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November 6, 2007

#### DELIVERED VIA FACSIMILE

Jim King, Chair Napa County Conservation, Development, and Planning Commission 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Re: Use Permit Modification Request for V. Sattui Winery.

Dear Chair King, and Members of the Commission:

The Napa County Farm Bureau has reviewed the staff report concerning the aforesaid matter. and offers the following comments.

The Farm Bureau is pleased the application focuses on reducing traffic congestion on St. Helena Highway. The current level of traffic congestion on the highway adversely impacts the movement of agricultural crops and products.

The proposed measures to add parking and install a driveway improvement near Stice Lane does however raise a major concern. Land designated for agricultural use would be irreversibly paved over for the benefit of commercial activities located on a separate adjacent parcel zoned commercial.

It is clear from the record that this is not a case of a single integrated use on one parcel. The extended parking and driveway improvements serving those commercial uses are located on an adjacent parcel zoned for agricultural uses. The winery production facilities located on this zoned parcel are not integral to the deli and wine tasting on the commercially zoned adjacent parcel. We are concerned about ag land being converted to accommodate off-site commercial uses. The expanded parking should be located on the commercially zoned parcel. To locate commercial serving parking and a driveway on ag land would set a dangerous precedent.



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The planning commission should document in writing in its resolution findings to address the issue of precedent.

There is also a major concern regarding the ability of the county to enforce any of the proposed conditions of approval. The history of the existing land uses reveals that there are a number of violations of conditions and illegal expansions. The conditions of approval should include specific time frames for periodic review by the planning commission of the conditions of approval. Further, the applicant should be required to keep records by an independent third party to assist staff and the commission in monitoring the compliance with conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Nissen NCFB President

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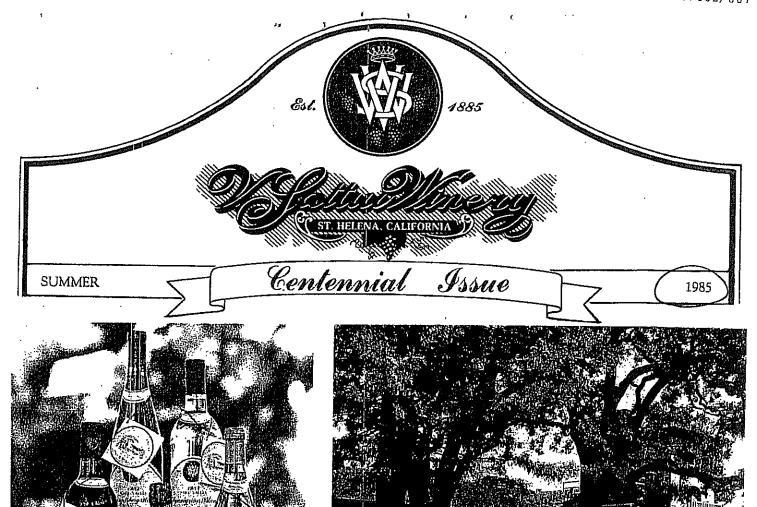
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Throughout 1985 all of our current wines will have special Centennial neck labels and bottle hangers commemorating our 100th birthday. Five of our current offerings are shown here with their special Centennial packaging.

Picnicers are already enjoying our new picnic area in the shade of the giant oaks by the watch tower of the new winery. It will be here, on the outdoor sunken patio and in the wine cellar of our new building that we will host our Centennial dinner extravaganza on Saturday evening, July 20. Your personal invitation is inclosed.

## **Centennial Wines**



#### For Sale This Year Only!

In special celebration of our Centennial, we have designated all of our current releases as Centennial Wines. Each bottle is now appointed with a special shoulder label indicating it as a Centennial wine with the signature of Vittorio Sattui, the winery's founder. Also, a small folder

depicting the history of the winery will be hung on each bottle throughout 1985.

These specially labeled Centennial wines will be sold during his year only, making each bottle a collector's wine.

#### Commemorative Gold Medal Madeira

In addition to our Centennial designations, we have released for sale a Limited Commemorative Bottling of our Gold Medal California Madeira. This wine still contains some of the

## Centennial Dinner Extravaganza your personal invitation is enclosed!

Don't forget! On Saturday evening, July 20 at 7:15 p.m. we will be hosting our Centennial Dinner celebration at the new winery preceded by a special champagne reception at 6 p.m.

Your personal invitation is enclosed with this newsletter. Hot air balloon rides for the adventuresome (weather permitting), live music and a tour of the new winery will also be part of the festivities!

Don't miss out on the fun! Enjoy the fine food, wines and camaraderie with your fellow oenophiles. Seating is limited, so to ensure a reservation for you and your spouse — and friends, please complete and return the reservation portion of your invitation with your check as soon as possible.

If you will be coming from any distance that will require overnight accommodations, may we suggest that you make room reservations now—or within the next few weeks — since July 11/06/2007 18:13 P. 003/007



On your next visit to our tasting room we think you will be pleasantly surprised. As shown here, the tasting room has been expanded to allow us to increase the length of the tasting bars, display our wines better and provide more room for visitors without the crowding we have had on busy weekends.

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\*\*\*BRONZE MEDAL — Intervin 1986

Our most highly-rated MUSCAT to date, don't miss out on this last chance to buy this light, sweet fragrant dessert wine. Only 75 cases remain is stock!

#### LAST CHANCE TO BUY AT CURRENT PRICE

#### CALIFORNIA MADEIRA

Current Price \$13.75 per Bottle 6 Bottle Maximum

Price effective April 1, 1987 \$14.75 per Bottle (10% Discount when mixed with other wines)

\*\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL — 5th International Wine Competition, Czechoslovakia

\*\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL - Orange County Fair

\*\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL — Los Angeles County Fair, also SPECIAL AWARD "BEST OF CLASS"

Since its release almost 10 years ago, we have extolled every virtue that has been said or judged about our MADEIRA. Most people never leave V. SATTUI without a wee sip of the Madeira, it's that good.

Our Madeira is alot more than just a dessert wine to us, it's a tradition. When one mentions V. SATTUI, usually our Madeira comes to mind too.

This liqueur-like Port will always be given top billing at the winery. We invite you to call ahead and make an appointment to visit our solera in our underground cellar. It is only here where we can really show you the magic that surrounds the caring of this old port wine. We'll even let you sample a little of the old master blend from barrels, which is as close as you can get to heaven-from a barrel, that is!

## About our Mailing List

W e feel we are currently selling some of the finest wines the winery has produced. You enthusiastic response to our Holiday Newsletter proved this. (Mailing list purchases accouted for over 40% of our total holiday sales.)

Because this pubication is so important to us, we are always looking for ways to improve it. If any of you have comments e on our newsletter or on our shipping services, please let us know

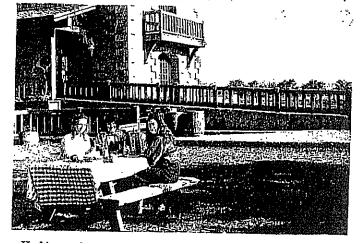
# New Gifts & Goodies in our Cheese Shop

A long with the expansion of the rasing room, our cheese shop is also undergoing some additions and renovations. New deli cases are soon to be installed including a special pastry case.

Over the years we have added many domestic and imported cheeses that have created a wonderful variety that will satisfy just about any palate, and now with our new display cases we will be able to better present our complete selection of over 200 cheeses along with all the delicious homemade desserts, salads and condiments prepared by our local confectioners.

On your next visit you will also find some new gift items that are soon to be added including a porcelain bottle stopper with the V. Sattui logo that now being produced in Germany.

And with spring just around the corner, our picnic grounds have been manicured and planted with new spring flowers. What better way to savor wine country than to picnic with friends and enjoy some fine wine and cheese? Remember, if you would like to arrange a private picnic for 25 or more, call the winery and we will be happy to have your selected picnic foods fresh, ready and waiting when your group arrives at the winery.



## The Spring of Life

#### Comes Back to the Napa Valley

My dictionary gives 27 different definitions for the word spring, it can mean anything from a "spring" mattress to a flow of water from the ground. My dictionary also says that spring is the time of year when plants begin to grow after lying dormant all winter; hence it is any period of beginning or newness as, the spring of life.

And so, once again, on March 20, the spring of life will officially return to the Napa Valley bringing a newness and fresh rebirth to the vineyards and surrounding hillsides. At this writing the winter rains have been less than usual, but still the Valley floor has turned a bright green and the California poppies and blue lupin wild flowers are just beginning to appear in the fields and along highway 29.

The ubiquitous golden mustard weed, which replentishes nitrogen to the soils, is still knee deep in most of the vineyards but will soon be disked under within the next few weeks. Although most of the priming has been completed, crews can still be seen here and there moving quierly down the long rows of vines. If you are a photography buff, now is a wonderful time to photograph in this valley with the lush green and yellow ground cover contrasting with the dark, bare vines.

I have always wondered why more people don't come to the Valley in March and April. To me, it is the most beautiful season to visit. The pace is slower, the roads are less crowded, the winter rains are over and the weather is mild, sunny and clear. Over the winter months restaurants and inns have spruced up and welcome your return.

Here at V. Sattui Winery we are completing a few changes



This black and white version of early spring in the Napa Valley waspainted by Valley artist, Mel Amaral. The scene is a familiar one with a knarled vine surrounded by mustard weed and green grass.

that should make your visits more pleasant and enjoyable. In our old winery building we have moved some walls and expanded the tasting room and made some additions to the cheese shop. We are also continuing to complete some finishing touches and landscaping around the new winery, which was recently cited by the St. Helena Chamber of Commerce as an outstanding addition to the town of St. Helena.

As always, we look forward to seeing you here at the winery and hope your visits will continue to be informative, fun and most importantly, provide an opportunity for you to sample some of the world's finest wines.

'82 Reserve Cab...Continued from page 1

top American wine!

In 1981, we decided not to make a reserve. We felt the vintage did not quite measure up to our reserve stock standards. Ironically, in 1985 the San Francisco National Wine Competition awarded the 1981 Preston Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon the covered Sweepstakes Trophy, rating it above 2,000 entries as the BEST WINE IN AMERICA! (Even a winemaker can be fooled.)

In 1982, we knew we had the makings for a reserve vintage. Even before fermentation was complete, the framework was there for an outstanding wine. (Our assessment of this vintage was most recently re-confirmed by the tasting panel of the Wine Spectator. In a tasting that compared 1978 through 1982 California Cabernets, they rated 1982 the best!)

Five years later, we are very proud to release the 1982 Preston Vineyard RESERVE STOCK Cabernet Sauvignon. A GOLD MEDAL WINNER in its first competition (American Wine Championships, New York), this wine is already exhibiting the virtues of classic Cabernet Sauvignon and collector's wine. Destined to be one of our greatest, don't miss this special release price of \$25.00 per bottle. Only 400 cases produced.

#### You Are Invited... Continued from page 1

On Saturday evening, April 25, we will celebrate a third happening of the '87 season with a Wine and Food Extravaganza also to take place in the cellar of the new winery.

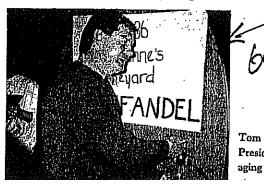
This event will pair a selection of V. Sattui wines with epicurean gourmet foods prepared by The Bay Area's renouned chef, Andre Mercier. Working together with Andre, we have planned 7 different "stations" where a selected wine, or wines, will be tasted while sampling an appropriately matched gourmet dish. Station 2, for instance, will match our Chardonnay with Bay Scallops in Ginger and Lime and Gravlox of King Salmon! See your invitation for the other match-ups!

This evening of pairing delectable cuisine with fine wines should prove both educational and most certainly, enjoyable to the palate!

Both of these two special events will provide an opportunity to discuss our wines with myself and my staff, and make purchases of futures, new and current releases at special discount prices. As in past events, our accommodations are limited, so please complete and return your reservations as soon as possible in order not to be disappointed. With one month separating Other Special Events for 1987 Season

Other events scheduled for the balance of this season are: June 20 — 1st Annual Wine and Dance Party August 15, 22, & September 19 — Second Annual Harvest Dinner Series

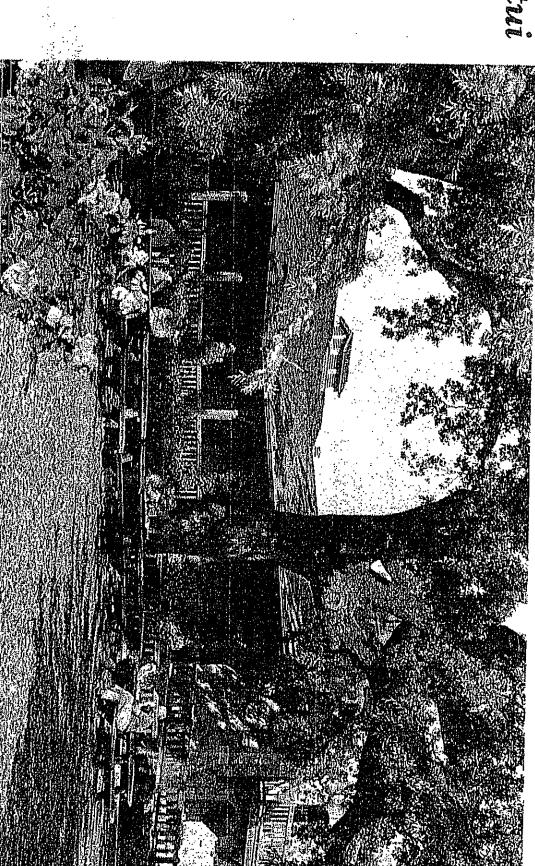
October 10 — A Special Vintage Tasting
Our Summer Newsletter will carry more details on these remaining '87 V. Sattui Happenings!



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Tom Davies, our Vice President, pours a still aging zinfandel from the barry

SUMMER NEWSLETTER, 1987



always a special way to enjoy the Napa Valley. No matter what route you take, a summertime picnic under the oaks at V. Sattui is

back to highway 29. Turn right on highway 29 and you are about ½ mile from

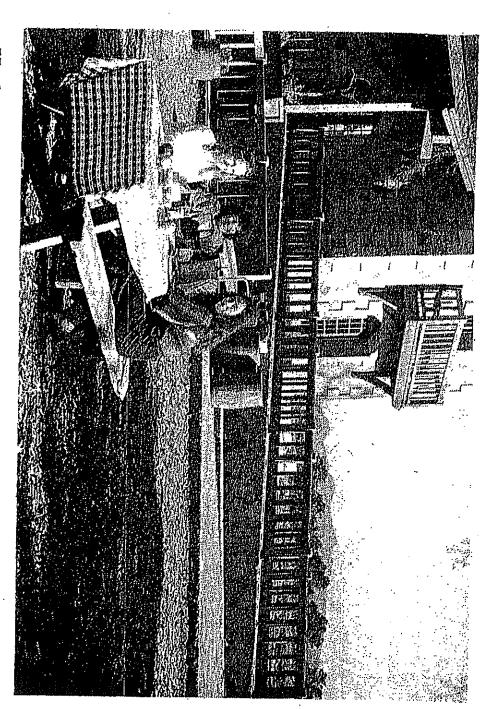
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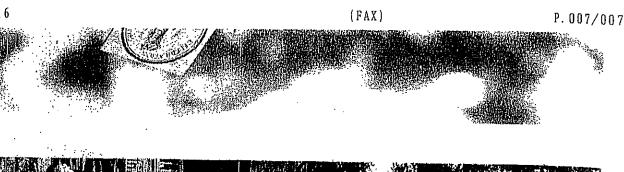
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Sagon and Wini Adams of Santa Rosa herald the spring season by picnicing under the giant oak by the winery's watch tower. Harbinger of spring — Vanessa Van Dyken form Hawaii and Beverlee





and in the wine cellar of our new building that we will host our Centennial dinner exby the watch tower of the new winery. It will be here, on the outdoor sunken patio Picnicers are already enjoying our new picnic area in the shade of the giant oaks

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Kelly & Michael Wheaton 1335 Inglewood Ave. St. Helena, CA 94574 October 30, 2007

Napa County Planning Attn: Chris Cahill 1195 Third St. Suite 305 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Use Permit Mod

Dear Planning Commissioners and concerned parties,

We have several comments regarding the V. Sattui Use Permit Mod. The first are generally positive, but the latter are concerns that are extremely important but quite probably will be overlooked or dismissed, but that should be raised and addressed by the Planning Commission.

First, we believe the new traffic circulation plan will improve traffic conditions for residents of White Lane and Inglewood Ave neighborhoods.

Second, we would encourage the Planning Department to require pervious surfaces in the new and expanded vineyard parking areas. We have a real problem in this area with the recharging of groundwater stores. Everything that can be done to lengthen the time water has to soak into the ground rather than being diverted in the way of runoff should be undertaken.

Third, it is to be commended that both the County and V. Sattui Winery are undertaking a modification of their Use Permit which will codify the requirements that the public would hope that the County enforces. However, everyone is aware of longstanding abuses of V. Sattui's Use Permit. From a public perspective this is a bit like giving amnesty to illegal immigrants. Everyone realizes the need but no one likes condoning illegal activity and past abuse.

Fourth, we have a real problem with the proposed numbers of visitors and the vastly expanded Marketing Events. Although we understand where these numbers were derived we believe they are grossly overstated and incorrect. Taking V. Sattui's self-reported glass count and adding 40% is absurd at best. To illustrate this let us take V. Sattui's current stated use on their 2003 Use Permit Modification application and compare that with their 2003 proposal and the current 2007 Proposal:

	EXISTING 10/03	PROPOSED 10/03	PROPOSED 10/07
Visitors busiest day	2000	2000	2625
Visitors average/week	3500	5800	18,375

This is over a 900% increase over the existing numbers in 2003 and over 300% increase over the 2003 proposal. Now the County may think that 18, 375 visitors a week is okay but anyone living in the area will know this is absurd. This would amount to nearly 1 million visitors over the course of a year (955,500). The majority of this increase is due to a huge expansion in marketing events. Even though the Deli is on commercial property its number of visitors is constrained by its parking. In allowing V. Sattui to expand its parking into surrounding Ag/vineyard land and increasing the convention center aspects of V. Sattui's Use Permit the county is setting some dangerous precedents. This may allow other wineries to sue the County for allowing an unfair advantage to V. Sattui.

