A CULTURAL RESOURCES EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED RASMUSSEN WINERY, 2125 CUTTINGS WHARF ROAD, NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.



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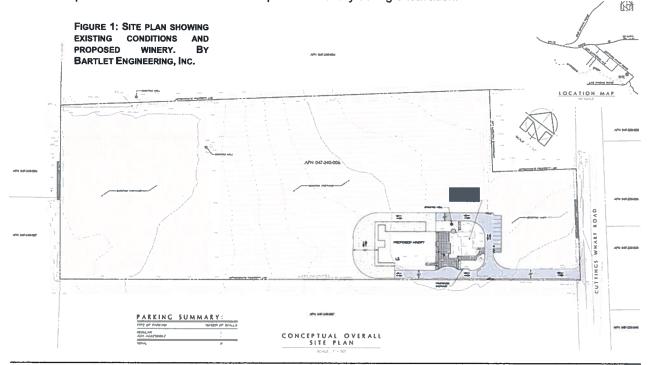
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PROJECT SUMMARY

Archaeological Resource Service was retained to conduct a cultural resource inventory of the 11.55 acre property at 2125 Cuttings Wharf Road in Napa County, CA. The cultural resource inventory was done to determine the presence or absence of potentially significant cultural resources that could be affected by the proposed project and to provide further recommendations if needed.

As part of the project, a literature search was conducted at the Northwest Information Center (NWIC) of the California Historic Resources Inventory Systems (CHRIS), a Sacred Lands File inventory was undertaken by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), letters were sent to the Native American individuals/organizations on the list provided by the NAHC to notify them of the project and to solicit their comments and concerns about the project, and a field survey was conducted.

The literature review revealed the property had not been previously evaluated. The field survey resulted in the identification of two isolated prehistoric artifacts and a residence with two associated outbuildings that are greater than 45 years of age. These resources were evaluated and determined not to be potentially significant cultural resources under CEQA. No further recommendations are warranted at this time; but general recommendations have been provided in the event of an unanticipated discovery during excavation.



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicants are proposing the construction of a winery within a property that currently contains a single family residence with a detached garage, a barn and shed. The applicant proposes to remove a portion of the vineyard and the barn to facilitate the new winery building and associated utilities. The existing residence will be converted into an office and the garage will be used for storage. ARS was retained to conduct an archaeological evaluation of the property to determine the presence or absence of potentially significant cultural resources and to make further recommendations, if warranted. The evaluation consisted of four separate aspects:

- A check of the information on file at ARS and the Northwest Information Center of the California
 Historical Resources Information System, to determine the presence or absence of previously
 recorded cultural resources within or adjacent the project area;
- A check with the Native American Heritage Commission to determine if there are sites listed in the Sacred Lands file within or near to the project area, and sending letters of notification to the local Native American contact persons provided by the NAHC;
- A check of appropriate historic references to determine the potential for historic era archaeological deposits or features, such as standing structures greater than 45 years of age, to be potentially located within the project area; and,
- 4. A surface reconnaissance of all accessible parts of the project area to locate any visible signs of potentially significant historic or prehistoric cultural deposits, features or isolated artifacts that would be adversely impacted by the proposed project.

PROJECT LOCATION

The project area is located at 2125 Cuttings Wharf Road in Napa County, California. The APN is 047-240-006. The project area is bounded by vineyards on all sides, with a horse pasture and a single family home to the north and Cuttings Wharf Road to the east.

The project area is located in Township 5 North, Range 4 West (Mt. Diablo base and meridian) and in the former Mexican era land grant of *Rincon de Los Carneros*. The Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) grid coordinates to the approximate center of the project area, as determined by measurement from the USGS 7.5' Cuttings Wharf quadrangle map (1949; 1981 photo revision), are:

4232350 Meters North

560140 Meters East, zone 10.

PHYSICAL SETTING

The project area is located in the lower reaches of the Napa River Valley. Located about 50 miles inland from the coast at Bodega Bay, this long, narrow alluvial valley is drained by the Napa River, which rises in the Mayacamas range just south of Mount St. Helena and flows south into San Pablo Bay. The Napa River at Bull Island is located three quarters of a mile to the southeast of the project area and empties into San Pablo Bay about 8.5 miles downriver from the area of the project area. The 85-square mile Napa Valley lies within the southern reaches of the northern Coast Range physiographic region. It is surrounded and underlain by unconsolidated marine and continental sediments and volcanic rock of Pliocene and Pleistocene age (Kunkel and Upson 1960).

