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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING

On Wednesday morning, the 21st day of April, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Administration Building, 1195 Third Street, Suite 305, Top Floor, Napa, California, a public hearing will be conducted by the Conservation, Development and Planning Commission of the County of Napa regarding the project identified below. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and be heard.

2009-2010 WINERY-RELATED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS and ASSOCIATED INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE RESOLUTION, COUNTY-INITIATED ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT No. P10-00098-ORD

CEQA Status: Negative Declaration Prepared. According to the proposed negative declaration, the project would not have any potentially significant environmental impacts. This project is applicable to all parcels zoned and sized to allow wine production, a number of which are included on the lists of hazardous waste sites enumerated under Government Code §65962.5.

Request: County-sponsored ordinance to: 1.) amend Napa County Code §18.08.370 "Marketing of wine," to clarify existing limitations on where, when, how, and for whom allowed winery marketing may occur; 2.) amend Napa County Code §18.08.620 "Tours and tastings," to clarify existing limitations on food and wine pairings at wineries; and 3.) amend §18.16.030 (H) and §18.20.030 (J) to allow the sale of wine related products as a winery-accessory use within the AP (Agricultural Preserve) and AW (Agricultural Watershed) zoning districts. The project also includes adoption of a resolution establishing interpretive guidance related to winery activities within the AP and AW zoning districts.

Proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendments and associated policy interpretations would apply to unincorporated areas countywide, and in particular to those parcels zoned and sized to allow wine production. In staff's view, the proposal would update but not substantively change provisions of the Winery Definition Ordinance (WDO) adopted in 1990.

Ordinance Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 18.08.370, 18.08.620, 18.16.030, AND 18.20.030 OF THE COUNTY CODE AS THEY RELATE TO THE MARKETING OF WINE, FOOD AND WINE PAIRINGS CONDUCTED AS PART OF TOURS AND TASTINGS AND THE MARKETING OF WINE RELATED PRODUCTS PERMITTED AT WINERIES IN THE AGRICULTURAL PRESERVE (AP) AND AGRICULTURAL WATERSHED (AW) ZONING DISTRICTS.

Resolution Title: A RESOLUTION OF THE NAPA COUNTY CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND PLANNING COMMISSION ESTABLISHING INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE ON MARKETING ACTIVITIES FOR WINERIES.

Comments regarding the proposed ordinance or its environmental effects are solicited and should be presented at the hearing or in writing prior to the hearing on the project. Comments that will not be submitted at the hearing should be sent to the Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department, 1195 Third Street, Suite 210, Napa, California. Written comments over four (4) pages require the submittal of 27 copies.

Copies of all documents which relate to the above described proposal may be examined at the Office of the Conservation, Development and Planning Department, 1195 Third Street, Suite 210, Napa, California.

If you challenge the particular proceeding in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to the public hearing.

DATED: March 29, 2010

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Director of Conservation, Development and Planning