Frankly the neighborhood is tired of trying to protect their interests against insurmountable odds. This issue will probably get little more than lip service if it is raised at all, but we are writing so that the historical record will reflect a real concern with outrageously high numbers of events and visitors allowed under this proposal.

The current proposal includes:

3 X 200 person events per **week** = 10,400 visitors a year 10 X 700 person events per year = 7,000 visitors a year 100 X 250 person dinners per year = 25,000 visitors a year 175 X 200 person events per year = 35,000 visitors a year

#### TOTAL Special Events Visitors possible =104,400 visitors a year

We would argue that this excessive expansion should not be approved. This is in stark contrast with the Hall Winery use Permit for Special Events which included a total of 4,260 Special events visitors per year. We hope that the County will seek a more prudent and realistic number.

Thank you for your consideration,

Michael Wheaton

Kelly Wheaton



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31 October 2007

TO: Napa County Planning Department

FROM: Tom C. Davies, President

RE: LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM NEIGHBORS

The enclosed letters are from our neighbors on White Lane and on Inglewood Ave. Many of these letters were submitted 2 years with our Use Permit Major Modification packet.

We have recently contacted all the neighbors again to confirm their endorsement of Use Permit P05-0184-UPMOD and all the neighbor's letters contained in this packet have be reaffirmed in support of our use permit modifications.

1111 White Lane, St. Helena, Napa Valley, California 94574 2 miles south on St. Helena highway (707) 963-7774 www.vsaltui.com Fax (707) 963-4324 October 30, 2007

To the Napa County Planning Commissioners,

Dear Commissioners,

I am a White Lane resident living a couple of hundred yards from V. Sattui Winery. I have seen V. Sattui Winery's proposal regarding legalizing overflow parking. I have also seen V. Sattui Winery's proposed solution to traffic congestion in the vicinity of White Lane south of St. After discussions with V. Sattui Winery on the matter and their requests for additional events I feel that the V. Sattui Winery solution is a win-win for everyone, and I wholeheartedly endorse it.

Sincerely,

Stan Cook

955 White Lane

St. Helena 94574

November 2, 2005

Dear Board of Supervisors,

My wife and I have been neighbors of V. Sattui Winery for many years and live directly across from the winery and picnic area on White Lane. We have always found Daryl Sattui, Tom Davies and the entire staff of V. Sattui Winery to be very courteous and respectful.

We are in support of V. Sattui's proposal to add overflow visitor parking next to the winery and to eliminate the visitor exit at White Lane and relocate it to the existing Suzanne's Vineyard driveway, about 900 feet south of White Lane. We feel these improvements, along with the addition of a middle turn lane extending down to Stice Lane will help improve traffic congestion that sometimes exists on Highway 29 and White Lane, and provide adequate parking for guests of the winery.

We also understand that the winery has applied for a permit to formally recognize weddings and receptions at the winery. We have never been bothered or inconvenienced by weddings or any other special events held at the winery and would support V. Sattui's request to continue holding weddings.

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Sincerely,

Martin and Luzmari

1148 White Lane

St. Helena, CA 94574

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1184 White Lane
St. Helena, California

Dear Board of Supervisors,

We are neighbors of V. Sattui Winery, living directly across from the winery on White Lane for the last 12 years.

We understand that V. Sattui, which has been conducting weddings and wedding receptions since 1987, has had them taken away by the County. We do not have a problem with their weddings/receptions, as they have not inconvenienced us. We encourage you to reinstate these events, as these are important marketing events for the winery.

Secondly, we have been aware for years that V. Sattui parked customer cars in its vineyard. This has never bothered us. We are aware that V. Sattui is attempting to obtain County approval in the form of a modified Use Permit for its overflow parking. Having seen V. Sattui's proposed traffic circulation plan, we feel this is a vast improvement over the existing intersection at White Lane and Hwy. 29. The new plan will go a long way towards decongesting the area and should be beneficial not only to White Lane and to Ingelwood Ave. neighbors, but to all locals and businesses in the south St. Helena corridor. We highly recommend that the County legalize Sattui's overflow parking and encourage them to adopt the proposed traffic circulation plan.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

Cheio Suals (Rosio Avalos) Oct 30 2005



October 31, 2007

Mr. Terry Scott Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Dear Commissioner Scott:

As the owner of a vineyard east of and adjacent to the V. Sattui Winery on Highway 29 in St. Helena, I am aware of the overflow parking issues at this location. Darryl Sattui has informed me of the new traffic circulation plan that he is proposing to the planning commission therefore I wish to express my support for this forward thinking project.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 707-963-5170. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

Koerner Rombauer

#### David and Carol Ainsworth 1039 White Lane Saint Helena, CA 94574 Tel: 707.968.9971

Fax: 707.968.9981

September 17, 2005

Board of Supervisors County of Napa 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Re: Use Permit Modification Application # 267 475 UP V. Satui Winery

#### Dear Board of Supervisors:

We are the new owners of residential/agricultural property adjacent to the V. Satui winery on White Lane. We have lived in Saint Helena for two years, and are intimately familiar with the traffic patterns and problems in the corridor along Highway 29 between the driveway at Press restaurant north of White Lane and the Mobil Station south of Inglewood.

The management of V. Satui contacted us as part of an outreach effort to educate the neighbors concerning the above-referenced application. We reviewed the proposed redirection of visitor traffic entering on White Lane and exiting on the access road to the Satui warehouse south of the winery. The overflow parking along the existing vineyard road that would be approved by a grant of the application was also explained to us.

As property owners adjacent to the winery on White Lane, we would like to urge the Board of Supervisors to grant the requested application because of the substantially beneficial contribution that the Satui proposal would make to a chaotic traffic situation along the corridor in question. The county has permitted development along the west side of Highway 29 in a manner that has resulted in multiple entry and exit points for land uses that attract many vehicles throughout the day. That traffic, together with the Satui traffic, has created a high volume of uncontrolled vehicular traffic entering and leaving on both sides of the street, but without the benefit of a continuous turning lane.

The Satui proposal would cut the Satui traffic in that problem corridor by half and would feed the redirected winery visitor exit traffic into Highway 29 via a safer and less confusing new driveway well south of Inglewood

Road. Also, the extended turning lane on Highway 29 will make that stretch of Highway 29 much safer. The Satui winery's undertaking of such a beneficial circulation improvement is to be commended and, we believe, expeditiously approved.

With respect to the upcoming hearing on November 1st for the Satui winery's request for a CVN to continue to host weddings and receptions. we would like to say that we have no objection to such activities. In fact, we recently had a wedding in our family and quickly learned of the excess of demand over supply for suitable facilities for weddings in the Valley. We are certain that the county's staff is aware that this shortage is forcing weddings into unlicensed facilities operated by opportunistic and sometimes disreputable people at inflated prices (which was our experience.) County regulatory policy that tends to remove scarce facilities that are suitable for weddings and receptions and force such gatherings into residential neighborhoods ill suited for amplified music. high density parking, and substantial food and alcohol consumption seems contrary to the public interest. Napa County's primary commercial interests, viz., agriculture and tourism, are better served by allowing such activities to be conducted in wineries - often the first choice of venue for the participants. Wineries in general, and the Satui winery in particular, tend to possess the facilities to accommodate weddings and receptions on a substantially non-nuisance basis. They should be allowed to meet this demand where they can demonstrate the requisite capacity.

Yours very truly.

Dear Board of Supervisors,

September 1, 2005

As White Lane neighbors of V. Sattui Winery, we have been closely following the events of the past couple of years with the traffic, parking and congestion on Highway 29 through the corridor from Stice Lane to Sulfur Springs Road.

It has always made sense to us, that cars entering V. Sattui should exit through the existing egress road in the vineyard. That is a vast improvement both from a safety point of view and a traffic congestion point of view for everyone concerned in this overly populated area. We would encourage the County to approve the proposed circulation plan that V. Sattui has presented.

We have been homeowners on White Lane since 1998, and have found V. Sattui to be extremely sensitive reighborr to those of us living there. We have never been disturbed or inconvenienced by their events, parking patterns, or activities on their grounds. We understand that V. Sattui has applied for a modified Use Permit for its overflow parking, and we have seen the drawings of these proposals. We have no objections to any of these proposed plans, nor have we ever had any objections to the after hours events (ie, weddings, rehersal dinners, non profit fund raisers, etc) that have been held there in the past.

We feel, it is in the best interest of all the neighbors, businesses along that Route 29 section, and the continuing operation of V. Sattui that the County legalize their proposed overflow parking and traffic circulation plan to the benefit of everyone along with their continued marketing events, and we urge the County to do so.

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With many thanks for your kind attention to this matter,

Peter and Bonnie Lind 1031 White Lane St. Helena, 94574, Ca. September 7, 2005

Tom C. Davies, President V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

Dear Mr. Davies,

My wife and I have resided on White Lane since early 1999. We are the fourth house located east of V. Sattui Winery. We have been requested to write this letter on their behalf, as we have been very happy with the winery as our close neighbor. They have always treated us respectfully and hospitably. The winery and their employees have gone the extra mile to be certain that they have as little negative impact as possible on White Lane. It is not a perfect world, but in my opinion V. Sattui Winery has responded excellently to the desires of the people on White Lane. At times there is a problem on exiting White Lane because of the traffic that is ever increasing on Hwy 29. This is also the same exit of other businesses on the west side of Hwy 29. However, this is really a minor point.

Daryl Sattui and Tom Davies did meet with my wife and me, and discussed the new plan to control traffic by having winery-goers exit only on the private road a couple hundred yards south of the Sattui Winery. If Hwy 29 is increased to a three-lane at this location, I feel that would go a very long way in improving the traffic control pattern on White Lane and Hwy 29, and also for the people exiting the businesses on the west of Hwy 29.

As far as special functions such as weddings are concerned, noise has really never been a factor for us. At times, we are able to enjoy music in the distance but rarely are the sounds of any crowd or voices audible. I feel that we live in an ideal location, and are able to hear the whistle from the wine train and the occasional music from V. Sattui Winery. We feel that this location is as serene and pleasant as any place that we have had the pleasure to live. I feel the winery has been most responsible in handling all of their functions. There has really never been a negative impact for us. I feel that the entire community is indebted to the wine industry for the prosperity that many are enjoying, and I do feel that the V. Sattui Winery is one of the leaders in enhancing the image of the Napa Valley to the rest of the world.

Sincerely,

James E. Lies, M.D.

Carol Anne Lies

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I own the St. Helena Wine Merchants, on the corner of Highway 29 and Inglewood Avenue, directly across from the V. Sattui Winery. In regards to V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP, I would be in support of the county to sanction the overflow parking area. This parking area is only used as on overflow for the existing lots, which does not happen on a daily basis. In addition, since the parking area is already in use I can't see how making it legal would change anything. Eliminating that parking area could cause greater congestion at the current entrance/exit as cars looking for non-existing empty parking spots would be forced to exit or circle the parking lot again.

However, the conditions that V. Sattui proposes would definitely help some of the traffic problems which exist. The section of Highway 29 from Inglewood Ave past Dean & Deluca can be quite hazardous. Eliminating the cars turning south out of V. Sattui would make a big difference, especially for those turning north from the west side of Highway 29.

Jeff Yates

St. Helena Wine Merchants

Board of Supervisors County of Napa 1195 Third Street Napa, Calif. 94559

Dear Board of Supervisors:

We are neighbor's of V. Sattui Winery, residing at 1248 Inglewood Avenue, in St. Helena.

Regarding: Permit Application #267-485 up —submitted by V. Sattui Winery:

We think that this would help eliminate the congestion at White Lane – Hwy 29 – Inglewood Avenue. We know that this will not solve all the traffic night mare's we are facing here on Inglewood Ave. but anything is worth a Try to help solve these problems.

We are in favor of giving this proposal a try.

Also would like to mention – improvement has been made By V. Sattui Winery with the Tour Buses, Mobil homes and Limo's parking on Inglewood Avenue.

Singerely,

Harrison Brownell

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Anita Brownell

1248 Inglewood Avenue

St. Helena, Calif.

## Leslie Rudd

CARMEN CROSSROAD, P.O. BOX 105 CARMENT, CATHORNIA 9950. THE PRIORIES ASSOCIATION FOR 945 1204

4 October 2005

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

RE: Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Having seen the plans for the proposed overflow parking area adjacent to the V. Sattui Winery, I would like to state my support for this project. The proposed changes would be a definite improvement over existing conditions resulting in decreased traffic congestion and better traffic flow in the area.

I would encourage the county to officially sanction this project as it benefits not only V. Sattui Winery but nearby businesses, locals and visitors to the area.

Sincerely,

Leslie Rudd

Chairman of the Board

Dean & DeLuca

LGR:nm

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TO: Napa County Planning Department

FROM: Tom C. Davies, President

RE: LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM VINTNERS, GROWERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The enclosed letters are from winery owners, growers and community members. Many of these letters were submitted 2 years with our Use Permit Major Modification packet.

We have recently contacted all these people again to confirm their endorsement of Use Permit P05-0184-UPMOD and all the letters contained in this packet from community members have been reaffirmed in full support of our use permit modifications.

Some letters have not arrived as of today, but we be forwarded to the planning department prior to the meeting on November 7.

1111 White Lane, St. Helena, Napa Valley, California 94574 2 miles south on St. Helena highway (707) 963-7774 www.vsaltui.com Fax (707) 963-4324



September 19, 2005

Mr. Brad Wagenknecht Napa Valley Supervisor District 3 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Dear Supervisor Wagenknecht:

I am writing to urge your favorable consideration of the proposed revisions to parking and to the traffic circulation plan of the V. Sattui Winery, South of St. Helena.

I have personally visited the site and have carefully reviewed the "Proposed Traffic Circulation Plan" date August 2005. In my opinion, V. Sattui has proposed a credible and positive solution to a number of on-going problems, not all of which are of their own making.

I sincerely believe the Sattui organization has once again demonstrated its merit as a "dues paying" member of the Napa Valley community

Respectfully,

Joseph Phelps

## DARIÕUSH

October 30, 2007

Chairman James King; Commissioners Bob Fiddaman, Rich Jager, Heather Phillips and Terry Scott, Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning Commission 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559-4336

Re: V. Sattui Winery Modification

Dear Chairman King and fellow Commissioners:

I am writing to advise you that I wholeheartedly support V. Sattui Winery's use permit major modification to legalize its previous visitation levels, increase its marketing events and approve its traffic circulation plan and additional parking.

It is my understanding that V. Sattui Winery has located and forwarded its glass count information to the Planning Staff that establishes its baseline visitation. This type of information has been allowed at other wineries and is an appropriate tool for wineries who have not been required to count visitors in the past, but who have recently been requested to document their historic visitors. The increase in marketing events is not uncommon and is the only way this winery markets its wine since it is not sold outside the winery. In order to address the valid concerns of the neighbors regarding extreme delays experienced exiting and entering White Lane, the sole entrance and exit for the winery, V. Sattui Winery proposes to use a road south of the winery for all existing winery visitors. This should alleviate the wait time for those using White Lane and make circulation much better on Highway 29 – a benefit to everyone in the area!

We should thank V. Sattui Winery for all its efforts encouraging visitors to visit the Napa Valley and taste their wines. We all benefited from their efforts over the years.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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October 31, 2007

Napa County Conservation Development and Planning 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Terry Scott Planning Commissioner

Darryl Sattui has brought to my attention his proposed Use Permit Modification which will be presented to you on November 7. I would like to express my support for his proposal for the following reasons. The traffic circulation plan will improve the traffic flow in the southern part of St. Helena which will be very beneficial to not only the residents but also to our visitors. The expanded parking proposed for V. Sattui's vineyard is also needed to serve his wine customers. As a winery owner, I understand how difficult it can be to market wine and Sattui's model of selling directly to consumers needs to be encouraged.

Finally, I am of the understanding that the Napa County Planning staff has recommended his proposal for approval and I commend them for their support.

Yours sincerely,

**Boots Brounstein** 

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Dear Planning Commissioner,

I have reviewed the proposal by V. Sattui Winery asking for expanded parking in its vineyard, and I am wholeheartedly in support. As a winery owner I know how difficult it is to sell wine. V. Sattui has developed a successful formula for doing so over the years and wish to have sufficient parking for all their loyal customers. They should be allowed to expand their parking lot in their vineyard, especially as they will remove virtually no vines. This is a clear case of ag land supporting ag — wine sales of wine produced by them. It is also clear that this expanded parking and exiting customer cars closer to Stice Lane will alleviate not only traffic congestion but safety concerns along the highway as well.

Sincerely,

Jan Schrem

Founder/Proprietor Clos Pegase Winery.

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October 31, 2007

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Subject:

Permit Modification Request # P05-0184-Mod

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To whom it may concern:

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I have spent time with the V. Sattui group in reviewing and trying to comprehend the extent of the permit application for modifications at the V. Sattui Winery.

ST. HELENA

It appears to me that the community as a whole is going to gain from the reduction of traffic congestion on Highway 29.

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I further believe the improvements are consistent with the Napa County land use regulations.

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August 25, 2005

Mr. Daryl Sattui V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

Re: V. Sattui Traffic Circulation and Renovation Plan

Dear Daryl:

Thank you very much for taking the time to present the Traffic Circulation and Renovation Plans that you have for the V. Sattui Winery.

As your neighbor to the north, I must say the plan looks like it would be a substantial benefit to the traffic congestion that currently occurs in the area of V. Sattui Winery and Dean & DeLuca.

I also believe that your neighbors on White Lane will benefit as well as your visitors who will be able to take advantage of increased parking and easy south access to Hwy. 29. The left turn lane extension to Stice Lane will dramatically improve the traffic situation in that area and you should be commended for absorbing the cost for the lane.

Please feel free to present this letter of support to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of Sutter Home Winery.

I wish you all success in this project.

Sincerely,

ROGER J. TRINCHERO Vice Chairman and CEO

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#### MIKE THOMPSON

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October 17, 2005

Mr. Tom Davies, President V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

Dear Mr. Davies:

I am writing to support V. Sattui's efforts to reduce traffic congestion at Highway 29 and White Lane by installing a center lane and redirecting the flow of its guests as they enter and exit the winery.