The subject property is situated between 40 and 50 feet above sea level and currently consists of vineyards and a single family residence with a detached garage, a barn and a shed. The property formerly contained a small pond at the southwest end. Carneros Creek is located about 1,000 feet to the southwest and the Napa River comes within 0.75 miles east of the project area. The project area is located in the Napa River floodplain and the soil is Haire loam, 2 to 9% slopes throughout. This type soil is typical for old terraces and alluvial fans and supports seasonal wetland and vernal pools. The native vegetation has been replaced by wine grapes and ornamental trees and shrubs near the residence.

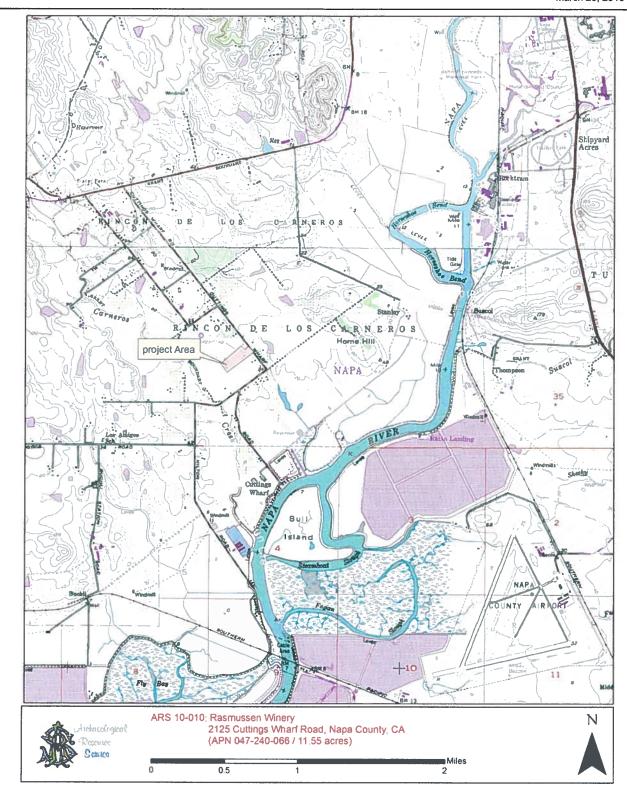


FIGURE 2: PROJECT LOCATION MAP.

REGULATORY SETTING

STATE REGULATIONS

According to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (14 CCR 15064.5 and PRC 21084.1), significant historical resources need to be addressed before environmental mitigation guidelines are developed and approved. A "significant historical resource" (including both a prehistoric and historic resource) is one that is found eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR). As per Title 14, California Code of Regulations Section 15064.5, historical resources are those that are:

- Listed in, or eligible for listing in, the California Register of Historic Resources (Public Resources Code 5024.1, Title 14 CCR, Section 4850 et. seq.);
- Listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places (CRHR);
- Included in a local register of historical resources, as defined in an historical resource survey meeting the requirements of Section 5024.1(g) of the Public Resource Code; or
- Any object, building, structure, site, area, place, record, or manuscript which a lead agency determines to be historically significant or significant in the architectural, engineering, scientific, economic, agricultural, educational, social, political, military, or cultural annals of California, provided the lead agency's determination is supported by substantial evidence in light of the whole record.

Additionally, historical resources and historic districts designated or listed by a city or county pursuant to a city or county ordinance can also be listed in the CRHR, if the criteria for listing under the ordinance have been determined by the Office of Historic Preservation to be consistent with California Register criteria adopted by the commission (pursuant to Section 5024.1(e) of the PRC).

