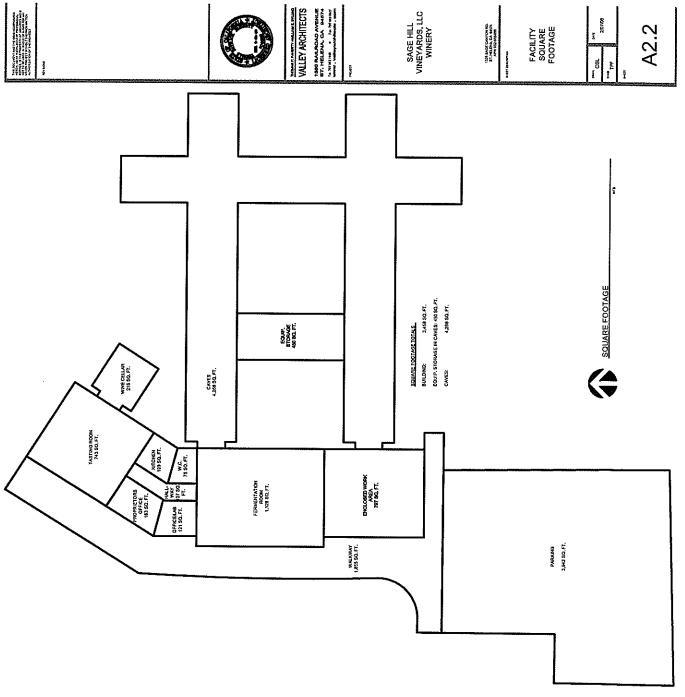


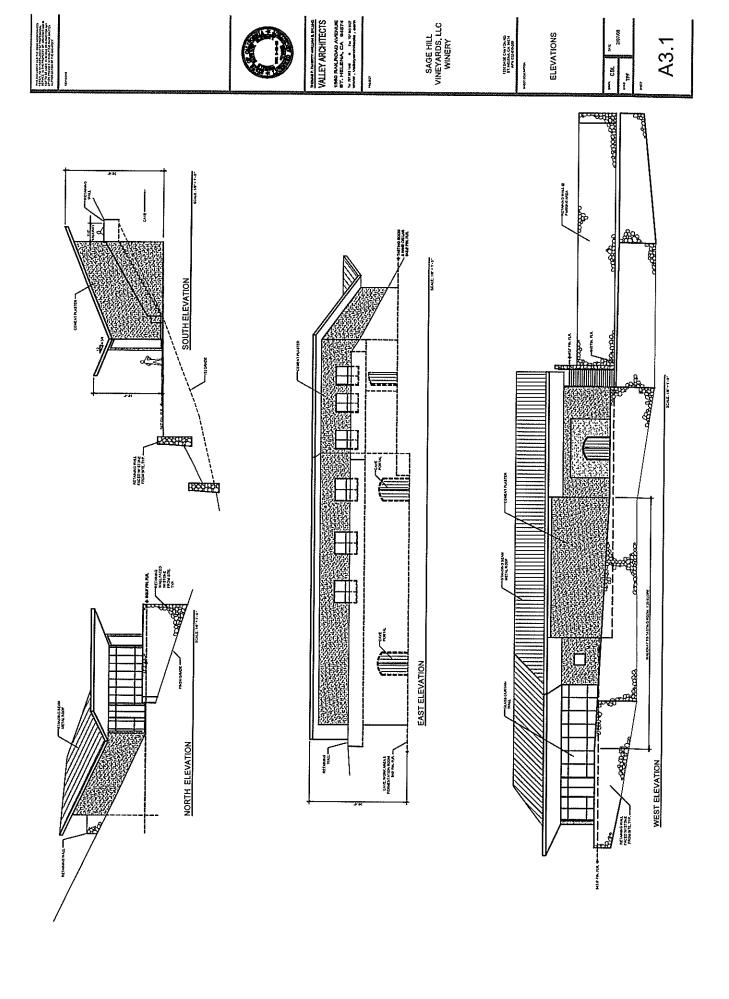


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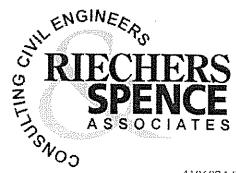