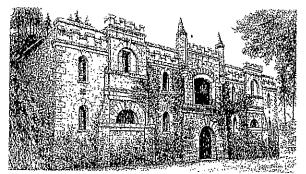
It is my understanding that V. Sattui has proposed to decongest traffic by moving its exit 900 feet south to an area of less density. In addition to installing a center lane so that its exiting vehicles can use two lanes (a north and south lane), V. Sattui would no longer use White Lane to enter its parking lot.

These changes to the flow of traffic in and around Highway 29 and White Lane appear to be a responsible solution that will provide benefits for local businesses, nearby neighbors and visiting tourists. I am pleased to support you in this worthwhile endeavor.

MIKE THOMPSON

Member of Congress

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#### CHATEAU MONTELENA WINERY

September 13, 2005

To: The Napa County Board of Supervisors

Re: V. Sattui Winery Use Permit

Application #267475UP

From: James L. Barrett

Chateau Montelena Winery

Chateau Montelena strongly endorses the V. Sattui Use Permit Application.

For over 34 years I have driven up and down Highway 29 and seen traffic conditions become worse and worse. This congestion of cars, trucks, semis, motorcycles & bicycles is something we are all well aware of. Six out of seven days a week I drive past Dean & DeLuca, also I have entered (and exited) from there onto the highway so I have had many frustrating/harrowing experiences doing so. My experience is not unique; it happens to locals and tourists alike every day as they visit these businesses or the V. Sattui Winery across the way.

The problem is that the entrance/exit to the highway that services Dean & DeLuca, Press Restaurant, Flora Springs Winery and The Roastery Coffee Shop is directly across from the Whitehall Lane/V. Sattui Winery Road. There is high volume traffic entering and exiting Highway 29 from both sides – directly opposed. Clearly, this is an uncontrolled (no stop lights or stop signs) four-way intersection with high-density traffic. It is a potentially dangerous situation.

Hundreds have worked to pass and improve the Green Belt Ordinance in the 70's, 80's and 90's so as to protect our Valley from having it become another Silicon Valley/San Jose Megopolis. I've been one of those people working to protect our Valley and our vineyards so any intrusion of business other than farming in our Greenbelt is suspect.

There are times, however, when it makes sense to allow vineyard land to be used for parking to make sure that a winery provides adequate parking for its visitors.

Two examples come to mind (there are, as you know, others):

- 1. The Rudd Winery and Vineyard was permitted to move its Silverado Trail entrance to Oakville Cross Road and convert its vineyard land for parking.
- 2. The Duckhorn Vineyards was allowed to convert vineyard land to parking to insure adequate parking for its visitors.

It seems to me that this Use Permit Application works to the benefit of all the involved parties:

- 1. The <u>homeowners</u> will no longer have to share the use of Whitehall Lane with V. Sattui customers who will only be allowed to exit to Highway 29 Down Valley 900 feet. As a result, the homeowners will have the <u>exclusive use of exit from Whitehall Lane resulting in less congestion or waiting to enter Highway 29.</u>
- 2. The <u>Dean & DeLuca</u>, <u>Press Restaurant</u>, <u>Flora Springs Winery Sales Room</u> and <u>The Roastery</u> businesses; by relieving traffic congestion at their one entrance/exit and reducing the probability of a serious traffic accident.
- 3. The <u>General Public</u> (all the thousands of people who drive on Highway 29). The major question to be asked here is, "Is this of benefit to the Napa Valley"? The answer to this question is without question the overriding consideration as to whether to approve or deny this Application. Manifestly, to allow traffic to flow more smoothly with less congestion is highly desirable. To reduce the possibility/probability of a serious traffic accident is of major benefit.

It is for the reasons stated above that we strongly recommend <u>Approval</u> of this Permit Application.

Jim Barrett – Owner/Operator Chateau Montelena Winery

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Board of Supervisors Napa County 1125 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Napa, CA. 94558

September 12, 2005

Re: V. Suttui Winery

Dear Supervisors: Brad Wagenknecht, Mark Luce, Diane Dillon, Bill Dodd, Harold Moskowite,

This letter is written in support of the application of V. Suttui Winery to streamline its traffic circulation plan for traffic to and from its facility, off and onto Highway 29; to obtain recognition of its historical marketing plan and minor revision thereof; to obtain minor modifications of Sattui's use permit in order to provide for the requested approvals.

I have read the complete text of Suttui's application and wish to add the name of Swanson Vineyards to the list of other wineries in support of Suttui's petition.

Due to the economic challenge presented by the globalization of the domestic and international wine markets and the growing concentration of ownership within the industry, it is vital that small wineries be able to promote and sell wine directly to consumers. Without the ability to sell directly, small wineries, such as Suttui and Swanson will be fatally handicapped. Napa will simply become one vast corporate production facility for international companies with little interest or concern for this unique and beautiful valley.

It's to the Counties interest and the interest of it's citizens to maintain an economic environment in which small wineries can promote and develop direct sales to consumers. That can only be done by putting the county's support behind policies that preserve and expand wineries right to sell directly to the public. Toward that end, I ask for the Planning Commissioner and Board of Supervisor's approval of the Sattui Winery petition.

W. Clarke Swanson Swanson Vineyards Quixote Winery -- 6126 Silverado Trail, Napa, California 94558 -- Ph 707. 944. 2659 -- Fax 707. 944. 9360 -- E mail quixote@napanet.net

September 19, 2005

Dear Napa Board of Supervisors,

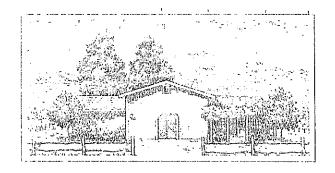
As a long time resident of Napa I am quite aware of the traffic problem at White Lane and Highway 29. With the change and expansion of uses on the west side of Highway 29 the problem is becoming critical.

I believe that the proposed circulation plan will help the traffic congestion and improve safety in the area.

I strongly encourage the County to approve the proposed plan.

Sincerely

Carl Doumani



September 25, 2005

Mr. Daryl Sattui V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

RE: V. Sattui Traffic Circulation and Renovation Plan

Dear Daryl,

Thank you for your fact sheet informing us of your application for a modification to your permit.

As a neighbor to the south, we look forward to the benefits we will enjoy as drivers on Hwy. 29.

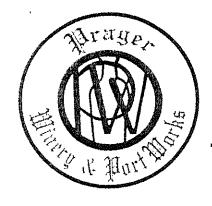
It looks like a good option for everyone; neighbors, visitors and residents of White Lane especially. The left lane extension to Stice Lane will dramatically improve the traffic situation in our area and you should be commended for absorbing the cost for the lane.

Please feel free to present this letter of support to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of Milat Vineyards and Michael and Carolyn and Robert and Joyce Milat personally.

I wish you success in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Milat Owner/Partner



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To: Napa County Board of Supervisors From: Prager Winery & Port Works

Subject: V Sattui Winery,

Use Permit Application #267475UP

Date: October 5, 2005

#### To Whom It May Concern:

I have reviewed V. Sattui's plans and intent to change the exit and improve overflow parking, and I approve the plan. I agree it should alleviate congestion in that area. The Napa Valley is a destination point. This brings traffic and V. Sattui's plan would help mitigate this event at that location with positive ripple effect of better traffic control mid valley. I, like other Winery owners, want our customers to be safe, educated about food and wine, and entertained.

In short, we want them to come back to the Napa Valley. I support V. Sattui's objective for obtaining County approval for an overflow parking lot in their vineyard.

Very truly yours,

James Prager

Prager Winery & Port Works



November 28, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

I support V. Sattui Winery in its appeal to the Napa County Board of Supervisors in order that V. Sattui Winery can continue its seventeen year tradition of hosting weddings at their winery.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 707-967-2200.

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Sincerely,

Marc C. Mondavi

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August 15, 2005

Heather McCollister, Principal Planner
Napa County Department of Conservation, Development & Planning
1195 Third Street, room 210
Napa, CA 94559

Mr Steve Lederer, Deputy Director

Re: V. Sattui Winery Use Permit Modification, 1111 White Lane, St. Helena, CA 94574

Gentlemen:

I am writing in support of the County granting the Use Permit Modification.

The project involves improving traffic flow by having the entrance to winery on White Lane (one way), entrance only. The exiting will be via a perimeter road around the winery that will gain access to Hwy 29 to the south of the winery. Also improved parking is to be provided.

I understand that there has been discussion of the zoning of the property to be used for the access road & additional parking. Wineries are permitted on AP zoning with a conditional use permit. Note that the main use of the site is a winery with direct wine sales. The deli is a draw but its sales are incidental to the winery sales.

In their other Napa Valley projects the Sattui's have a track record of high quality of building.

Please grant the Use Permit Modification. Thanks.

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September 7, 2005

Brad Wagenknecht County Supervisor, District 1 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Brad,

I am writing in support of Daryl Sattui's proposal to decongest traffic at White Lane and Hwy 29. His suggestion to reroute traffic to an alternative egress point and his willingness to install a center turning lane would significantly alleviate the traffic issues along that stretch of the highway and result in increased community safety for all.

I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of his application as proposed.

Since\tely,

Ja¢k Cakebread ¢hief Executive



September 7, 2005

Mark Luce County Supervisor, District 2 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Mark,

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I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of his application as proposed.

S<del>i</del>ncerely,

Jack Cakebread Ghief Executive



September 7, 2005

Diane Dillon County Supervisor, District 3 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Ms. Dillon,

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Sincerely.

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September 7, 2005

Bill Dodd County Supervisor, District 4 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Bill,

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Sincerely,

Jack|Cakebread Chief Executive



September 7, 2005

Harold Moskowite County Supervisor, District 5 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Harold,

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I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of his application as proposed.

Sincerely,

Íack Cakebread Chief Executive

November 29, 2005

Napa County Supervisors

RE: Major Modification use permit application #267 475 UP

#### Dear supervisors:

Thank you for your hard work in behalf of the people of Napa Valley. You have many issues before you that are complex and very strenuous and the decisions you make affect many families. The issue before you regarding the V. Sattui Winery approval or denial of request for a certificate of legal non-conformity is one of these issues.

If V. Sattui Winery has been having wedding events since 1987, before the 1990 winery definition ordinance was adopted and now the county has restrained the business and stopped it, the County in effect has taken a stance against the ideals American wineries were founded upon, free enterprise.

Some Board members may believe V. Sattui Winery has created too much traffic because it has become a super successful destination for many coming to Napa Valley. In reality, the rules created by the county have created the problems. If you restrict all winery permits so people can't picnic or eat food and they all have to visit one winery with that permit for unlimited people with picnicking and food sales, then in essence, haven't you created the problem? Restraining trade always creates more problems than free enterprise.

Picture all wineries in Napa County being able to have weddings, unlimited tastings, picnicking and food. The traffic would be spread across the board. All neighbors buying property in Napa Valley would be notified that they are living in a winery destination area and tourists will be around spending money, increasing the County tax coffers and driving up real estate values. If they don't like it, they shouldn't live here. There are many beautiful, peaceful areas in Mendocino County and other places in California.

Napa Valley is funded by tourism. People are here to visit small family owned wineries and meet the vintners who make a living on small farming operations. People are not here to see Mobil-Exxon type processing conglomerates.

The Board should not penalize V. Sattui Winery because they are successful. They should embrace them and help them solve the problems that the county rules have caused.

The Del Dotto Family will always stand on the side of free enterprise and less government regulation and sincerely request the Board to consider restoring V. Sattui Winery's permit to have weddings.

David Del Dotto

Del Dotto Family Winery



November 29, 2005

To: Napa County Board of Supervisors

Re: V. Sattui Winery, Use Permit Modification #267 475Up

From: David I. Freed, Chairman UCC Vineyards Group

UCC Vineyards Group strongly supports the V. Sattui Modification to its Use Permit #267 475UP.

As a major supplier of Napa valley grapes to Napa Wineries we support V. Sattui's continued use of an existing vineyard road for overflow parking. We also support the legalization of their prior practice of hosting of weddings and receptions at their winery.

It seems to me that as a county we should support our established wineries, especially those like V. Sattul that have succeeded in marketing Napa wines to a broad spectrum of wine drinkers.

As someone involved with the Wine Market Council's effort to broaden the base of wine drinkers, I fully appreciate the wine industry's need to reach out and market in non-traditional ways to the American consumer. The last 10 years have taught us that if we don't pay attention to our customer base other countries will.

I trust you will give careful consideration to approving this modification of use permit for the V. Sattui Winery.



### Ernest Van Asperen

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July 8,05

St Helena Star

#### "LETS LIGHTEN UP ON DARYL SATTUI"

My wife, Virginia and I move to St Helena in 1968, opened up the wine shop across the street from Sattui winery. "Ernie's Wine Warehouse"

I have watched the winery grow, pouring free wines to taste with Daryl behind the counter, day after day, building one of the finest winerys in the valley.

Like everyone else, I dislike the long lines of traffic, people coming in to St Helena. Watched to changes in the retail stores in town. We do have one of the most exciting areas to live in. That this attracts thousands of tourest, its the price we pay.

The winery has done a few weddings as long as I can remember, and how many winery today pour wines to taste for free? So some customers parked in the employee area, --Lets lighten up.

Think of the thousands of people that enjoy fine wine, go home and talk about there visit. Groups can enjoy a sandwich, wine, picnic and not spend a bundle of money.

Thank you Daryl,

Ernie Van Asperen

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NAPA VALLEY CALIFORNIA

November 30, 2005

Mr. Brad Wagenknecht Napa Valley Supervisor District 3 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

#### Supervisor Wagenknecht

Regusci Winery endorses the V. Sattui Use Permit application that you have before you. On many occasions, the congestion of traffic flow between V. Sattui and Dean and Deluca during peak periods during the day has generated a very serious traffic safety concern. Not only are the vehicles exiting from both sides of the highway at the same time, you often have to be aware of visitors that are trying to walk across the highway from one facility to another.

I have reviewed the "Proposed Traffic Circulation Plan" dated August 2005 that V. Sattui has put before you and I feel that this proposal is a positive solution that will benefit all. The V. Sattui Winery has demonstrated its value as a member of the Napa Valley community and it is for those reasons I strongly recommend that you endorse this plan.

On another topic, V Sattui has been hosting weddings since 1985 and I believe that they should be "grandfathered in" and allowed to host weddings at their winery facility. Prior to the adoption of the "W.D.O." policy that prohibits weddings at winery facilities in the Napa Valley, this has been another avenue for V. Sattul to market and promote their wines. I feel that they should not be restricted or deprived of conducting business as they have done for the last 20 years.

Sincerely,

Jim Regusci President

Regusci Vineyard Management and Winery

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Kelly & Michael Wheaton 1335 Inglewood Ave. St. Helena, CA 94574 October 30, 2007

Napa County Planning Attn: Chris Cahill 1195 Third St. Suite 305 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Use Permit Mod

Dear Planning Commissioners and concerned parties,

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We have several comments regarding the V. Sattui Use Permit Mod. The first are generally positive, but the latter are concerns that are extremely important but quite probably will be overlooked or dismissed, but that should be raised and addressed by the Planning Commission.

First, we believe the new traffic circulation plan will improve traffic conditions for residents of White Lane and Inglewood Ave neighborhoods.

Second, we would encourage the Planning Department to require pervious surfaces in the new and expanded vineyard parking areas. We have a real problem in this area with the recharging of groundwater stores. Everything that can be done to lengthen the time water has to soak into the ground rather than being diverted in the way of runoff should be undertaken.

Third, it is to be commended that both the County and V. Sattui Winery are undertaking a modification of their Use Permit which will codify the requirements that the public would hope that the County enforces. However, everyone is aware of longstanding abuses of V. Sattui's Use Permit. From a public perspective this is a bit like giving amnesty to illegal immigrants. Everyone realizes the need but no one likes condoning illegal activity and past abuse.

Fourth, we have a real problem with the proposed numbers of visitors and the vastly expanded Marketing Events. Although we understand where these numbers were derived we believe they are grossly overstated and incorrect. Taking V. Sattui's self-reported glass count and adding 40% is absurd at best. To illustrate this let us take V. Sattui's current stated use on their 2003 Use Permit Modification application and compare that with their 2003 proposal and the current 2007 Proposal:

	EXISTING 10/03	PROPOSED 10/03	PROPOSED 10/07		
Visitors busiest day	2000	2000	2625		
Visitors average/week	3500	5800	18,375		

This is over a 900% increase over the existing numbers in 2003 and over 300% increase over the 2003 proposal. Now the County may think that 18, 375 visitors a week is okay but anyone living in the area will know this is absurd. This would amount to nearly 1 million visitors over the course of a year (955,500). The majority of this increase is due to a huge expansion in marketing events. Even though the Deli is on commercial property its number of visitors is constrained by its parking. In allowing V. Sattui to expand its parking into surrounding Ag/vineyard land and increasing the convention center aspects of V. Sattui's Use Permit the county is setting some dangerous precedents. This may allow other wineries to sue the County for allowing an unfair advantage to V. Sattui.

Frankly the neighborhood is tired of trying to protect their interests against insurmountable odds. This issue will probably get little more than lip service if it is raised at all, but we are writing so that the historical record will reflect a real concern with outrageously high numbers of events and visitors allowed under this proposal.

The current proposal includes:

3 X 200 person events per **week** = 10,400 visitors a year 10 X 700 person events per year = 7,000 visitors a year

100 X 250 person dinners per year= 25,000 visitors a year

 $175 \times 200$  person events per year = 35,000 visitors a year

#### TOTAL Special Events Visitors possible =104,400 visitors a year

We would argue that this excessive expansion should not be approved. This is in stark contrast with the Hall Winery use Permit for Special Events which included a total of 4,260 Special events visitors per year. We hope that the County will seek a more prudent and realistic number.

Thank you for your consideration,

Michael Wheaton

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## **Allied Grape Growers**

A California Wine Opape Growers Cooperative Serving California

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October 30, 2007

Terry Scott Planning Commissioner 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559

RE: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #P05-0184-MOD

Dear Mr. Scott,

I am writing on behalf of Allied Grape Growers, a California winegrape marketing association serving its members since 1951 through the effective and equitable marketing of their grapes. Allied represents over 500 members throughout California with 19 grower/members in Napa County.

I have been a member of the Fresno City Planning Commission for over 16 years and understand the need for planning and policies intended to protect residences, businesses and the general public. There have been many times when items have come before me that appear to be black and white yet they have gray areas of interpretation. I respect your responsibility and ability to try and make things work out for all parties involved.