A resource may be listed as an historical resource in the California Register if it has integrity and meets any of the following criteria:

- 1) Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of local or regional history or the cultural heritage of California or the United States;
- 2) Associated with the lives of persons important to local, California or national history;
- 3) Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region or method of construction or represents the work of a master or possesses high artistic values; or
- 4) Has yielded, or has the potential to yield, information important to the prehistory or history of the local area, California or the nation.

CEQA (PRC 21083.2) also distinguishes between two classes of archaeological resources: archaeological sites that meet the definition of a historical resource as above, and "unique archaeological resources." A "unique archaeological resource" has been defined in CEQA as an archaeological artifact, object, or site about which it can be clearly demonstrated that, without merely adding to the current body of knowledge, there is a high probability that it meets any of the following criteria:

- 1) Contains information needed to answer important scientific research questions and that there is a demonstratable public interest in that information,
- Has a special and particular quality such as being the oldest of its type or the best available example of its type, or
- 3) Is directly associated with a scientifically recognized important prehistoric or historic event or person.

Buildings, sites, structures, objects, and districts representative of California and United States history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, and culture convey significance when they also possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. A resource has integrity if it retains the characteristics that were present during the resource's period of significance. Enough of these characteristics must remain to convey the reasons for its significance.

The fact that a resource is not listed in, or determined to be eligible for listing in the CRHR, or included in a local register of historical resources (pursuant to Section 5020.1(k) of the PRC), or identified in an historical resources

survey (meeting the criteria in Section 5024.1(g) of the PRC) does not preclude a lead agency from determining that the resource may be an historical resources as defined in PRC sections 5020.1(j) or 5024.1.

RESULTS OF LITERATURE CHECK

Prior to performing the fieldwork, the author conducted a literature search to determine if the property has been previously evaluated and to assess the archaeological sensitivity of the parcel and surrounding area. The literature search was conducted using information on file at Archaeological Resource Service and the Northwest Information Center (NWIC) of the California Historical Resources Inventory Systems (CHRIS) office located in Rohnert Park, CA. (File No. 09-1090). This record search included checking ethnographic documents, historic maps, survey reports, site records and base maps pertaining to the Cuttings Wharf area of Napa County and in particular, within a one-half mile radius of the study area. The Office of Historic Preservation's (OHP) Historic Properties Directory was also consulted (OHP 2008). The Historical Resources, the list of California Historical Landmarks, and the list of California Points of Historical Interest. The Native American Heritage Commission was also consulted for information regarding Native American Sacred Sites and a list of the appropriate Native American organizations to contact regarding this project.

NATIVE AMERICAN SACRED SITES AND CONSULTATION

We requested that the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) conduct a search of the Sacred Land file to determine if there are sites listed within or near to the current project area. The NAHC works to identify, catalogue, and protect places of special religious or social significance, graves, and cemeteries of Native Americans per the authority given the Commission in Public Resources Code 5097.9. A search of the Sacred Land file did not indicate the presence of a Native American cultural resource in the immediate project area (Sanchez 2010).

We contacted each of the six Native American individuals/organizations on the list provided by the NAHC requesting further information about Sacred Sites or other cultural places in the area. On March 11, 2010 the author received an e-mail from Gene Buvelot, Sacred Sites Protection Committee for the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (FIGR), who stated that Napa County is not within their tribal territory and had no information or comment about the project. As of this date, no other responses have been received. If any comments are received they will be forwarded to the applicant and appended to this report.

PREHISTORIC / ETHNOGRAPHIC SETTING

The subject parcel is located in an area that was occupied by the Patwin Indians, although the Coast Miwok territory was immediately to the west (Johnson 1978; Kelly 1978). The Patwin were Wintun speakers related linguistically to other groups in the area and together are referred to as the Penutians (Johnson 1978). The Penutians occupied an area that stretched from Suisun Bay north to Princeton and from the Sacramento River west about 40 miles. That territory was further divided into smaller divisions based on dialects, the Patwin being one of these.