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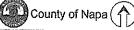
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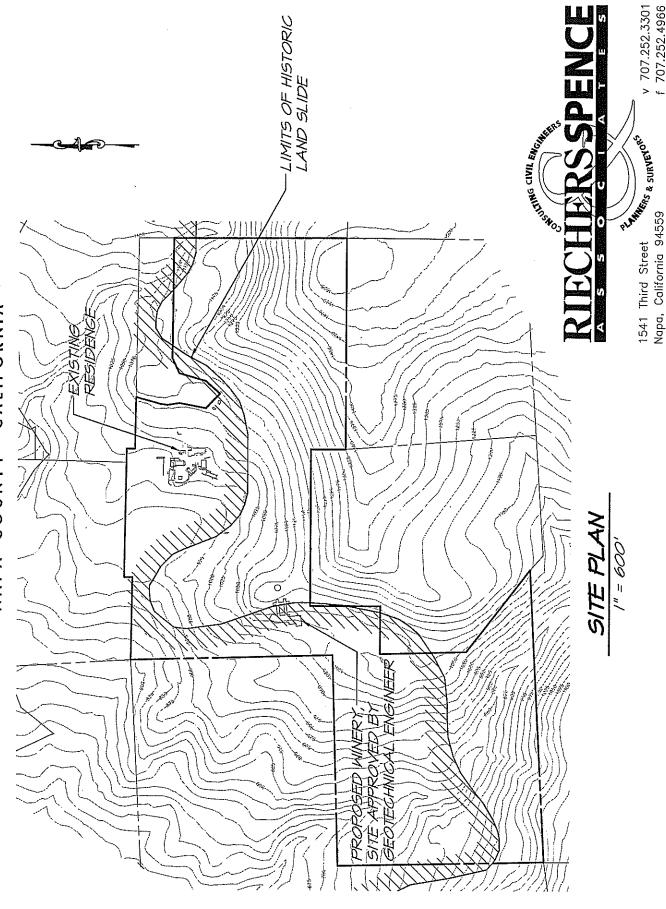
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Mark Petersen, CEG No.1332 Certified Engineering Geologist

Attachment: Figure 1

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APPLICATION FOR USE PERMIT EXCEPTION TO CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

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TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT (Please type or print legibly)	
Applicant's Name: Sage Hill Vineyards, LLC	
Telephone #:(70)7 264-4949 Fax #: 103) 206-6191 E-Mail: manuel@morsewatchmar	, co
Mailing Address: 214 Hogs Back Road, Oxford, CT 06478	
Status of Applicant's Interest in Property: Owner	
Property Owner's Name: Same	
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INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

Pursuant to Chapter 1.30 of the Napa County Code, as part of the application for a discretionary land use project approval for the project identified below, Applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless Napa County, its agents, officers, attorneys, employees, departments, boards and commissions (hereafter collectively "County") from any claim, action or proceeding (hereafter collectively "proceeding") brought against County, the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void or annul the discretionary project approval of the County, or an action relating to this project required by any such proceeding to be taken to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act by County, or both. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to damages awarded against the County, if any, and cost of suit, attorneys' fees, and other liabilities and expenses incurred in connection with such proceeding that relate to this discretionary approval or an action related to this project taken to comply with CEQA whether incurred by the Applicant, the County, and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. Applicant further agrees to indemnify the County for all of County's costs, attorneys' fees, and damages, which the County incurs in enforcing this indemnification agreement.

Applicant further agrees, as a condition of project approval, to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County for all costs incurred in additional investigation of or study of, or for supplementing, redrafting, revising, or amending any document (such as an EIR, negative declaration, specific plan, or general plan amendment) if made necessary by said proceeding and if the Applicant desires to pursue securing approvals which are conditioned on the approval of such documents.