After reading the request from V. Sattui Winery, I am asking you to support Sattui's efforts to reduce traffic congestion at Highway 29 and White Lane by redirecting the winery's exiting traffic 900 feet south to an area of less density and installing approximately 1,300 feet of center lane from Inglewood Lane to Stice Lane. The additional over-flow parking along the vineyard road will also benefit neighbors and visitors.

I have reviewed the other components of the use permit modification and fully support those elements as well, including the additional marketing events.

It is vitally important that we continue to support agriculture in Napa County, and I believe Sattui's use of the vineyard road for exiting traffic and overflow parking is consistent with Napa County land use regulations and zoning. Thank you for your consideration of the use permit modification.

Sincerely

Nat DiBuduo President CEO

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Chairman James King; Commissioners Bob Fiddaman, Rich Jager, Heather Phillips and Terry Scott, Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning Commission 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559-4336 RECEIVED

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Re: V. Sattui Winery Modification

Dear Chairman King and fellow Commissioners:

I am writing to advise you that I wholeheartedly support V. Sattui Winery's use permit major modification to legalize its previous visitation levels, increase its marketing events and approve its traffic circulation plan and additional parking.

It is my understanding that V. Sattui Winery has located and forwarded its glass count information to the Planning Staff that establishes its baseline visitation. This type of information has been allowed at other wineries and is an appropriate tool for wineries who have not been required to count visitors in the past, but who have recently been requested to document their historic visitors. The increase in marketing events is not uncommon and is the only way this winery markets its wine since it is not sold outside the winery. In order to address the valid concerns of the neighbors regarding extreme delays experienced exiting and entering White Lane, the sole entrance and exit for the winery, V. Sattui Winery proposes to use a road south of the winery for all existing winery visitors. This should alleviate the wait time for those using White Lane and make circulation much better on Highway 29 – a benefit to everyone in the area!

We should thank V. Sattui Winery for all its efforts encouraging visitors to visit the Napa Valley and taste their wines. We all benefited from their efforts over the years.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Hillary Gitelman Napa County Conservation Development and Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

Re: Comments on V. Sattui Winery - Use Permit Modification Request

Dear Ms. Gitelman:

This letter is in reference to the current proposal by V. Sattui for a use permit modification. As a long time resident of and current business owner in the Napa Valley, I want to express my concern regarding the scale of modifications in advance of the Planning Commission Hearing on Wednesday, November 7, 2007.

The area surrounding the named parcels at St. Helena Highway and White Lane has experienced a significant increase in transportation and traffic issues, contributed to in part by the onset of numerous recent construction projects. As such, I anticipate that the extent of the modifications requested may unduly contribute to already sensitive infrastructure issues.

I would like to encourage public officials in Napa County to consider a modified alternative to the existing request. I believe a compromise is the most reasonable solution to meet the needs of V. Sattui Winery while minimizing the potential environmental impacts. If you have any question or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Heitz Myers 2486 Spring Mountain Road

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November 1, 2007

To: Napa County Planning Commission

Re: V. Sattui Winery, Use Permit Modification P05-0184

From: David I. Freed, Chairman **UCC Vineyards Group** 

UCC Vineyards Group strongly supports the current V. Sattui Use Permit Modification P05-0184.

As a major supplier of Napa Valley grapes to Napa wineries we support V. Sattui's proposed modifications to the adjacent Highway 29 and the winery which will improve and enhance ingress and egress and parking at the winery for its visitors.

As I stated in my previous letter of November 29, 2005 pertaining to U-267475 we should fully support our established wineries, especially those like V. Sattui that have been successful in marketing Napa wines to a broad financial spectrum of wine drinkers.

The California wine industry needs to continue to reach out and market wine in a myriad of ways to the American consumer. According to a recent Gallup Poll there are now more wine drinkers than beer drinkers. It's wineries like V. Sattui that have contributed directly to building the U.S consumer base. The last 10 years have taught us that if we don't pay attention to our customer base other countries will.

I trust you will give careful consideration to approving the requested modification of use permit for the V. Sattui Winery.

FAX MEMO:

TO: Chris Cahill & Hillary Gitelman Napa County Planning FAX 707-253-4336 RECEIVED

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RE: Sattui USE PERMIT MOD #P050184-MOD

Attached find a copy of the Sattui Application for USE PERMIT dated 10/13/2003. I respectfully request that the information attached be used to update the staff report (including worksheets) to reflect the inflation in numbers that happened between 2003 and the present request. I do not suspect that Chris overlooked this material but rather it may have gone astray during Heather McCollister's tenure or during the transition. I think this warrants at least an attempt to locate the missing documents on your end. (And yes I realize the file is huge in large part do to the number of complaints over the years.) The skewing of numbers is much more evident when this material is included.

From: Kelly Wheaton 707963-9609

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## **APPLICATION FOR USE PERMIT**

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Applicant's Name: V. SATTUI WINERY	
Telephone #:(707 963-7774 Fax #: 107)963 -4324	
Mailing Address: 1111 White Lane St. Helena	
Status of Applicant's Interest in Property: V. Sattui Winery Corp	
Property Owner's Name: V. Sattui Winery	M H
Telephone #:707963 - 7774 Fax #:707963 - 4324	E-Mail: info@vsattui.com
Mailing Address: 1111 White Lane St. Helana	CA. 94574
Site Address/Location: 1111 White Lane St. Helena	CA 94574
Site Address/Location: 1111 White Lane St. Helena Giv Assessor's Parcel #: 030-260-035	Size: 23.27 (2 parcels)
certify that all the information contained in this application, including but not limited to information sheet, site plan, plot plan, floor plan, building elevations, water supply/waste complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize such investigations are deemed necessary by the County Planning Division for preparation of reports related the property involved.  SATTULWINGLY BY:  Signalurid Applicant	the information sheet, water supply/waste disposal disposal system plot plan and toxic materials list, is one including access to County Assessor's Records
TO BE COMPLETED BY CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT AND P	ANNING DEPARTMENT
otal Fee: \$2350.00 Receipt No. 203-00361 + Received by:	

#### INFORMATION SHEET

ı. U	ISE
A	Description of Proposed Use (attached detailed description as necessary) (including where approproduct/service provided): Refer to enclosed project statement
В.	
C.	. Estimated Completion Date for Each Phase: Phase 1: 1 month Phase 2:
D.	Actual Construction Time Required for Each Phase: [x] less than 3 months [] More than 3 months
<b>E</b> .	
F.	Additional Licenses/Approval Required; None
	District: Regional: Fodosti
	State: Federal:
I. BL A.	JILDINGS/ROADS/DRIVEWAY/LEACH FIELD, ETC.  Floor Area/Impervious area of Project (in square ft): 107, 249 sq ft.
	Proposed total floor area on site: 32,723 sq. ft  Total development area (building, impervious, leach field, driveway, etc.) 122,416 sq. ft.  New construction: roadway  existing structures or existing structures or portions thereof to be utilized: 32,723 sq. ft. moved: 0
В.	
	fiving: N/A storage/warehouse: 11,917 offices: 2,200 sales: 4300 caves: N/A otherwinery - 17,400septic/leach field: 29,500 sq. ft. roads/driveways: 86,030
C.	Maximum Building Height existing structures: 10'-24' new construction: N/A
D,	Type of New Construction (e.g., wood-frame): roadway improvements
E.	Height of Crane necessary for construction of new buildings (airport environs): N/A
. F.	Type of Exterior Night Lighting Proposed: N/A
G.	Viewshed Ordinance Applicable (See County Code Section 18.106): Yes Nox
H,	Fire Resistivity (check one; If not checked, Fire Department will assume Type V – non rated);
	RKING Existing Proposed  Total On-Site Parking Spaces: 134 254 254
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D.	Loading Areas:

#### WINERY CALCULATION WORKSHEET

#### 1. **WINERY COVERAGE**

Parcel size: 23.27 acres Total winery coverage: 2,63 acres	Percent of winery coverage of parcel size:				
Spray disposal field	Ŏ				
Wastewater pond or SDSD					
Above-ground wastewater and run-off treatm	nent systems:				
Access driveways to the public or private rd	13,100 sg. ft.				
Walkways	4,975 sq. ft.				
Loading areas	341 sq. ft.				
Parking areas	57,100 sq. ft.				
All paved areas:					
Storage areas (excluding caves)	11, 917 sg ft				
Tank areas	6,502 sg. ft				
Outside work areas	3; 072 sg ft				
Footprint of all winery structures	17,400 sq. ft				
All paved or impervious ground surface are	as of the production facility:				

#### 2. PRODUCTION FACILITY

Crushing	3,072 sa. ft.
Fermenting	8,523 sg. ft.
Bottling	640 sg. ft.
Bulk & boitie storege-warehouse	13.938 sg. ft.
Shipping	incl. above in warehouse
Receiving	341 so ft
Laboratory	98 sa ft
Equipment storage & maintenance facilities (excludes fire protection facilities)	1,520 sq. ft.
Employee-designated restrooms	0

#### 3. **ACCESSORY USE**

Office space	1,250 6q. ft.
Lobbies/wailing rooms	
Conference/meeting rooms	
Non-production access hallways	200 cg ft
Kilchens	n
Tasting rooms (private & public areas)	2560 sa ft
Retail space areas	
ibraries	n
Visitor restrooms	576 sq. ft
And display areas	0
Any other areas within the winery structure not	
firectly related to production	0

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Production Capacity.

	a. existing capacity: 96,000 gal, date authorized: 1986
	b. current maximum actual production (year): 96,000 gal (1999)
	c. proposed capacity: <u>n/a</u>
6.	Grape Origin. (Fill out a "Initial Statement of Grape Source" form if establishing a new winery or expanding an existing winery development area and include with application form.)
7.	Winery Development Area. (see a below - for existing winery facilities) Will the project involve construction of additional facilities beyond the winery development area?
8.	Total Winery Coverage. (see b below – maximum 25% of parcel or 15 acres, whichever is less) a. square feet/acres:2.63
	b. percent of total parcel: 6,99
9.	Production Facility. (see c below – include the square footage of all floors for each structure) a. square feet:
10.	Accessory Use. (see d below - maximum permitted 40% of the production facility)
	a. square feet: 4,586
	b. percent of production facility: 16_3

#### 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 perticular 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 halfways, 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.

# USE PERMIT APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SHEET FOR WINERY USES

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b. E_fermentation	Epublic drop-in (In tasting roo
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d. <u>E</u> bottling	<u>N</u> wine trade
e. E case goods storage	m. $\stackrel{ ext{E}}{=}$ retail wine sales
f. N caves:	<u>E</u> public drop-in
Nstorage Underground	N public by appointment
Eower Cellars	n. E public display of art or
g. <u>E</u> underground waste disposal	wine-related items
h. N above ground waste disposal	o. E_ picnic areas
i. E administration office	p. <u>E</u> food preparation
j. E laboratories	q. N custom production
k. N_ day care	*Existing for private
	tasting in winery any marketing or educational events not listed
necessary): Refer to enclose	and proposed activities. Attach additional sheets if marketing plan.
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Napa Valley Wine Auction Activities. (Desconduct as part of the annual Wine Auction):  in the wine cellar  Food Service. (Describe the nature of any food private, whether profit or non-profit, frequency of	cribe the size and type of event that you may Proposed wine auction dinner for thirty (30) people.  I service including type of food, whether public or service, whether prepared on site or not, kitchen ween existing and proposed food service. Atlach

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	C,	Anticipated Number of Shifts:	_1	_1
	D.	Expected Number of Full-Time Employees/Shift:	14	25 winter/30 summer
	E.	Expected Number of Part-Time Employees/Shift:	6	5 winter/2 summer
	F.	Anticipated Number of Visitors  • busiest day:	_2000	2000
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	G.	Anticipated Number of Deliveries/Pickups • busiest day:	_3	_5
		• average/week:	_10	20
V.	SUP	PLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR SELECTED US	SES	
٠.	A.	Commercial Meeting Facilities Food Serving Facilities		
		<ul> <li>restaurant/deli seating capacity;</li> <li>bar seating capacity;</li> <li>public meeting room seating capacity;</li> <li>assembly capacity;</li> </ul>	450 picnic ar	·ea
	B.	Residential Care Facilities (6 or more residents)  Day Care Centers n/a  - type of care:  - total number of guests/children:  - total number of bedrooms:  - distance to nearest existing/approved facility/center:	Existing	Proposed

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Mr. Christopher Cahill Napa County Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

Dear Mr. Cahill:

#### SATTUI WINERY PROJECT - USE PERMIT MODIFICATION

Thank you for continuing to include the California Department of Transportation (Department) in the early stages of the CEQA process for the Sattui Winery project. The following comments are based on the Use Permit Modification Application. Our previous comments still apply and are incorporated here by reference.

Landscape Maintenance Site plan sheet 5 should clearly indicate whether or not there are any trees or plantings within the State Right of Way (ROW). If there are any trees and/or plantings in the ROW, mitigation will be required. Since this is a conventional highway, the applicant will need to maintain any landscaping per an agreement with the local agency.

**Design** There is an exiting two-way left turn lane (TWLTL) in the median within the project limits. The project proposes left turn pockets in the median. When the left turn pockets are in place, the TWLTL in the median will be in conflict with the left turn pockets and the TWLTL will need to be removed.

The standard traveled way cross slope is between 1.5% and 3%. If this is not attainable, a mandatory design Exception Fact Sheet needs to be processed under Index 301.2(2)(b).

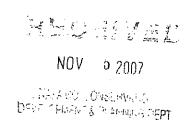
Please feel free to call or email Sandra Finegan of my staff at (510) 622-1644 or sandra finegan@dot.ca.gov with any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely

District Branch Chief

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October 31, 2007

Mr. Terry Scott Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Dear Commissioner Scott:

As the owner of a vineyard east of and adjacent to the V. Sattui Winery on Highway 29 in St. Helena, I am aware of the overflow parking issues at this location. Darryl Sattui has informed me of the new traffic circulation plan that he is proposing to the planning commission therefore I wish to express my support for this forward thinking project.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 707-963-5170. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

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Dear Planning Commissioner,

I have reviewed the proposal by V. Sattui Winery asking for expanded parking in its vineyard, and I am wholeheartedly in support. As a winery owner I know how difficult it is to sell wine. V. Sattui has developed a successful formula for doing so over the years and wish to have sufficient parking for all their loyal customers. They should be allowed to expand their parking lot in their vineyard, especially as they will remove virtually no vines. This is a clear case of ag land supporting ag — wine sales of wine produced by them. It is also clear that this expanded parking and exiting customer cars closer to Stice Lane will alleviate not only traffic congestion but safety concerns along the highway as well.

Sincerely,

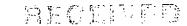
Jan Schrem

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#### Cahill, Christopher

From: Kelly Wheaton [a4est42@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Friday, November 02, 2007 12:38 PM

To: tkscottco@aol.com; jjager@napanet.net; heathertp@comcast.net; chance@napanet.net; Bob

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Cc: Dillon, Diane; Cahill, Christopher; Gitelman, Hillary

Subject: RE: Restaurants and Convention Centers in the AG Preserve?

RE: USE PERMIT MOD #P05-0184

#### Dear Commissioners,

First, my apologies for the scary title of this email! I have put in calls to some of you and would be happy to discuss this with you in more detail (963-9609). To cut to the chase somehow relevant information disappeared or was not included in the staff report for decision on the Sattui Winery Use Permit Modification which you will be hearing next Wed. This material is Sattui Winery's Use Permit MOD dated 10/31/2003. I have faxed the copy that I have to The Planning Dept. but I am unsure as of this writing whether it will be included. I suggest you ask for it if you have not received it. Without this application my previous communication with the Department will not make much sense.

Second, V. Sattui Winery is asking for 100 private dinners per year for up to 200 guests at each dinner. That is one every 3 1/2 days! Most restaurants in the valley would be ecstatic with that kind of business and I am deeply concerned at this number and the kind of activities that V. Sattui Winery is asking for in the Ag Preserve as well as the possible legal precedents this may set. This is in addition to three 200 person private wine tours per week (156 per year) AND 175 private 200-person picnics per year. The expansion of marketing events to include these numbers further erodes the definition of a winery and preservation of agriculture. V. Sattui Winery is asking for permission to legally have 461 special events per year with numbers of between 200-700 guests. This is in stark contrast to Hall winery that received permission for 3 marketing events per week for 30 persons and twelve 100 person events per year.

#### The staff report states:

"Staff has no particular objection to the requested additional private dinners, however, as is the case with the club member events, we are concerned that the comings and goings associated with guests and service staff may lead to conflict with the Noise Ordinance."

I am hoping that you the Commission members will share my concern that this many dinners and special events turns V.Sattui Winery into a restaurant and convention center. I hope you will be raising questions about where these meals are being prepared. Where seating is to be located. Whether tables and chairs will be set up and broken down daily in order to accommodate the 461 events or will they be left up permanently. If meals are being prepared for 200 person on site shouldn't they be seeking a restaurant Use Permit? Does their current Deli use permit include dinners and does it include seating for 200 guests? If meals are being prepared off site what are the ramifications of this level of catering in the Ag Preserve and surrounding neighbors?

I applaud the County's attempt to legitimize V. Sattui Winery's long standing abuses of their Use Permit, but I hope you on the Commission will exercise due diligence in insuring that the Ag lands are indeed preserved and quality of life for all residents is considered. By the numbers V. Sattui Winery is asking for approval for 955,500 deli/winery guests per year plus 20,000 dinner guests (not included in the 955, 500)! Adjacent Hall Winery received permission for 182,000 visitors plus 1,500 special event guests. I hope that the commission can reach a more reasonable number.

As we stated in our earlier letter we support the traffic circulation plan being proposed by V. Sattui Winery. I would support the expansion of parking to accommodate buses and limos and perhaps approval of the vineyard parking currently being employed. However the approval of a total of 197 new parking spaces (331 total) again seems excessive and should not include the removal of existing vines.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Kelly Wheaton 1335 Inglewood Ave. St. Helena, CA 94574 707-963-9609

#### Cahill, Christopher

From: Sent: David Ainsworth [dainsworth@comcast.net] Saturday, November 03, 2007 3:47 PM

Cahill, Christopher

To: Subject:

Re: Staff Report - V. Sattui Winery Use Permit Modification

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Chris:

Thank you very much for sending the staff report.