There is one ethnographic village site located in the general area, called *Aguasto*; but probable village centers were *Suskol* located about two miles to the northeast, and *Tulukai*, located between Suskol and Napa. *Suskol* is thought to have been a Patwin tribal center occupied for approximately 4,000 years and into the historic period (Heizer 1953). *Suskol* is a Patwin word meaning "rock mouth" and it has been suggested that the village was named for the presence of a lava tube in the immediate area (Heizer 1953; King 1974; Tamaz & Gardner 1978). The site has been recorded as the archaeological site CA-Nap-15/H and includes buildings and features from a historic settlement, Native American midden deposits with a variety of formed tools and ornaments, lot of obsidian debitage, house depressions, bedrock mortars, petroglyphs and Native American burials (Treganza 1946; Melandry 1978; Tamez and Gardener 1978; Eidsness and Martin 1991; Allison 1995). Analysis of Mission register data (Milliken in Stradford and Schwaderer 1982) revealed that in the early 1800s *Suskol* was likely a satellite village of the "Napa tribelet" of the Southern Patwin, a tribelet that would have held the entire lower Napa Valley area and the region south of the present town of Vallejo (Stewart in Stradford and Schwaderer 1982:3.5). According to their research, *Suskol* is thought to have represented a permanent winter village, whose greatest population density would have coincided with the seasonal migration of waterfowl. The native village was abandoned between 1860 and 1886 (Hendry and Bowman 1940, in Stradford and Schwaderer 1982) and by the

1870s the Patwin from the Napa Valley had disappeared altogether (Powers 1877). At least one aboriginal trail passed through or immediately near the village of *Suskol*.

Many of the recorded prehistoric sites in this area tend to be marked by a scatter of obsidian flakes located near streams, creeks, springs and seeps. Habitation sites are often marked by the presence of midden soil deposits (as a result of built-up decomposed organic matter), various kinds of chipped and ground stone implements and manufacturing debris, faunal and shellfish remains, fire-affected rock, and/or charcoal or ash from cooking fires. Midden sites often contain human remains as well. A scatters of chipped stone tools often marks campsites or short-term settlements. Other types of prehistoric activity areas include bedrock milling features (mortar depressions) or petroglyphs (rock art).

HISTORIC SETTING

The project area is situated in the 2,557-acre Mexican era land grant of Rincon de Los Carneros, bounded by the Napa River and Carneros Creek. The land was originally granted to Nicolas Higuerra in 1836, but when California became part of the U.S. and land claims had to be confirmed by the Board of Land Commissioners, Higuerra's claim was denied. The court later confirmed his title, in May of 1857. But by the mid 1840s there was an influx of American, German, French and Irish settlers who flocked to the Carneros region to raise sheep and cattle and grow agricultural products. By the 1870s much of the Carneros area had been subdivided and sold for farmland. Agricultural products included wine grapes, pears, plums, apples and apricots. Most products produced nearby were shipped from Cuttings Wharf, located about a mile to the south. to San Francisco.

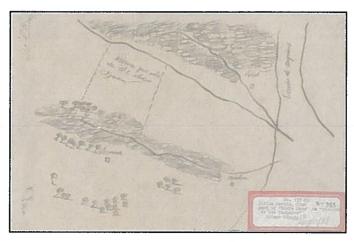


FIGURE 3: DISENO MAP OF THE RINCON DE LOS CARNEROS LAND GRANT.

According to historic maps of Napa County, in 1876 the project area was part of a 90.7-acre parcel owned by C.M. Green whose property stretched from Carneros Creek to Cuttings Wharf Road, which had been established by this time. By 1895 the 90.7-acre property had been sold to A. Chapman. Quite a bit of the surrounding land was owned by John Stanly who maintained a large ranch to the northwest, the remnants of which are recorded as a historic resource.

The 15' Mare Island topographic map from 1916 does not show that there were any structures within the project area at that time; but the USGS 7.5' Cuttings Wharf quadrangle map (1949; photorevised 1981) shows one structure was present in the area of the existing residence by 1949 and that an additional structure was added to the property between 1949 and 1981. These are situated where the existing residence and barn are located.