In the event any such proceeding is brought, County shall promptly notify the Applicant of the proceeding, and County shall cooperate fully in the defense. If County fails to promptly notify the Applicant of the proceeding, or if County fails to cooperate fully in the defense, the Applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the County. The County shall retain the right to participate in the defense of the proceeding if it bears its own attorneys' fees and costs, and defends the action in good faith. The Applicant shall not be required to pay or perform any settlement unless the settlement is approved by the Applicant.

Applicant	Property Owner (if other than Applicant)
2-19-08	
Date	Project Identification

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FORM USE PERMIT EXCEPTION TO CONSERVATION REGULATION

Please explain the reason for the exception request.
County Code Section 18.108.060 provides that no building may occur on sites having a slope of more than 30% unless an exception applies under
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Section 18.108.040. The reason for the request is that the proposed site is the only viable site from a geotechnical perspective. The site
has a slope of 39%; however, it sits on a rocky outcropping. According
to Condor Earth Technologies and Mark Petersen, it is the only site
existing outside of an ancient landslide area which covers most of the parcel.
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3. Describe how the project can meet the findings described in Section 18.104.040 A (structural
or road project), or Section 18.108.040B (agricultural project).
Section 18.108.040.A. Structural/road development projects
a. Roads, driveways, buildings and other man-made structures have been designed to
complement the natural landform and to avoid excessive grading:
The proposed structure, retaining walls, and driveway are designed to
follow the natural contour of the hillside. The use of native rock for
the retaining wall will reduce the visual impact.
b. Primary and accessory structures employ architectural and design elements which in tota
serve to reduce the amount of grading and earthmoving activity required for the project
including the following elements:
i. Multiple-floor levels which follow existing, natural slopes;
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ii. Foundation types such as poles, piles, or stepping level which minimize cut and fill and the need for retaining walls;
iii. Fence lines, walls, and other features which blend with the existing terrain
rather than strike off at an angle against it.
The proposed structure is stepped into the existing hillside, with
multiple levels utilized for wine making. Native stone retaining walls
will be used to break grade changes into small scale steps. The
exterior materials will be stone, glass, plaster and metal (copper or
steel). The whole project is designed to blend with the existing
hillside.

c. The development project minimizes removal of existing vegetation, incorporates existing vegetation into final design plans, and replacement vegetation of appropriate size, quality and quantity is included to mitigate adverse environmental effects.
A landscape plan is being proposed that will demonstrate the project's
intent to incorporate the surrounding native plant species and features.
4. Adequate fire safety measures have been incorporated into the design of the proposed development. The project will comply with Napa County Ordinance Chapter 15.37750,
Defensible Space for Structures and Roads. The appropriate maintenance
of the 30 foot fuel break, flammable vegetation and combustible
material, and the 100 foot fuel reduction zone.
5. Disturbance to streams and watercourses shall be minimized, and setbacks shall be retained as specified in Section 18.108.025.
The project is not located within the vicinty of any streams or water courses.
water courges.
6. The project does not adversely impact threatened or endangered plant or animal habitats as designated by state or federal agencies with jurisdiction and identified on the county's environmental sensitivity maps.
A review of Napa County's sensitve biotic overlays indicate that the site location is outside of anty sensitive areas.

Se Co	ection 18.108.040.B. Agricultural projects, or Agricultural roads as defined by Napa ounty Department of Public Works:
7.	The erosion rate that results two years from the completion of the proposed agricultural development does not exceed the soil tolerance factor approved by the Natural Resource Conservation Service for the soil type, topography and climatic conditions in which the project is located; (Please attach a copy of the USLE worksheet used to determine the erosion rate).
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8.	Impacts on streams and watercourses are minimized, and adequate setbacks along these drainageways are or will be maintained.
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i	The project does not adversely impact sensitive, rare, threatened or endangered plant or animal habitats as designated by state or federal agencies with jurisdiction and identified on the county's environmental sensitivity maps.