I note that on page 18, opposite the caption "Property Line Setbacks" there is a reference to a lot line adjustment in connection with the illegal nonconforming office trailers and shipping container. I would like the record to reflect that my wife and I, owners of 1039 White Lane and next door neighbors to the Sattui property, are strenuously opposed to any lot line adjustment along the common boundary between the Sattui winery/commercial parcel and the residential/agricultural property at 1049 White Lane. We do not think that a use permit modification proceeding for the Sattui winery is an appropriate proceeding for seemingly giving the Planning Commission's imprimateur of approval for, or even indicating the Commission's indifference to, a lot line adjustment with a wholly different parcel, particularly when it would have the effect of partially rezoning residential/agricultural property to commercial/industrial property. It is enough for this proceeding to simply require that the applicable setbacks violated by the illegal non-conforming uses involving the temporary office trailers and the shipping container be complied with as the staff report has done on pages 6-7 of the report. There is a very great difference, and one in which the County Planning Commission should take a keen interest, between a remedy that requires setback compliance by abatement, a normal and appropriate measure, and one that rewards illegal non-conforming setback violations with a partial rezoning of adjacent residential agricultural property into commercial/industrial property by a lot line adjustment because the winery owner bought the neighboring property.

This is especially true since there has been no notice to or invitation of public comment from the affected residential/agricultural neighbors concerning this lot line adjustment and partial rezoning. For these reasons, we believe that all reference to potential lot line adjustments with the adjacent parcel as a potential cure for the illegal non-conforming setback violations should be omitted from the report and the Commission's proceedings.

We agree fully with the staff report's conclusions in the report (pages 6-7) that the offending temporary office trailers and shipping container are unattractive, incompatible with the winery use and do not merit retention.

Yours very truly,

David Ainsworth Carol Ainsworth 1039 White Lane Saint Helena, CA 94574

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Jim King Planning Commissioner Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559

Dear Jim:

#### RE: V. Sattui Application PO5-0184-MOD

The City of St. Helena has submitted its reaction to this application many months ago and the City concerns have been incorporated in the application you are now reviewing.

Since then, the City and V. Sattui Winery have met and are having discussion on a water agreement that will be mutually acceptable.

Other than that, I just wanted to add my personal support for this application because I feel it will go a very long way in solving the traffic problems associated with the Inglenook intersection on Highway 29.

On another note, I am personally convinced that the requested uses are important to maintain the economic viability of the Winery which is very important to the Upvalley economy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

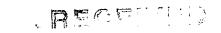
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Mayor of St. Helena

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#### Cahill, Christopher

Rich Auger [rich.auger@toplinesolutions.biz]

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From: Sent:

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Tuesday, November 06, 2007 10:30 AM

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Cc:

Dillon, Diane; Cahill, Christopher; Gitelman, Hillary

Subject: V Sattui Use Permit Mod P05-0184-MOD

#### Dear Commissioners:

We are quite concerned about the above referenced use permit modification request from V. Sattui winery that you will be considering on Wednesday. Since we are unable to attend the meeting, we wanted to convey that concern via this email.

We believe that the new traffic circulation plan makes sense and we support it. We do not support the alarming expansion of the existing marketing plan that greatly increases the number of large special events, especially after hours events.

We support the points already made by Kelly and Mike Wheaton in their recent correspondence to you. The increases requested by V. Sattui Winery further aggravate the problems of congestion, noise, pedestrian safety, and general quality of life issues that already exist in the White Lane/Inglewood Avenue area. And we face these issues without the support of a vigorous County enforcement capability.

Until the County and CalTrans can find a way to work together to address the existing traffic congestion and safety problems in the South Saint Helena corridor, it is unconscionable for the County to approve major winery visitation increases at any winery in the area.

Regarding V. Sattui Winery, we think the Wheatons' analogy to a "convention center" is apt. With a certain sense of futility, we wonder when the County will decide enough is enough.

Sincerely,

Mary Radu and Rich Auger 1398 Inglewood Avenue Saint Helena, CA 94574 707.963.2325

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Mr. Terry Scott Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

RE: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #P05-0184-MOD

Dear Commissioner Scott:

I am writing to support V. Sattui's efforts to reduce traffic congestion at Highway 29 and White Lane by redirecting the winery's exiting traffic 900 feet south to an area of less density and installing approximately 1,300 feet of center lane from Inglewood Lane to Stice Lane. The additional over-flow parking along the vineyard road will also benefit neighbors and visitors.

I have reviewed the other components of the use permit modification and fully support those elements as well, including the additional marketing events.

It is vitally important that we support agriculture in Napa County, and I believe Sattui's use of the vineyard road for exiting traffic and overflow parking is consistent with Napa County land use regulations and zoning.

Warmest Regards,

Anthony Stratakos

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County of Napa Conservation, Development & Planning Department 1195 Third Street Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

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Sincerely/yours,

Craig Hall



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Steven Lederer Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

Re: Opinion Letter Regarding the Red Hen Restaurant & Bar

Dear Steve:

I am writing on behalf of my client, Bob Barbarick, to request a written opinion from the Planning Department ("Department") that the entitlements for the Red Hen Restaurant & Bar (also known as Red Hen Cantina and Amigos Cantina at the Red Hen, but referred to for convenience here as the "Red Hen") are governed by existing use permits and, therefore, vested under Napa County Ordinances.

Meanwhile; since a response to this request may take some time to prepare, I need to take any action necessary to protect against an adverse determination on this issue and the possibility that the County will determine that some of the uses are subject to abandonment as legal nonconforming uses. Therefore, I would like to request an immediate response to a question regarding whether actions already undertaken by my client since the temporary closing of the Red Hen would be adequate to avoid the cessation of a legal non-conforming use under Section 18.132.040 (B) of the Napa County Zoning Ordinance regarding "voluntary abandonment" of a legal nonconforming use. Moreover, if these actions are not sufficient, we would like to request specific written instructions on the types of actions that must be taken to protect against abandonment, should that issue be considered to be applicable.

### THE RED HEN'S USE PERMITS AND MODIFICATIONS

Prior to 1955, when the Napa County Zoning Ordinance went into effect, the Red Hen was legally engaged in commercial activity. When the Zoning Ordinance was adopted, apparently the Red Hen property was zoned agriculture. At that point it was apparently assumed that the Red Hen was a legal non-conforming use.

But, in 1968, the owner of the property received approval to re-zone the Red Hen property to Planned Development ("PD"), in essence a form of commercial zoning. As part of this re-zoning application, the property owner was allowed to construct the Red Hen Antique Shop in conjunction with the commercial activities already occurring

at the Restaurant.

The Red Hen Restaurant was expanded by 300 feet in1975 through an approved use permit (U-607475). One of the findings made regarding this use permit was that the Napa County Zoning Ordinance required off-street parking for 120 vehicles based on a ratio of 2 square feet of parking for each 1 square foot of building. In addition, according to the findings, Planning was well aware of the history of the Red Hen zoning changes, noting the legal non-conformity in 1955, and the subsequent rezoning to PD. Notwithstanding the original zoning, but apparently in reliance on the subsequent re-zoning to PD, this requested expansion of commercial activities was approved.

The Red Hen Restaurant was expanded again in 1984 under the provisions of another use permit (U-308384). In this use permit application, the seating capacity is listed as 295. Of these seats, 210 were inside the building, but an additional 80 seats were allowed on the outside deck which had previously not been approved for any dining or other activities. This use permit was approved and authorized the expansion of the Red Hen operations by allowing outside dining on an existing deck (built under a building in 1983), increasing the hours of operation, constructing an additional restroom, modifying the parking area, and permitting live entertainment. The Planning Commission found that those proposals were in conformance with the Zoning Ordinance requirements. The Planning Commission specifically re-approved the 120 parking spaces as the appropriate parking requirement for all of the commercial uses in the vicinity of the Red Hen. It is our position that this express expansion of the seating capacity of the Red Hen, and the allowance of dining on the expanded deck area, resulted in the entire restaurant being governed by and vested by this use permit, notwithstanding the subsequent adoption of the CL zoning at the site in 1985, which zoning district presently contains a 100 seat limit per restaurant per parcel.

In 1991, the Napa County Zoning Administrator subsequently approved a further expansion of the Red Hen (Modification No.1 to U-30834) by the construction of new 270 sq. ft. restrooms. Although six (6) conditions are listed for this use permit, two (2) are relevant. One of the conditions of approval required that no parking spaces be eliminated as a result of this addition. A second condition required no further increase in the seating capacity of the restaurant.

Although other use permits were subsequently issued for the Red Hen property since 1991, the only other use permit issued pertaining directly to the operations of the Red Hen under the provisions of UP-91182, which established a balloon excursion business in other buildings located on the Red Hen property. This modification (UP-92406-MOD) authorized the relocation of a parking area on the Red Hen property for the balloon excursion business. One of the listed findings from the Zoning

Administrator during its review of this modification is that the Red Hen had an allowed seating capacity of 295 seats, the same seating level approved by the Planning Commission in 1984.

# THE RED HEN IS GOVERNED AND VESTED BY ITS USE PERMITS AND SUBSEQUENT MODIFICATIONS

The Red Hen is governed and vested by its use permits and subsequent modifications because, since its re-zoning to PD, it has been recognized and evaluated by the Department, the Zoning Administrator, and the Planning Commission as a restaurant with a 295 seat capacity. Moreover, these use permits and modifications are vested because they have been used.

The use permits and subsequent modifications have legitimized the current level of commercial operations, and, most importantly, the Red Hen's current seating capacity. The use permits and modifications issued after the property was zoned PD contemplated the expanded commercial activities. These permits included increases in the physical size of the buildings, hours of operation, recognition of the current seating capacity of 295, and increases in parking requirements. Moreover, even after the Red Hen was re-zoned CL, the Zoning Administrator acknowledged the seating capacity despite the fact that the Red Hen exceeded the seating limits placed on restaurants and taverns located on property zoned CL.

In addition, these use permits and modifications are vested because they have been "used" as that term is set forth in Section 18.124.080 of the Napa County Zoning Ordinance

As you know, a use permit will automatically expire unless there is substantial evidence that the use permit has been used. This includes securing a building permit, wastewater or sewage disposal permit, or other construction permit. Or, if no permit is required, it includes a showing that substantial funds have been expended, or liabilities incurred, in preparing the site for construction. All of the construction and permits required for the previously approved expanded commercial operations have been completed. Moreover, during the last year alone approximately \$200,000 was expended on upgrading the condition of the Red Hen as a 295 seat restaurant, including correcting environmental health code violations that were in existence under the prior tenant. Thus, the use permits and modifications relevant to the Red Hen commercial operations have been used.

Therefore, we request a written opinion from Planning that the Red Hen is governed and vested by its use permits and subsequent modifications. We realize this

opinion may take some time to process. As a result, we request a quick response from the Department regarding the adequacy of my client's efforts to avoid the cessation of a legal non-conforming use, should it be determined that one exists.

# ACCEPTABLE MEASURES TO AVOID THE CESSATION OF A LEGAL NON-CONFORMING USE

In an excess of caution my client has taken steps to protect against an argument that its activities constitute a legal non-conforming use that has been abandoned. . Notwithstanding, in order to protect ourselves, we request to know whether these measures are acceptable to Planning.

Section 18,132,040 states, in pertinent part:

"A legal nonconformity or portion thereof shall loose that status and thereafter the land and all structures involved therein shall be used only in conformity with the regulations then in effect for the zoning district where the legal nonconformity is located if . . .:

(B). The legal nonconformity or portion thereof has been voluntarily abandoned. For purposes of this subsection, "voluntary abandonment" shall mean cessation of the use or portion thereof for six consecutive months . . ."

My client closed the Amigos Bar and Grill around October 21, 2003. But, since that time it has maintained all furniture, fixtures, and equipment, including liquor inventory. It has also maintained its ABC liquor license. During the holidays the Red Hen was opened for a party with food and bar service, although there were no cash register transactions. Most importantly, the owner has entertained a number of lease negotiations regarding having this space taken over by another operator with the expectation that the operator could commence operations within a short period of time. We believe my client's activities are sufficient to preclude the abandonment of a legal nonconforming use, aside from the vesting argument discussed above.

The six month period allowed for the cessation of use could end as early as April 21, 2004. Therefore, we would appreciate your immediate response about whether the actions taken to date will be enough to avoid cessation of a legal non-conforming use. If these efforts are not sufficient, could you provide specific criteria which would apply?

Your speedy response to this question is critical as my client is currently in negotiations for the lease of the Red Hen for use as a restaurant. The lease may be signed in the near future.

Again, your prompt response, in particular regarding the sufficiency of the activities to date, would be greatly appreciated. For your convenience, I have attached all previously referenced use permits, modifications, and staff reports. In the meanwhile, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Charles W. Meibeyer

cc: Bob Barbarick

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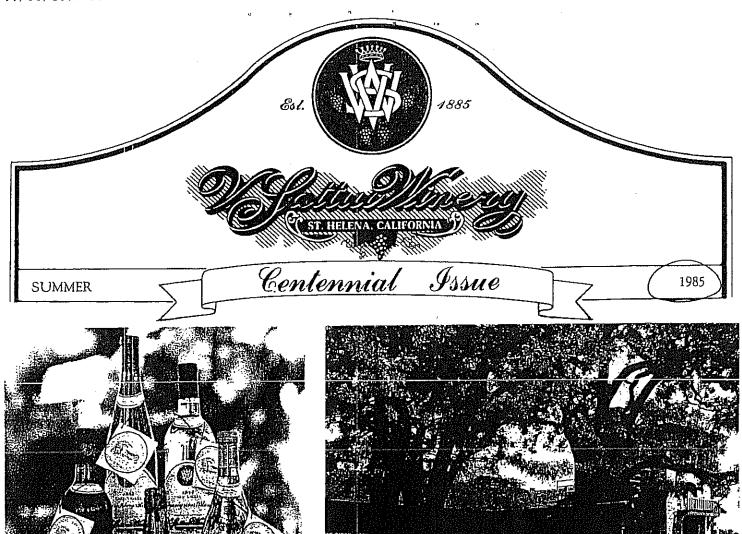


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Throughout 1985 all of our current wines will have special Centennial neck labels and bottle hangers commemorating our 100th birthday. Five of our current offerings are shown here with their special Centennial packaging.

Picnicers are already enjoying our new picnic area in the shade of the giant oaks by the watch tower of the new winery. It will be here, on the outdoor sunken patio and in the wine cellar of our new building that we will host our Centennial dinner extravaganza on Saturday evening, July 20. Your personal invitation is inclosed.

# **Centennial Wines**



### For Sale This Year Only!

In special celebration of our Centennial, we have designated all of our current releases as Centennial Wines. Each bottle is now appointed with a special shoulder label indicating it as a Centennial wine with the signature of Vittorio Sattui, the winery's founder. Also, a small folder

depicting the history of the winery will be hung on each bottle throughout 1985.

These specially labeled Centennial wines will be sold during his year only, making each bottle a collector's wine.

### Commemorative Gold Medal Madeira

In addition to our Centennial designations, we have released for sale a Limited Commemorative Bottling of our Gold

# Centennial Dinner Extravaganza your personal invitation is enclosed!

Don't forget! On Saturday evening, July 20 at 7:15 p.m. we will be hosting our Centennial Dinner celebration at the new winery preceded by a special champagne reception at 6 p.m.

Your personal invitation is enclosed with this newsletter. Hot air balloon rides for the adventuresome (weather permitting), live music and a tour of the new winery will also be part of the festivities!

Don't miss out on the fun! Enjoy the fine food, wines and camaraderie with your fellow oenophiles. Seating is limited, so to ensure a reservation for you and your spouse — and friends, please complete and return the reservation portion of your invitation with your check as soon as possible.

If you will be coming from any distance that will require overnight accommodations, may we suggest that you make room reservations now—or within the next few weeks — since July 11/06/2007 18:13 (FAX) P. 003/007



On your next visit to our tasting room we think you will be pleasantly surprised. As shown here, the tasting room has been expanded to allow us to increase the length of the tasting bars, display our wines better and provide more room for visitors without the crowding we have had on busy weekends.

Continued from page 3...Muscat

\*\*\*BRONZE MEDAL - Intervin 1986

Our most highly-rated MUSCAT to date, don't miss out on this last chance to buy this light, sweet fragrant dessert wine. Only 75 cases remain is stock!

### LAST CHANCE TO BUY AT CURRENT PRICE

### CALIFORNIA MADEIRA

Current Price \$13.75 per Bottle 6 Bottle Maximum Purchase

Price effective April 1, 1987 \$14.75 per Bottle (10% Discount when mixed with other wines)

\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL - 5th International Wine Competition, Czechoslovakia

\*\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL — Orange County Fair

\*\*\*GOLD MEDAL - Los Angeles County Fair, also SPECIAL AWARD "BEST OF CLASS"

Since its release almost 10 years ago, we have extolled every virtue that has been said or judged about our MADEIRA. Most people never leave V. SATTUI without a wee sip of the Madeira, it's that good.

Our Madeira is alor more than just a dessert wine to us, it's a tradition. When one mentions V. SATTUI, usually our Madeira comes to mind too.

This liqueur-like Port will always be given top billing at the winery. We invite you to call ahead and make an appointment to visit our solera in our underground cellar. It is only here where we can really show you the magic that surrounds the caring of this old port wine. We'll even let you sample a little of the old master blend from barrels, which is as close as you can get to heaven-from a barrel, that is!

# About our Mailing List

Te feel we are currently selling some of the finest wines the winery has produced. You enthusiastic response to our Holiday Newsletter proved this. (Mailing list purchases accouted for over 40% of our total holiday sales.)

Because this pubication is so important to us, we are always looking for ways to improve it. If any of you have comments

# New Gifts & Goodies in our Cheese Shop

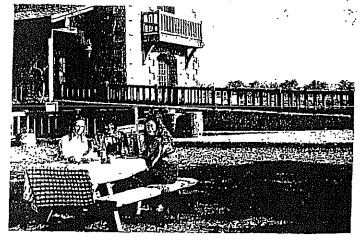
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Shop is also undergoing some additions and renovations. long with the expansion of the tasing room, our cheese New deli cases are soon to be installed including a special pastry

Over the years we have added many domestic and imported cheeses that have created a wonderful variety that will satisfy just about any palate, and now with our new display cases we will be able to better present our complete selection of over 200 cheeses along with all the delicious homemade desserts. salads and condiments prepared by our local confectioners.