PREVIOUS CULTURAL RESOURCE STUDIES AND SITES WITHIN 1/2-MILE

A search of the reports and site records on file at Archaeological Resource Service and the NWIC indicates that the project area has not been previously surveyed for cultural resources and there are no known sites within the subject property. There are however, two prehistoric sites and a historic site located within a half-mile, and two properties nearby that are listed by the OHP in the Directory of Properties (2008).

CA-Nap-33 is the closest prehistoric site to the project area, located about 700 feet to the west. This site was recorded in 1947 as a habitation site on the east bank of Carneros Creek and marked by a scatter of obsidian flakes; and the landowner reported having many artifacts from the site. The site measured 90 feet east-west by 150 feet north-south (Larson and Bushnell 1947; Heizer 1953).

CA-Nap-743 is located along Carneros Creek southwest of the project area. It was recorded in 1987 when human remains were reported eroding from the creek bank (Beers 1987). The county coroner responded and state forms were prepared resulting in it being officially recorded with the CHRIS. The site is likely a habitation site similar to CA-Nap-33.

P-28-001186, located just over a half-mile to the northeast, is the former ranch complex of John Stanly, whose father was once owner of the *Rincon de los Carneros* land grant. Stanly's ranch consisted of a cookhouse, two residences, a winery and a dairy, of which a ranch house and some barns, including a carriage house are still present. The resource also includes a mile and a half stretch of road lined with eucalyptus trees planted by Stanly in 1856 (Nelson 2000). There are also several stone bridges, which had been previously reported by an archaeologist (Whatford 1992).

The following is a list of the previous	s studies that have been conducted	d within a half-mile of the project area.

S- Number	Year	Title	Author	Resources
S-1200	1978	Cultural Resource Assessment of the Napa-American Canyon Wastewater Reuse Program.	Peak & Associates	Nap-15/H, Nap-130, Nap-189
S-7266	1985	Archaeological Reconnaissance of the Las Amigas Road Bridge Project, Napa County, California.	Suzanne Baker	none
S-12492	1990	Archaeological Investigations in the San Pablo – Suisun Region of Central California	George Phebus	(overview)
S-15339	1993	A Cultural Resources Evaluation of the Lands of J. Jacobs, APN 47-310-06, 1014 Las Amigas Road, Napa, Napa County.	Katherine S. Flynn	none
S-16063	1994	A Cultural Resources Study for the Napa Carneros Pipeline Project, Napa County, California	Thomas Origer	none

The California Inventory of Historic Resources (1976) and the Historic Properties Directory (OHP 2008) were also consulted. The Historic Property Directory incorporates properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places, State Historic Landmarks and California Points of Historical Interest. The Directory of Properties lists a few properties nearby, including the circa 1919 M Ranch/Olandt Place at 2035 Cutting Wharf Road that may be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places; and the circa 1870 T.B. McClure House at 2874 Las Amigas Road. Other nearby properties include the Sasol House listed on the National Register and the remnants of the circa 1841 Cayetano Juarez Adobe (component of CA-Nap 15/H) on Suscol Avenue, which is a State Historic Landmark and a Point of Historical Interest, but needs to be re-evaluated to determine if it is eligible for the National Register (OHP 2008). None of these are close enough to be affected by the proposed project.

RESULTS OF FIELD SURVEY

On March 19, 2010 the author and Robert Gleaton of Archaeological Resource Service went to the subject parcel and conducted a pedestrian survey of the entire 11.5-acre parcel. The project area consists of vineyards and a single family residence with a detached garage, barn and a shed. The parcel is bordered by vineyards with single family residences on all sides and Cuttings Wharf Road on the east.

The project area was surveyed by walking transects through every other vineyard row, and inspecting the soil near the structures where transects were not the best method for inspection. The soil throughout the property was a medium brown-colored clay loam containing pebbles and a few cobbles. Vegetation included vineyards throughout with some landscaping plants and trees near the residence. The cover crops were somewhat thick between the vineyard rows, reducing the soil visibility to about 10% in



FIGURE 4: AT NEIGHBORING FENCE LINE LOOKING SOUTH TOWARDS EXISTING RESIDENCE AND PROPOSED WINERY LOCATION.

some areas and making an inspection of the soil more difficult. However, each surveyor used a hand trowel as a tool to push away the vegetation to inspect the soil below. This was done in all area where the soil could not be adequately viewed. Overall the soil visibility was about 50%.

The survey resulted in the identification of two obsidian flakes and structures greater than 45 years of age. One of the pieces of obsidian was an irregularly shaped chunk with cortex covering one surface of it, and was found between the vineyard northeast of the entrance and the driveway. The other was a small patinated flake found near the existing well in the northwest part of the property. The older structures include the residence, detached garage and shed. The barn does not appear to be older than 45 years of age.

The house appears to be a minimal traditional style house with ranch style elements that may have been added later. Overall the house appears to date to the 1940s and measures 60' by 40'. It has a simple rectangular shaped asymmetrical floor plan and a medium pitched roof with two front gables at either end of the front, separated by a wide eve over a porch with a single pane fixed picture window on either side of a brick fireplace. The fixed picture windows are different sizes, with the front door adjacent to the smaller window. The sides of the structure are also gabled and there is a porch off the southeast side with two separate doors. The house is clad with horizontally placed wood siding and the bottom two feet are clad with a rock façade placed over the wood siding, that appears to be a later addition. The fenestration includes aluminum sliding windows and fixed pane picture windows.

The detached garage is located on the south side of the house and measures about 15' by 20'. It is side gabled and clad with 3" drop lap siding. There is a wood sliding door on the southwest side and a single door on the northeast side. The door is a later addition. There is a shed on the north side of the house that has similar cladding as the garage and a single door that also appears new.



FIGURE 5: FRONT (NORTHEAST SIDE OF HOUSE).



FIGURE 6: SOUTHEAST SIDE OF HOUSE. DETACHED GARAGE IS IMMEDIATELY TO THE LEFT OF THE PHOTO POINT.

CONCLUSIONS

Two prehistoric artifacts and three structures greater than 45 years of age were identified within the project area. The two prehistoric artifacts are not considered a potentially significant cultural resource. They were found in different parts of the property and are considered isolated artifacts indicative of Native American use of the area.

The residence, detached garage and shed appear to be greater than 45 years of age. The barn does not appear as old. The residence appears to be one of the structures depicted on the USGS 7.5' Cuttings Wharf from 1949 that was built between 1916 and 1949. The garage and shed were likely built at the same time as the house. The barn appears to be the structure added to the property between 1949 and 1981 and it does not appear older than 45 years of age.

As part of the project the residence will be converted to an office, the garage will be used as storage and the barn will be removed and replaced with a winery building. None of the buildings appear to be potentially significant historic structures. They do not appear to be associated with an important historic event (CRHR, criterion 1); or are associated with a person important in history (CRHR, criterion 2); or are architecturally significant (CRHR,

criterion 3); or can yield further information about the past (CRHR, criterion 4). Therefore, they are not potentially significant resource worthy of further recordation or that would be eligible for listing on the California Register or a local listing.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Two isolated prehistoric artifacts and three structures greater than 45 years of age were identified within the property, but they are not potentially significant cultural resources that warrant further recording or recommendations.

No specific recommendations are warranted at this time since there are no historic properties or potentially significant cultural resources within or adjacent to the project area. However, there is always the potential for there to be sites or features that are buried or that were otherwise obscured during the surface survey. General recommendations are provided in the event that prehistoric or historic sites or features are discovered during excavation.

In the event that previously unidentified archaeological remains (prehistoric or historic) are encountered during the course of the project activities, all work should halt in the immediate vicinity of the discovery area and an archaeologist contacted to assess the find and make further recommendations, which may include an evaluation for potential significance and a data recovery plan.

If any artifacts or cultural deposits, including dark-colored soil containing shell fragments, are encountered during construction Archaeological Resource Service recommends that all work in the vicinity of the find be stopped until the discovery area can be evaluated by an archaeologist. Depending on the extent and cultural composition of the discovered materials, further testing may be warranted to gather information that would otherwise be lost. Subsequent monitoring by an archaeologist would also be advisable.