On your next visit you will also find some new gift items that are soon to be added including a porcelain bottle stopper with the V. Sattui logo that now being produced in Germany.

And with spring just around the corner, our picnic grounds have been manicured and planted with new spring flowers. What better way to savor wine country than to picnic with friends and enjoy some fine wine and cheese? Remember, if you would like to arrange a private picnic for 25 or more, call the winery and we will be happy to have your selected picnic foods fresh, ready and waiting when your group arrives at the winery.



# The Spring of Life

### Comes Back to the Napa Valley

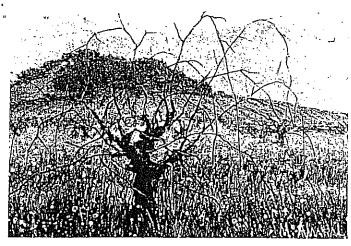
M y dictionary gives 27 different definitions for the word spring. it can mean anything from a "spring" mattress to a flow of water from the ground. My dictionary also says that spring is the time of year when plants begin to grow after lying dormant all winter; hence it is any period of beginning or newness as, the spring of life.

And so, once again, on March 20, the spring of life will officially return to the Napa Valley bringing a newness and fresh rebirth to the vineyards and surrounding hillsides. At this writing the winter rains have been less than usual, but still the Valley floor has turned a bright green and the California poppies and blue lupin wild flowers are just beginning to appear in the fields and along highway 29.

The ubiquitous golden mustard weed, which replentishes nitrogen to the soils, is still knee deep in most of the vineyards but will soon be disked under within the next few weeks. Although most of the pruning has been completed, crews can still be seen here and there moving quietly down the long rows of vines. If you are a photography buff, now is a wonderful time to photograph in this valley with the lush green and yellow ground cover contrasting with the dark, bare vines.

I have always wondered why more people don't come to the Valley in March and April. To me, it is the most beautiful season to visit. The pace is slower, the roads are less crowded, the winter rains are over and the weather is mild, sunny and clear. Over the winter months restaurants and inns have spruced up and welcome your return.

Here at V. Sattui Winery we are completing a few changes



This black and white version of early spring in the Napa Valley was painted by Valley artist, Mel Amaral. The scene is a familiar one with a knarled vine surrounded by mustard weed and green grass.

that should make your visits more pleasant and enjoyable. In our old winery building we have moved some walls and expanded the tasting room and made some additions to the cheese shop. We are also continuing to complete some finishing touches and landscaping around the new winery, which was recently cited by the St. Helena Chamber of Commerce as an outstanding addition to the town of St. Helena.

As always, we look forward to seeing you here at the winery and hope your visits will continue to be informative, fun and most importantly, provide an opportunity for you to sample some of the world's finest wines.

### '82 Reserve Cab...Continued from page 1

top American wine!

In 1981, we decided not to make a reserve. We felt the vintage did not quite measure up to our reserve stock standards. Ironically, in 1985 the San Francisco National Wine Competition awarded the 1981 Preston Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon the covered Sweepstakes Trophy, rating it above 2,000 entries as the BEST WINE IN AMERICA! (Even a winemaker can be fooled.)

In 1982, we knew we had the makings for a reserve vintage. Even before fermentation was complete, the framework was there for an outstanding wine. (Our assessment of this vintage was most recently re-confirmed by the tasting panel of the Wine Spectator. In a tasting that compared 1978 through 1982 California Cabernets, they rated 1982 the best!)

Five years later, we are very proud to release the 1982 Preston Vineyard RESERVE STOCK Cabernet Sauvignon. A GOLD MEDAL WINNER in its first competition (American Wine Championships, New York), this wine is already exhibiting the virtues of classic Cabernet Sauvignon and collector's wine. Destined to be one of our greatest, don't miss this special release price of \$25.00 per bottle. Only 400 cases produced.

### You Are Invited ... Continued from page I

On Saturday evening, April 25, we will celebrate a third happening of the '87 season with a Wine and Food Extravaganza also to take place in the cellar of the new winery.

This event will pair a selection of V. Sattui wines with epicurean gourmet foods prepared by The Bay Area's renouned chef, Andre Mercier. Working together with Andre, we have planned 7 different "stations" where a selected wine, or wines, will be rasted while sampling an appropriately matched gourmet dish. Station 2, for instance, will match our Chardonnay with Bay Scallops in Ginger and Lime and Gravlox of King Salmon! See your invitation for the other match-ups!

This evening of pairing delectable cuisine with fine wines should prove both educational and most certainly, enjoyable to the palate!

Both of these two special events will provide an opportunity to discuss our wines with myself and my staff, and make purchases of futures, new and current releases at special discount prices. As in past events, our accommodations are limited, so please complete and return your reservations as soon as possible in order not to be disappointed. With one month accounts

Other Special Events for 1987 Season

Other events scheduled for the balance of this season are: June 20 — 1st Annual Wine and Dance Party

August 15, 22, & September 19 — Second Annual Harvest Dinner Series

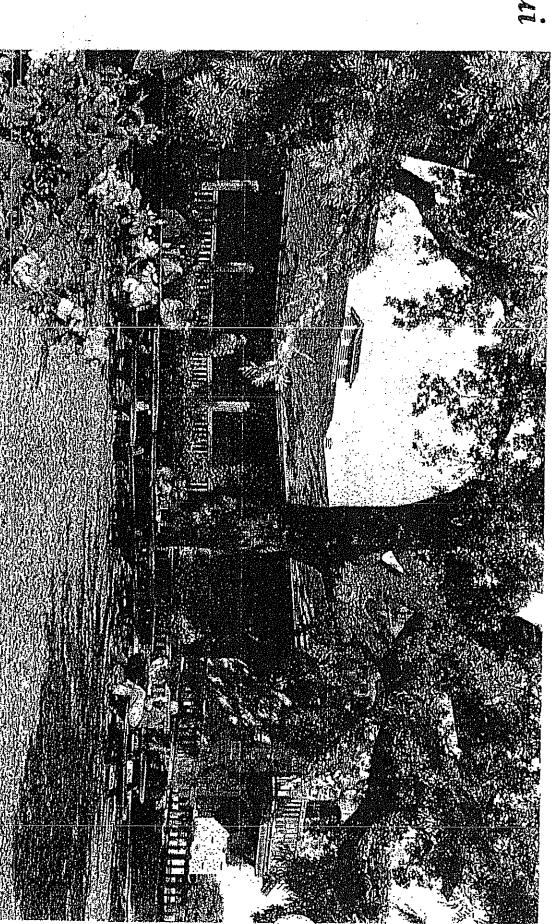
October 10 — A Special Vintage Tasting

Our Summer Newsletter will carry more details on these remaining '87 V. Sattui Happenings!



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Tom Davies, our Vice President, pours a still aging zinfandel from the barrel



always a special way to enjoy the Napa Valley. No matter what route you take, a summertime picnic under the oaks at V. Sattui is

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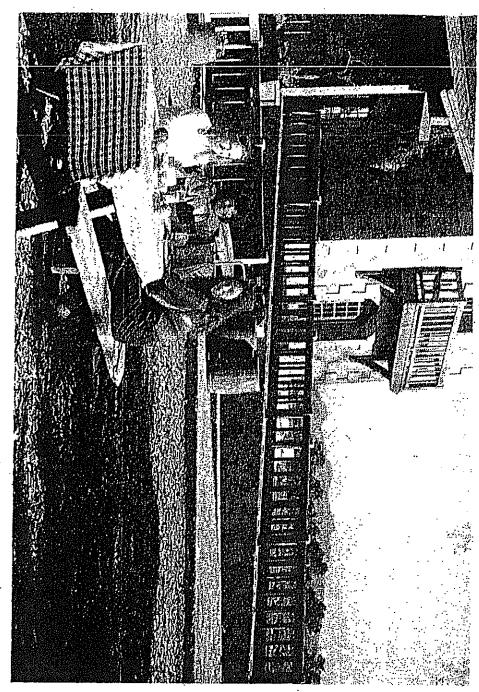
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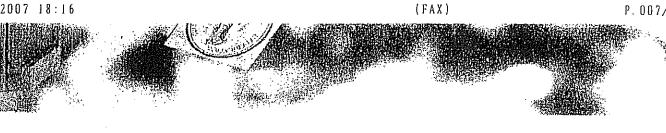
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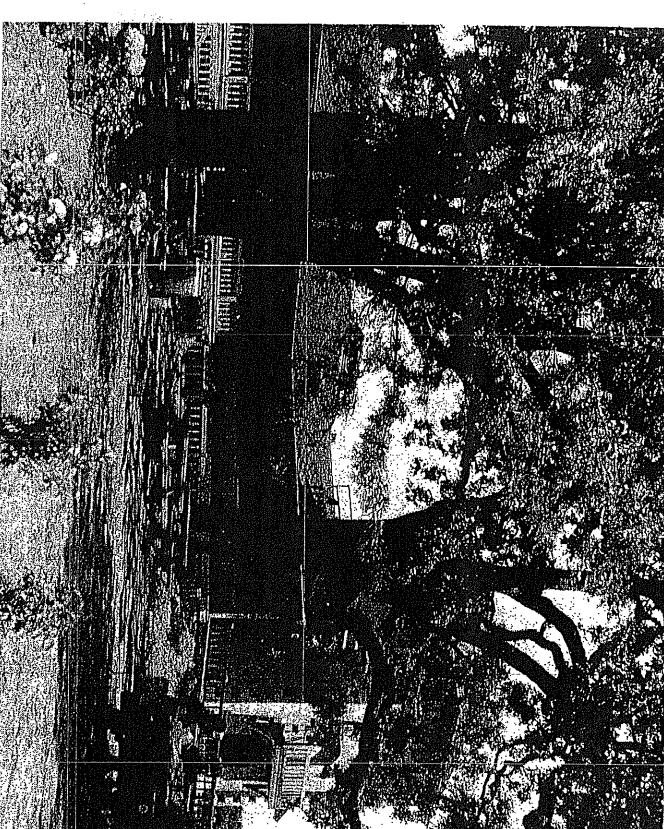


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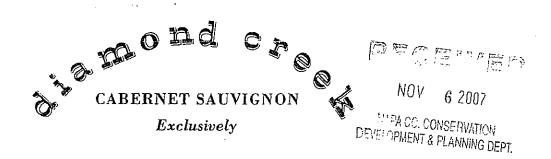
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by the watch tower of the new winery. It will be here, on the outdoor sunken patio Picnicers are already enjoying our new picnic area in the shade of the giant oaks



October 31, 2007

Napa County Conservation Development and Planning 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Jim King Planning Commissioner

Darryl Sattui has brought to my attention his proposed Use Permit Modification which will be presented to you on November 7. I would like to express my support for his proposal for the following reasons. The traffic circulation plan will improve the traffic flow in the southern part of St. Helena which will be very beneficial to not only the residents but also to our visitors. The expanded parking proposed for V. Sattui's vineyard is also needed to serve his wine customers. As a winery owner, I understand how difficult it can be to market wine and Sattui's model of selling directly to consumers needs to be encouraged.

Finally, I am of the understanding that the Napa County Planning staff has recommended his proposal for approval and I commend them for their support.

Yours sincerely,

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Board of Supervisors County of Napa 1195 Third Street Napa, Calif. 94559 October 26, 2005

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Dear Board of Supervisors:

NAPA CO. CONSENVA FUN DEVILLO PELLO LA MARIARE DEPT

We are neighbor's of V. Sattui Winery, residing at 1248 Inglewood Avenue, in St. Helena.

Regarding: Permit Application #267-485 up —submitted by V. Sattui Winery:

We think that this would help eliminate the congestion at White Lane – Hwy 29 – Inglewood Avenue. We know that this will not solve all the traffic night mare's we are facing here on Inglewood Ave. but anything is worth a Try to help solve these problems.

We are in favor of giving this proposal a try.

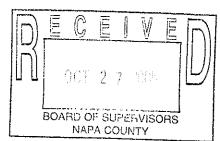
Also would like to mention – improvement has been made By V. Sattui Winery with the Tour Buses, Mobil homes and Limo's parking on Inglewood Avenue.

Harrison Brownell

Anita Brownell

1248 Inglewood Avenue

St. Helena, Calif.



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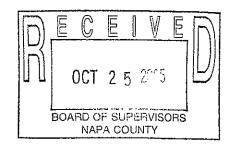
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<u>VIA FED EX</u> AND FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION (707) 253-4176

Ms. Diane Dillon, Chairperson and Members Board of Supervisors County of Napa 1195 Third Street, Room 310 Napa, CA 94559



CC. BOS NWatt Nyteinan COTBD

Re: Proposed Ordinance No. 1267 Amending Section 18.08.370 of the Napa County Code Relating to Education, Development and Marketing of Wine

Dear Chairperson Dillon and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

This firm represents a number of owners of property near the V. Sattui Winery ("Sattui") in Napa Valley. Our clients oppose the draft Ordinance No. 1267 as submitted to you and recommend that you reject it.

Although the subject of permitting and/or regulating weddings at wineries have been a topic of broad concern throughout Napa Valley, this Ordinance appears to be a thinly veiled attempt by Sattui to legitimize long-standing impermissible and offensive behavior. As you may know, shortly after the issuance of the first Use Permit for Sattui in 1975, neighbors began to complain about traffic, noise and other nuisance activity. In 1983 the County of Napa, which had become a co-defendant with Sattui in a lawsuit concerning impacts, entered into a Stipulation in an attempt to resolve these issues with a number of Sattui's neighbors. We believe that violations of that Stipulation are ongoing, as well as many other impermissible activities. This Ordinance may well create for Sattui the impression that it can continue to avoid any liability for its actions, but may again subject Napa County to legal action. (County Counsel can confirm that the Napa Superior Court retains jurisdiction to enforce the Stipulation, including its attorney's fee clause.)

The objectives of the County in implementing ordinances such as this must necessarily be broad. We are confident that you seek to enact and enforce ordinances that are fair and uniform for similarly situated citizens. However, we believe that this Ordinance has been strongly supported by, if not sponsored by, Sattui in its long-standing attempt to legitimize its own



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specific activities. Though others may benefit as well, those other beneficiaries do not seem to be as active or as evident.

It has been suggested that this Ordinance is intended to clarify existing policies. However, the press and even Sattui's attorney, in his recent presentation before the Zoning Administrator, concede that this is really intended to legitimize weddings being held at wineries in AW and AP zones, such as Sattui. Sattui is one of the foremost practitioners of this activity. As you know, weddings and similar activities have historically been restricted or prohibited. The Ordinance language concerning pre-WDO wineries, which we believe was recently amended at the suggestion of Sattui, will simply continue the ambiguity under which the current misbehavior might continue. It memorializes vagueness and uncertainty as to what was or will be permitted for these wineries.

Stretching over twenty years, Sattui seems to have followed a five-pronged strategy in attempting to legitimize its activities: 1) Since 1975, it has continuously increased through amendments to its Use Permit, the volumes of processing, visitors and traffic to its site. Significantly, however, it has never been granted permission to conduct weddings at the winery. and until last year, apparently never disclosed their existence to the County, much less asked for approval. Sattui has always had the opportunity to obtain a finding on the permissibility of weddings, but has always chosen not to. 2) Sattui recently applied for a Certificate of Legal Nonconformity. As you may know, your Zoning Administrator recently denied this application. The basis for denial was a finding that legal nonconformity implied that the activity was legal at some point in the past. The Zoning Administrator found that weddings at Sattui, among other activities, were never permissible. Furthermore, the Zoning Administrator noted that a finding of the absence of nuisance would also be necessary and that the files are replete with allegations of nuisance. (However, because the primary test was not met, a finding on nuisance was not made. We believe there is evidence of sufficient nuisance for a denial on that basis alone.) Sattui is appealing this finding. 3) Sattui often attempts to negotiate strongly with any neighbor whose complaints reach the level of litigation (such as the Stipulation) or appears to be getting the attention of Napa County. There are many tales of offers, inducements, withdrawals and unending discussions. 4) A newer prong of the strategy is what you see before you, a proposed ordinance. Although it cannot be read to directly permit weddings at Sattui, it could be used as a cover to prevent prosecution for previous violations. It purports to "grandfather" past activities. 5) A final prong of the strategy, unfortunately, appears to be the most commonly pursued: Sattui simply violates its use permit. That is, when all else fails, Sattui has, according to records in your staff's files, repeatedly violated the rules of Napa County, failed to pay and seek application fees for appropriate permits, created nuisances and relied on the fact that the County would not enforce its own ordinances or use permits. Obviously any ambiguity and vagueness in a use permit or ordinance lends strength to this strategy.

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Your staff's files reveal that the complaints about Sattui have been wide-ranging and long-standing. They include, among other things, objections to impermissible activities such as weddings (Sattui advertised itself as potentially accommodating up to 600 people for events), the impact of excessive visitors to the site in violation of Sattui's use permit, excess parking and parking in vineyards, traffic congestion, the inability of the current waste water system to handle the activities, the noise created by large events, the late hours of operation. These were in violation of and contrary to the representations used in the application for use permits, as well as being nuisances to the neighborhood.

If Sattui were subject to the first part of the new Ordinance, there might be some hope of reasonable controls (though actual adherence to them is another issue). However, it is our belief that Sattui will want to rely on the recently added language addressing pre-WDO wineries. Sattui will claim, as it did in applying for the Certificate of Legal Non-Conformity, that it has always conducted weddings, and therefore, it is entitled to unfettered and unrestricted rights in the future. Also, please note that Sattui may have already conformed to the literal language of the Ordinance in that it has submitted "an application" for a Certificate, although it has been denied.