Native American artifacts typically found in the area include chipped stone tools made of chert or obsidian, flakes of obsidian or chert that are the remains of tool manufacture, ground stone items such as manos, pestles, or stone mortars, fire-affected rock, bone tools, faunal bone and shellfish fragments. Midden deposits are recognizable by the characteristic dark black soil with traces of shellfish and animal bone. Historic artifacts potentially include all by products of human land use greater than 50 years of age, but there is a low potential to encounter historic resources within the study area.

The discovery of human skeletal remains anywhere within a project area requires that work be discontinued in the vicinity of the discovery, while the county coroner is contacted. If the skeletal remains are found to be prehistoric, Native American and not modern, then the coroner must call the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) in Sacramento, which will designate the "Most Likely Descendant" (MLD) of the remains. The MLD will be responsible for recommending the disposition and treatment of the remains. Although the likelihood of encountering human skeletal remains in the project area seems slight, it is important to have a procedure for alternate tasks that can be put into effect quickly in the event that human remains are discovered. This allows construction work to continue while the remains are investigated.

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March 4, 2010

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Re: ARS 10-010; A Cultural Resources Evaluation of the Kent Rasmussen Winery Project, Napa County, CA.

Dear Ms. Sanchez:

Archaeological Resource Service has been retained to conduct a cultural resource evaluation of a property located on Cuttings Wharf Road in Napa County, CA. The Assessor's parcel number is 047-240-006. The property includes approximately 11.5 acres of vineyards land. The applicant is proposing a winery within the project area.

The project area is shown on the USGS 7.5' Cuttings Wharf, California quadrangle map. It is located in the Mexican era land grant of *Rincon de Los Carneros* Township 5 North, Range 4 West (Mt. Diablo base and meridian). The UTMs are 4232350 meters north and 560140 meters east. A location map is attached for your reference.

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No comment as Napa County is not in our traditional tribal territory.

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S-16063	1994	A Cultural Resources Study for the Napa Cameros Pipeline Project, Napa County, California	Thomas Origer	none

The California Inventory of Historic Resources (1976) and the Historic Properties Directory (OHP 2008) were also consulted. The Historic Property Directory incorporates properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places, State Historic Landmarks and California Points of Historical Interest. The Directory of Properties lists a few properties nearby, including the circa 1919 M Ranch/Olandt Place at 2035 Cutting Wharf Road that may be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places; and the circa 1870 T.B. McClure House at 2874 Las Amigas Road. Other nearby properties include the Sasol House listed on the National Register and the remnants of the circa 1841 Cayetano Juarez Adobe (component of CA-Nap 15/H) on Suscol Avenue, which is a State Historic Landmark and a Point of Historical Interest, but needs to be re-evaluated to determine if it is eligible for the National Register (OHP 2008). None of these are close enough to be affected by the proposed project.

RESULTS OF FIELD SURVEY

On March 19, 2010 the author and Robert Gleaton of Archaeological Resource Service went to the subject parcel and conducted a pedestrian survey of the entire 11.5-acre parcel. The project area consists of vineyards and a single family residence with a detached garage, barn and a shed. The parcel is bordered by vineyards with single family residences on all sides and Cuttings Wharf Road on the east.

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FIGURE 4: AT NEIGHBORING FENCE LINE LOOKING SOUTH TOWARDS EXISTING RESIDENCE AND PROPOSED WINERY LOCATION.

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The house appears to be a minimal traditional style house with ranch style elements that may have been added later. Overall the house appears to date to the 1940s and measures 60' by 40'. It has a simple rectangular shaped asymmetrical floor plan and a medium pitched roof with two front gables at either end of the front, separated by a wide eve over a porch with a single pane fixed picture window on either side of a brick fireplace. The fixed picture windows are different sizes, with the front door adjacent to the smaller window. The sides of the structure are also gabled and there is a porch off the southeast side with two separate doors. The house is clad with horizontally placed wood siding and the bottom two feet are clad with a rock facade placed over the wood siding, that appears to be a later addition. The fenestration includes aluminum sliding windows and fixed pane picture windows.

The detached garage is located on the south side of the house and measures about 15' by 20'. It is side gabled and clad with 3" drop lap siding. There is a wood sliding door on the southwest side and a single door on the northeast side. The door is a later addition. There is a shed on the north side of the house that has similar cladding as the garage and a single door that also appears new.

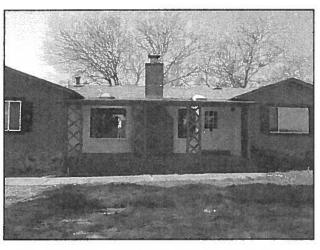


FIGURE 5: FRONT (NORTHEAST SIDE OF HOUSE).



FIGURE 6: SOUTHEAST SIDE OF HOUSE. DETACHED GARAGE IS IMMEDIATELY TO THE LEFT OF THE PHOTO POINT.

CONCLUSIONS

Two prehistoric artifacts and three structures greater than 45 years of age were identified within the project area. The two prehistoric artifacts are not considered a potentially significant cultural resource. They were found in different parts of the property and are considered isolated artifacts indicative of Native American use of the area.

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No specific recommendations are warranted at this time since there are no historic properties or potentially significant cultural resources within or adjacent to the project area. However, there is always the potential for there to be sites or features that are buried or that were otherwise obscured during the surface survey. General recommendations are provided in the event that prehistoric or historic sites or features are discovered during excavation.

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To: Gene Buvelot, Greg Sarris, Frank Ross with FIGR; Ya-Ka-Ama; Charlie Toledo with Suscol Tribe; and Scott Gabaldon with Mishewal-Wappo Tribe,

Archaeological Resource Service has been retained to conduct a cultural resource evaluation of a property located at 2125 Cuttings Wharf Road in Napa County, CA. The Assessor's parcel number is 047-240-006. The property includes approximately 11.5 acres of vineyards land. The applicant is proposing a winery within the project area. The project area is shown on the USGS 7.5' Cuttings Wharf, California quadrangle map. It is located in the Mexican era land grant of *Rincon de Los Cameros* Township 5 North, Range 4 West (Mt. Diablo base and meridian). The UTMs are 4232350 meters north and 560140 meters east. A location map is attached for your reference.

At our request, a search of the Sacred Lands File was conducted by the Native American Heritage Commission. The search failed to indicate the presence of a Sacred Site or other cultural resources in the vicinity of the project area; and they suggested we contact you for further information. We are seeking to identify all potentially significant cultural resources, including important Native American resources, within and adjacent to the project area.

If you have information that should be considered in this evaluation or if you have any concerns that the project may affect Native American cultural resources, please contact us within 30 days at the address or phone number listed below:

Please refer to ARS 10-010 in your communication with us. Thank you in advance for your participation in this evaluation process.

Best Regards,

Sally Evans
Archaeological Resource Service
122 American Alley, Suite A
Petaluma, CA 94952
(707) 762-2573 (voice)
(707) 762-1791 (fax)erely,



March 9, 2010

Ya-Ka-Ama 6215 Eastside Road Forestville, CA 95436

Re: ARS 10-010; A Cultural Resources Evaluation of the Kent Rasmussen Winery Project, Napa County, CA.

To Whom It May Concern:

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March 9, 2010

Ms. Charlie Toledo Suscol Intertribal Council P.O. Box 5386 Napa, CA 94581

Re: ARS 10-010; A Cultural Resources Evaluation of the Kent Rasmussen Winery Project, Napa County, CA.

Dear Ms. Toledo:

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From: Coastmiwok@aol.com (Coastmiwok@aol.com)

To: slyevans@yahoo.com;

Date: Wed, March 10, 2010 11:18:01 PM

Cc:

Subject: Re: ARS 10-010; A Cultural Resources Evaluation of the Kent Rasmussen Winery ...

No comment as Napa County is not in our traditional tribal territory.

Gene Buvelot
Sacred Sites Protection Committee
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

In a message dated 3/9/2010 8:45:32 A.M. Pacific Standard Time, slyevans@yahoo.com writes:

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