In summary, our objections to this draft Ordinance are as follows:

- 1. The historic and delicate balance between agriculture and more intense commercial activity that Napa County struck for wineries in AW and AP zones, should be maintained. The proposed Ordinance is not a clarification, but rather an expansion of permissible activities. Weddings and similar festivals have particularly negative impacts with crowds, rowdiness, traffic, late hours, noise, etc. In our view, it would strain logic to describe these as the continuation of primarily wine marketing activities.
- 2. You should not create an ambiguity about inconsistent standards for pre-WDO wineries. This would be a newly expanded right. Your staff has always taken the position that, whether it is pre-WDO or later, weddings were allowed only within specific use permit conditions or not at all. We do not believe that you should allow pre-WDO exceptions for activities that were not permitted. If this is a new policy, as we believe it is, it should be applied consistently with reasonable conditions to all. It should not create unfair advantages. The only way to address potential nuisances from these activities is to allow for reasonable conditions to be imposed and enforced.
- 3. This Ordinance lacks effective and specific enforcement mechanisms. The 1983 Stipulation has shown the difficulty of trying to enforce even a court-sanctioned obligation to curb activities. The twenty-plus years of complaints by neighbors and your staff also demonstrate how difficult it is to control these activities, even if there is a violation of a use



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permit or they constitute nuisances. The County recently implemented techniques such as the posting of a bond to strengthen enforcement. You should consider adding similar requirements for any violations of newly permitted use conditions.

4. The vague language concerning pre-WDO wineries needs to be revised. The Zoning Administrator has found that Sattui's activities were not legal. Sattui has argued they are legal. This creates ambiguity and conflict, which you had the opportunity to clarify.

You should not legitimize twenty-plus years of offensive behavior. You should not change policy in the guise of clarification. You should not give carte blanche to wineries such as Sattui. You should regulate those activities at wineries that so significantly impact their neighbors. You should maintain consistency for all similarly situated wineries and impose reasonable and normal conditions that would apply to their activities.

We urge you to reject this proposed Ordinance and direct your staff to work to enforce the existing rules.

Very truly yours,

John G. Mackie

cc: client

### McCollister, Heather

From:

Gitelman, Hillary

Sent:

Thursday, October 20, 2005 5:07 PM

To:

McCollister, Heather

Subject: FW: Concerns

For your Sattui file. HG

From: Gitelman, Hillary

Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2005 5:06 PM

To: 'Kelly Wheaton'; Dillon, Diane

Subject: RE: Concerns

### Kelly:

It was nice to meet you in person yesterday, and I appreciate the follow-up e-mail. My staff and I are making every effort to be fair and open about ongoing issues with the V. Sattui Winery. It is my hope that the wedding issue will be resolved when the Board considers Mr. Sattui's appeal of the Zoning Adminstrator's determination, and that other issues (parking, circulation, # of marketing events) will be addressed with the pending use permit modification. As we agreed yesterday, this is a complex situation with lots of history (good and bad), and there are other sources of traffic/parking in the vicinity that further complicate matters.

Please keep in touch, and we'll try to make speedy progress. Your questions regarding potential conflicts of interest should be directed to either Robert Westmeyer (County Counsel) or the individuals involved.

Thanks again,

Hillary

From: Kelly Wheaton [mailto:a4est42@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2005 11:05 AM

To: Gitelman, Hillary: Dillon, Diane

Subject: Concerns

Dear Hilary & Diane,

First, I would like to thank both of you for your work in making regulations and Use Permits enforceable.

Second, I would like to thank Hilary for taking the initiative to introduce herself during a break at yesterday's Planning Commission meeting and her willingness to listen and answer questions. Also, thank you Diane for speaking with me during the Harvest Festival.

Third, I wish to bring to your attention something that I and others found highly disturbing at yesterday's meeting. During the discussion of the proposed changes to the WDO's definition of marketing events Patrick Lynch was seated and engaged in conversation with Chuck Meibeyer who represents V. Sattui Winery. At the least I think this shows poor judgment and at its worst might confirm an unseemly relationship between one of your staff and V. Sattui Winery.

If this was an isolated incident I would think nothing of it.

1) However, it was Patrick Lynch who spoke freely of the "gentleman's agreement" with V. Sattui Winery that allowed them to continue with weddings that were on the books and to use a road and parking to access a commercial property in violation of the Ag Preserve zoning and in violation of V. Sattui Winery's Use Permit.

2) It is also Patrick Lynch who defended V.Sattui Winery in a St. Helena Star article claiming that Sattui was not "in violation" but in "non-compliance".

Lynch also said that neighbors were misinformed when they referred to Sattui as being "in violation" of its use permit. He stressed that while the winery is currently under investigation for alleged "non-conformance," it has yet to be found in "non-compliance." The distinction is critical because the latter case would necessitate immediate enforcement, up to criminal prosecution if required.

V. Sattui Winery has generated complaints from the public since the late 1980s, said county planner Heather McCallister. And the county has dealt with it off and on for years. However, the winery has been under increased scrutiny since owner Daryl Sattui requested an extended use permit asking for more parking, the legalization of weddings, and a water agreement with the City of St. Helena.

For the past three years, county building inspectors have been on the scene, monitoring everything from traffic on White Lane to pedestrians crossing Highway 29. They have focused their efforts on three core issues: weddings, traffic and parking. St. Helena Star 6-3-05

It seems to me that the County has a major problem if they simply identify a violator as being "potentially" in "non-compliance." And in the case of V. Sattui Winery this has continued for many years.

- 3) In my correspondence with Steve Lederer (my questions in black, Steve's responses in red.)
- 1) According to Pat Krueger the Winery Event Ordinance is still being

drafted. Is that correct?

It is in draft, and will be until the Board adopts it. The most current version is attached. The Planning Commission will review it on 10/19, and the Board on 10/25 (if the PC completes their review).

- 2) Could you send me updates as they are made available?
- I'll try, but its best if you attend the hearings or send me an e-mail. My short term memory is not good.
- 3) Is Sattui Winery or their agents involved in lobbying for various

changes?

I have no idea.

I take Steve at his word as he has been forthcoming and professional in his dealings in these matters. However, what concerns me is that changes in the drafts of the Marketing Ordinance were clearly designed to allow a major loophole through which V. Sattui Winery can grandfather in their illegal activities. This suggests an extraordinary level of access that V. Sattui Winery has enjoyed. It is my goal to press you and other public officials to make the dealings of the Planning Department transparent and publicly accessible. And to remind all our officials that they have a very clear responsibility to protect the general public and not just those of the politically well placed and powerful. In matters such as these that are highly contentious, the public deserves a seat at the table when private negotiations are taking place between the County and aggressive violators like V. Sattui Winery. Heather's assurances that they are looking at Wine glass records provided by V. Sattui Winery to determine the visitor levels may be well intentioned but certainly provides insight in to what has gone wrong. As I mentioned in my earlier email to Diane and Steve Lederer a much more viable option would be to look at septic carrying capacity and available parking (Use Permit records, aerial photographs?) to determine actual visitor numbers permissible rather

than claims by V. Sattui Winery.

And finally I noted at yesterday's meeting that David Graves recused himself because he is employed in the Wine Industry. Would Harold Moskowite then need to recuse himself from Tuesday's Hearing of the Board of Sups. because he owns a winery? Would Mark Luce need to recuse himself in the V. Sattui Winery appeal because of his close ties with Daryl Sattui? Where should these questions be directed? Please feel free to forward these concerns to the appropriate parties.

And thank you again for your hard work in service to the citizens of Napa County. Sincerely, Kelly Wheaton 963-9609

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### McCollister, Heather

From: Lederer, Steven

Sent: Monday, October 17, 2005 8:21 AM

To: McCollister, Heather; Briseno, Rosa

Subject: FW: Expansion of Napa Valley wineries' use permits to allow weddings

Heather--For the Satuii File.

Rosa—For the marketing ordinance hearing on Wednesday.

**From:** grassrootssales@comcast.net [mailto:grassrootssales@comcast.net]

Sent: Sunday, October 16, 2005 5:08 PM

To: Wagenknecht, Brad; Luce, Mark; Dillon, Diane; Dodd, Bill; Moskowite, Harold

Cc: Lederer, Steven; Trippi, Sean

Subject: Expansion of Napa Valley wineries' use permits to allow weddings

Dear Sirs and Madams,

As you consider allowing wineries in the Valley to host weddings, and specifically V. Sattui, I would appreciate your consideration of the following:

- 1) The Ag. Preserve is a unique and somewhat fragile arrangement. To alter any part of it is to weaken the whole and open it up for continued erosion.
- 2) The businesses in the South St. Helena community-Dean and Deluca, Inglewood Village, Mobil Gas, Press, 29 Joe's, V. Sattui- impact all of us from truckers and commuters to neighbors and tourists at all times of every day. The current number of parking spaces alloted is somewhere around 400. With V. Sattui asking for another 150 and the Hall Winery opening in the future plus the 117 spaces given to Inglewood Village, the net increase could be double what it is now. And now is not good.

The County needs to have a plan for the big picture before it hands out any expansion on an individual basis.

- 3) In terms of V. Sattui, if the county allows it to double its' use permit and host weddings, how does it plan to increase its' water and septic? Again, the Ag. Preserve will be further diluted by cutting back vinyards to allow for leach fields and additional parking.
- 4) I understand there is an gentleman's agreement between V. Sattui and Patrick Lynch to double his use permit on parking until such a time as the issue is resolved. This was agreed to 2 1/2 years ago without any consideration for the impact it would have on the neighbors or the people who have to drive by on a daily basis. Is the county in the position to allow this to continue? What about an E I R? What about us?
- 5) V. Sattui has a Napa County Court order against it that specifically addresses the abuses it has inflicted on the neighbors over the years by not adhering to its' use permit which does not allow for weddings. Traffic, cars on White Lane, foot traffic, hours of operation, over use of the picnic area etc. which V. Sattui knowingly flaunts on a daily basis. So, now you are considering going against the Court order. Again, what about us?

When is it equitable that one entity be given special circumstances to make a profit overriding the Napa County Court and disregarding the quiet enjoyment of its' neighbors and the safe, well-being of the general population of our county?

Thank you for your consideration. I hope to be able to meet you at your October 19 meeting.

Jeff Jeanes

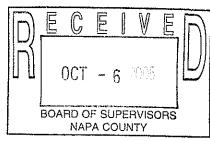
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We are residents of St. Helena who have access to Highway 29 on White Lane, at the point at which traffic turns to enter and leave the V. Sattui Winery.

The traffic at the corner of White Lane and Highway 29 is frequently highly congested as a result of turns in and out of several businesses on Highway 29. We have been advised that you are considering granting egress from V. Sattui through the existing egress road through the vineyard, and strongly support your approval of this use. It should reduce traffic and improve safety at the White Lane corner and along the entire 29 corridors in both directions.

We further suggest that the rear access to White Lane that is currently used as the primary exit, be closed to all but emergency traffic so that two exits do not exist.

We have also reviewed the plan for overflow parking and support it so long as the new exit is approved, and the current exit shut.

Sattui is a good neighbor and we appreciate their efforts to improve traffic flow and eliminate dangerous egress for the benefit of all. We sincerely hope you will support and approve these efforts.

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August 15, 2005

Heather McCollister, Principal Planner
Napa County Department of Conservation, Development & Planning
1195 Third Street, room 210
Napa, CA 94559

Mr Steve Lederer, Deputy Director

Re: V. Sattui Winery Use Permit Modification, 1111 White Lane, St. Helena, CA 94574

Gentlemen:

I am writing in support of the County granting the Use Permit Modification.

The project involves improving traffic flow by having the entrance to winery on White Lane (one way), entrance only. The exiting will be via a perimeter road around the winery that will gain access to Hwy 29 to the south of the winery. Also improved parking is to be provided.

I understand that there has been discussion of the zoning of the property to be used for the access road & additional parking. Wineries are permitted on AP zoning with a conditional use permit. Note that the main use of the site is a winery with direct wine sales. The deli is a draw but its sales are incidental to the winery sales.

In their other Napa Valley projects the Sattui's have a track record of high quality of building.

Please grant the Use Permit Modification. Thanks.

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NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPT. September 1, 2005

Supervisors Office 1195 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Napa, 94559, Ca.

Dear Board Member,

As White Lane neighbors of V. Sattui Winery, we have been closely following the events of the past couple of years with the traffic, parking and congestion on Highway 29 through the corridor from Stice Lane to Sulfur Springs Road.

It has always made sense to us, that cars entering V. Sattui should exit through the existing egress road in the vineyard. That is a vast improvement both from a safety point of view and a traffic congestion point of view for everyone concerned in this overly populated area. We would encourage the County to approve the proposed circulation plan that V. Sattui has presented.

We have been homeowners on White Lane since 1998, and have found V. Sattui to be extremely sensitive neighbors to those of us living there. We have never been disturbed or inconvenienced by their events, parking patterns, or activities on their grounds. We understand that V. Sattui has applied for a modified Use Permit for its overflow parking, and we have seen the drawings of these proposals. We have no objections to any of these proposed plans, nor have we ever had any objections to the after hours events (ie, weddings, rehersal dinners, non profit fund raisers, etc) that have been held there in the past.

We feel, it is in the best interest of all the neighbors, businesses along that Route 29 section, and the continuing operation of V. Sattui that the County legalize their proposed overflow parking and traffic circulation plan to the benefit of everyone along with their continued marketing events, and we urge the County to do so.

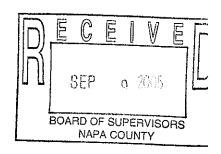
With many thanks for your kind attention to this matter,

Peter and Bonnie Lind
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# Cakebread Cellars





CC:

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September 7, 2005

Diane Dillon County Supervisor, District 3 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Ms. Dillon,

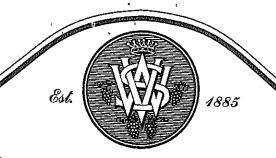
I am writing in support of Daryl Sattui's proposal to decongest traffic at White Lane and Hwy 29. His suggestion to reroute traffic to an alternative egress point and his willingness to install a center turning lane would significantly alleviate the traffic issues along that stretch of the highway and result in increased community safety for all.

I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of his application as proposed.

Sincerely,

Jagk Cakebread Lhief Executive

cc: Daryl Sattui



September 24, 2005

Dear Diane,

If we are as bad as some Inglewood Ave. neighbors and two White Lane neighbors the Jeanes and Sitters would have you believe, how can it be explained that the four neighbors closest to us (including the one we own) have no problem with us, and in fact have written favorable letters in support of us? Could it possibly be that they really have another agenda than the one they are promulgating? It is obvious to anyone that the neighbors who would be most adversely impacted by us would be those closest to the winery.

Enclosed please find letters from all the closest neighbors, all of whom support

Sincerely,

us.

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1111 White Lane, St. Helena, Napa Valley, California 94574 2 miles south on St. Helena highway (707) 963-7774 Fax (707) 963-4324 www.vsattui.com

Dear Board of Supervisors,

September 1, 2005

As White Lane neighbors of V. Sattui Winery, we have been closely following the events of the past couple of years with the traffic, parking and congestion on Highway 29 through the corridor from Stice Lane to Sulfur Springs Road.

It has always made sense to us, that cars entering V. Sattui should exit through the existing egress road in the vineyard. That is a vast improvement both from a safety point of view and a traffic congestion point of view for everyone concerned in this overly populated area. We would encourage the County to approve the proposed circulation plan that V. Sattui has presented.

We have been homeowners on White Lane since 1998, and have found V. Sattui to be authorally capatitud peighbour to those of inconvenienced by their events, parking patterns, or activities on their grounds. We understand that V. Sattui has applied for a modified Use Permit for its overflow parking, and we have seen the drawings of these proposals. We have no objections to any of these proposed plans, nor have we ever had any objections to the after hours events (ie, weddings, rehersal dinners, non profit fund raisers, etc) that have been held there in the past.

We feel, it is in the best interest of all the neighbors, businesses along that Route 29 section, and the continuing operation of V. Sattui that the County legalize their proposed overflow parking and traffic circulation plan to the benefit of everyone along with their continued marketing events, and we urge the County to do so.

With many thanks for your kind attention to this matter,

Peter and Bonnie Lind 1031 White Lane St. Helena, 94574, Ca.

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### David and Carol Ainsworth 1039 White Lane Saint Helena, CA 94574 Tel: 707.968.9971

Fax: 707.968.9981

September 17, 2005

Board of Supervisors County of Napa 1195 Third Street Napa, CA 94559

Re: Use Permit Modification Application # 267 475 UP V. Satui Winery

### Dear Board of Supervisors:

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Tom C. Davies, President V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

Dear Mr. Davies,

My wife and I have resided on White Lane since early 1999. We are the fourth house located east of V. Sattui Winery. We have been requested to write this letter on their behalf, as we have been very happy with the winery as our close neighbor. They have always treated us respectfully and hospitably. The winery and their employees have gone the extra mile to be certain that they have as little negative impact as possible on White Lane. It is not a perfect world, but in my opinion V. Sattui Winery has responded excellently to the desires of the people on White Lane. At times there is a problem on exiting White Lane because of the traffic that is ever increasing on Hwy 29. This is also the same exit of other businesses on the west side of Hwy 29. However, this is really a minor point.

Daryl Sattui and Tom Davies did meet with my wife and me, and discussed the new plan to control traffic by having winery-goers exit only on the private road a couple hundred yards south of the Sattui Winery. If Hwy 29 is increased to a three-lane at this location, I feel that would go a very long way in improving the traffic control pattern on White Lane and Hwy 29, and also for the people exiting the businesses on the west of Hwy 29.

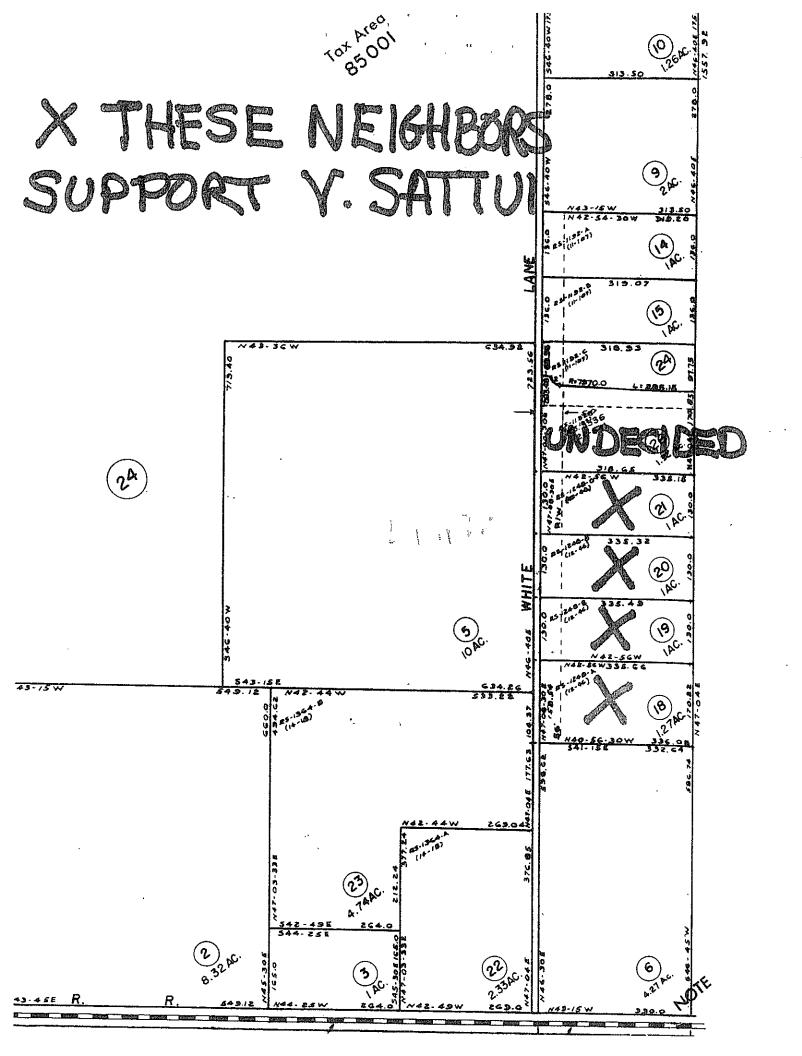
As far as special functions such as weddings are concerned, noise has really never been a factor for us. At times, we are able to enjoy music in the distance but rarely are the sounds of any crowd or voices audible. I feel that we live in an ideal location, and are able to hear the whistle from the wine train and the occasional music from V. Sattui Winery. We feel that this location is as serene and pleasant as any place that we have had the pleasure to live. I feel the winery has been most responsible in handling all of their functions. There has really never been a negative impact for us. I feel that the entire community is indebted to the wine industry for the prosperity that many are enjoying, and I do feel that the V. Sattui Winery is one of the leaders in enhancing the image of the Napa Valley to the rest of the world.

Sincerely,

James E. Lies, M.D.

Carol Anne Lies

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Board of Supervisors Napa County 1125 3rd Ave. Napa, CA, 94558

September 12, 2005

Re: V. Suttui Winery

Dear Supervisors: Brad Wagenknecht, Mark Luce, Diane Dillon, Bill Dodd, Harold Moskowite,

This letter is written in support of the application of V. Suttui Winery to streamline its traffic circulation plan for traffic to and from its facility, off and onto Highway 29; to obtain recognition of its historical marketing plan and minor revision thereof; to obtain minor modifications of Sattui's use permit in order to provide for the requested approvals.

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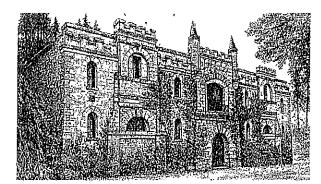
I have read the complete text of Suttui's application and wish to add the name of Swanson Vineyards to the list of other wineries in support of Suttui's petition.

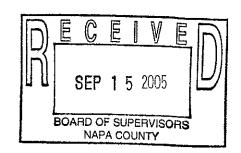
Due to the economic challenge presented by the globalization of the domestic and international wine markets and the growing concentration of ownership within the industry, it is vital that small wineries be able to promote and sell wine directly to consumers. Without the ability to sell directly, small wineries, such as Suttui and Swanson will be fatally handicapped. Napa will simply become one vast corporate production facility for international companies with little interest or concern for this unique and beautiful valley.

It's to the Counties interest and the interest of it's citizens to maintain an economic environment in which small wineries can promote and develop direct sales to consumers. That can only be done by putting the county's support behind policies that preserve and expand wineries right to sell directly to the public. Toward that end, I ask for the Planning Commissioner and Board of Supervisor's approval of the Sattui Winery petition.

W. Clarke Swanson Swanson Vineyards

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CHATEAU MONTELENA WINERY

CC: BOS N. Watto N. Ditelma H. Mc Collie S. Leolera

September 13, 2005

To: The Napa County Board of Supervisors

Re: V. Sattui Winery Use Permit Application #267475UP

From: James L. Barrett

Chateau Montelena Winery

Chateau Montelena strongly endorses the V. Sattui Use Permit Application.

For over 34 years I have driven up and down Highway 29 and seen traffic conditions become worse and worse. This congestion of cars, trucks, semis, motorcycles & bicycles is something we are all well aware of. Six out of seven days a week I drive past Dean & DeLuca, also I have entered (and exited) from there onto the highway so I have had many frustrating/harrowing experiences doing so. My experience is not unique; it happens to locals and tourists alike every day as they visit these businesses or the V. Sattui Winery across the way.

The problem is that the entrance/exit to the highway that services Dean & DeLuca, Press Restaurant, Flora Springs Winery and The Roastery Coffee Shop is directly across from the Whitehall Lane/V. Sattui Winery Road. There is high volume traffic entering and exiting Highway 29 from both sides – directly opposed. Clearly, this is an uncontrolled (no stop lights or stop signs) four-way intersection with high-density traffic. It is a potentially dangerous situation.

Hundreds have worked to pass and improve the Green Belt Ordinance in the 70's, 80's and 90's so as to protect our Valley from having it become another Silicon Valley/San Jose Megopolis. I've been one of those people working to protect our Valley and our vineyards so any intrusion of business other than farming in our Greenbelt is suspect.

There are times, however, when it makes sense to allow vineyard land to be used for parking to make sure that a winery provides adequate parking for its visitors.

Two examples come to mind (there are, as you know, others):

- 1. The Rudd Winery and Vineyard was permitted to move its Silverado Trail entrance to Oakville Cross Road and convert its vineyard land for parking.
- 2. The Duckhorn Vineyards was allowed to convert vineyard land to parking to insure adequate parking for its visitors.

It seems to me that this Use Permit Application works to the benefit of all the involved parties:

- 1. The <u>homeowners</u> will no longer have to share the use of Whitehall Lane with V. Sattui customers who will only be allowed to exit to Highway 29 Down Valley 900 feet. As a result, the homeowners will have the <u>exclusive use of exit</u> from Whitehall Lane resulting in less congestion or waiting to enter Highway 29.
- 2. The <u>Dean & DeLuca</u>, <u>Press Restaurant</u>, <u>Flora Springs Winery Sales Room</u> and <u>The Roastery</u> businesses; by relieving traffic congestion at their one entrance/exit and reducing the probability of a serious traffic accident.
- 3. The <u>General Public</u> (all the thousands of people who drive on Highway 29). The major question to be asked here is, "Is this of benefit to the Napa Valley"? The answer to this question is without question the overriding consideration as to whether to approve or deny this Application. Manifestly, to allow traffic to flow more smoothly with less congestion is highly desirable. To reduce the possibility/probability of a serious traffic accident is of major benefit.

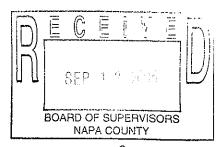
It is for the reasons stated above that we strongly recommend <u>Approval</u> of this Permit Application.

Jina Barrett – Owner/Operator Chateau Montelena Winery

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NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPT

Mark Luce County Supervisor, District 2 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

September 7, 2005

Re: V. Sattui Winery's Major Modification Use Permit Application #267 475 UP

Dear Mark,

I am writing in support of Daryl Sattui's proposal to decongest traffic at White Lane and Hwy 29. His suggestion to reroute traffic to an alternative egress point and his willingness to install a center turning lane would significantly alleviate the traffic issues along that stretch of the highway and result in increased community safety for all.

I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of his application as proposed.

Jakk Cakebread *¶hief Executive* 

cc: Daryl Sattui

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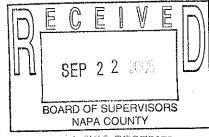
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September 19, 2005

Ms. Diane Dillon Napa Valley Supervisor District 3 1195 Third Street, Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559

Dear Supervisor Dillon:

I am writing to urge your favorable consideration of the proposed revisions to parking and to the traffic circulation plan of the V. Sattui Winery, south of St. Helena.

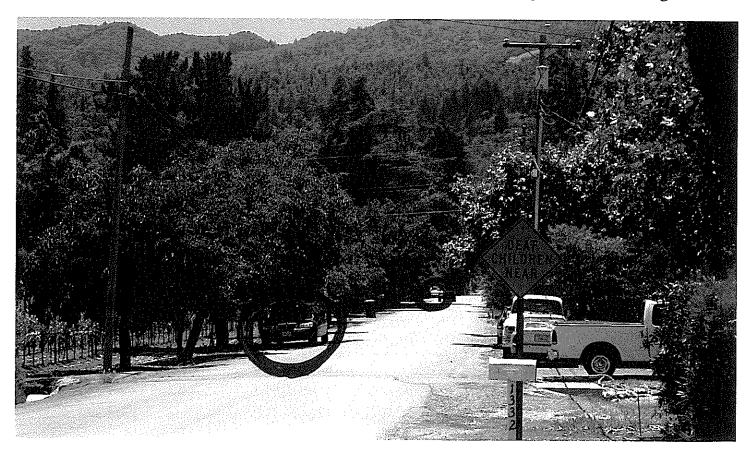
I have personally visited the site and have carefully reviewed the "Proposed Traffic Circulation Plan" dated August 2005. In my opinion, V. Sattui has proposed a credible and positive solution to a number of on-going problems, not all of which are of their own making.

I sincerely believe the Sattui organization has once again demonstrated its merit as a "dues paying" member of the Napa Valley community.

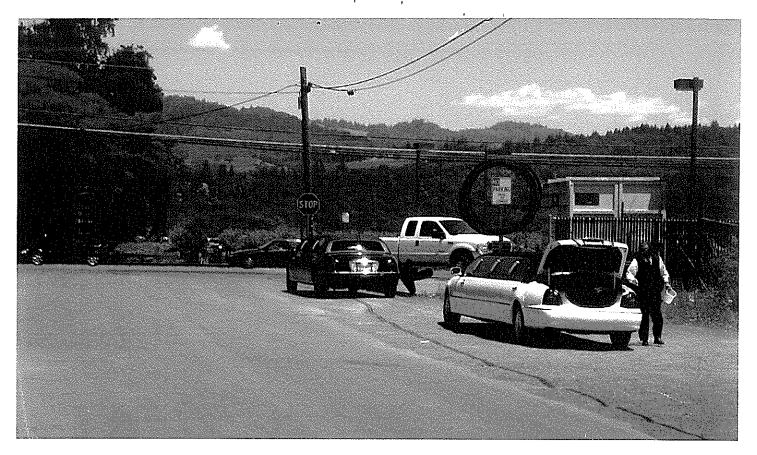
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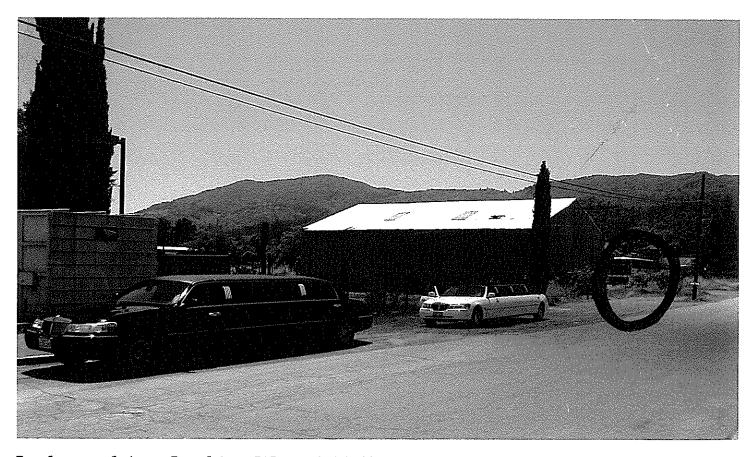
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Looking West further down Inglewood Ave. 6-11-05



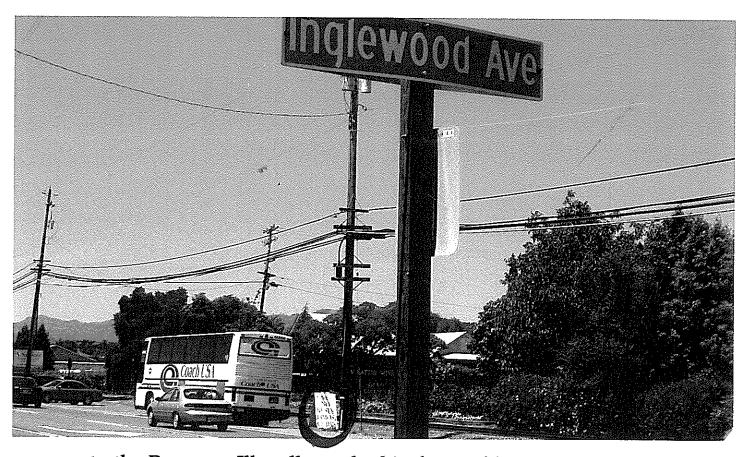
Intersection of Inglewood Ave. & Hwy. 29 Looking East 6-11-05



Inglewood Ave. Looking West 6-11-05



Sattui Parking lot showing Limos and Vans and customers headed.....



to the Bus now Illegally parked in front of Sattui on Hwy 29



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Inglewood Ave, of course! (note: RV lurking behind the bushes)



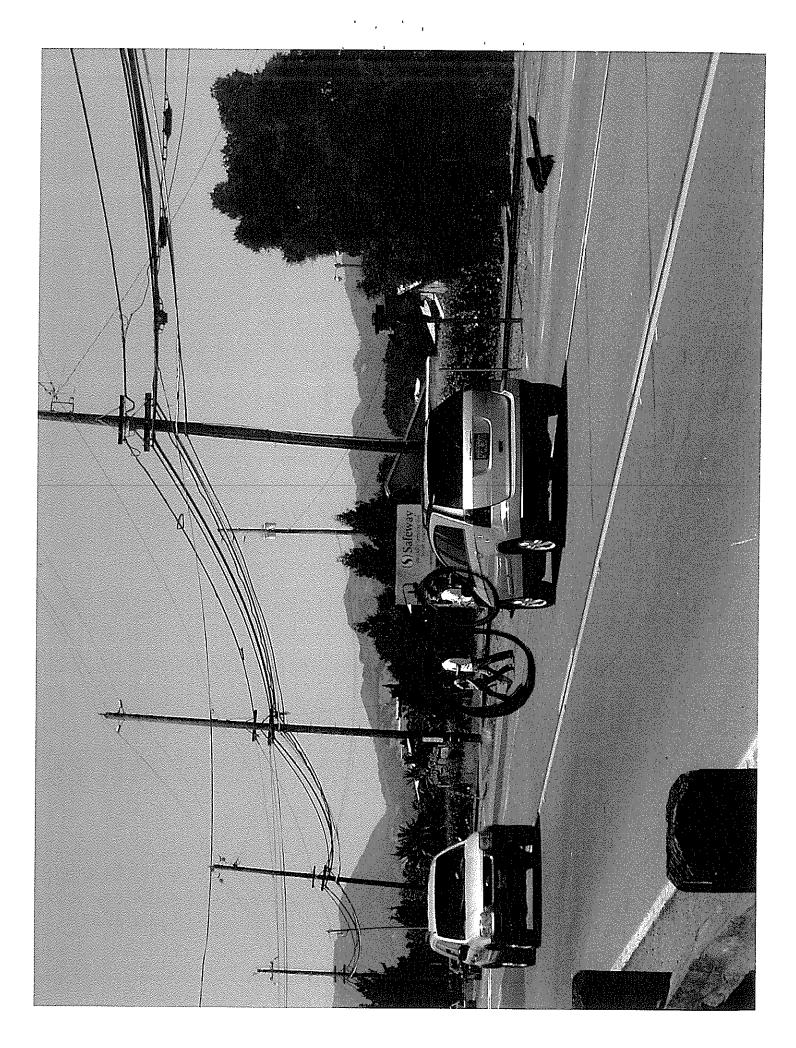
Limo leaving Dean & DeLuca.....



pulls into Sattui as another Limo leaves after discharging passengers







#### McCollister, Heather

From: Diane Beltrami [diane@sthelenaca.net]
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2005 10:51 AM

To: Trippi, Sean; McCollister, Heather

Subject: copy of letter I sent to St. Helena City Council

Dear St. Helena City Council Members,

My name is Diane Beltrami. I was in attendance at the St.Helena Planning Commission meeting last week because my property on Inglewood Ave. (1362) is directly adjacent to the Hall winery property and I like to stay informed regarding their plans. I cannot attend the St. Helena City Council meeting this week but I want you to understand my concerns.

I did not feel compelled to speak at the planning commission meeting because I don't have huge concerns over the water and traffic issues and other neighbors covered those areas of concern. The Halls have negotiated with our neighbors, and me, and, in general, I am not opposed to their project. You should be aware though, that two neighbors took it upon themselves to negotiate privately with the Halls, without informing the rest of us, and the results directly affected our home in a negative way. We may end up with a huge warehouse building right behind our home, blocking a nice view which we enjoy now. I would just like to make sure that concerns such as traffic, noise, and size of building structures are taken into account before final decisions and plans are approved. I was, however, shocked when commissioner Shott suggested the Halls divert their truck traffic to Inglewood Avenue.

I feel it was both ignorant, and irresponsible for commissioner Shott to make this suggestion without researching previous agreements, and

understanding exactly where the Hall property comes out onto Inglewood Avenue.

If truck traffic were diverted to the Inglewood entrance, I would have huge semi trucks passing directly past my little house and I have four children who live there and play outside. The Inglewood entrance is directly between two little houses and there is currently vineyard planted on it. It's bad enough having vineyard workers outside my windows very early in the mornings at certain times of the year, talking and making noise. We have negotiated with the Halls to cut down on this problem. If this entrance were used by trucks the noise would be awful and my property value would go down significantly.

If I had known there was a risk that this could occur I would definitely have spoken during the public comment time, at the Planning Commission meeting. It also surprised me that commissioner McCrae thought the neighborhood presence was sparse. There were at least six neighbors in attendance and many others didn't even know this was on the agenda for this meeting.

I sent an email to Carol Poole to confirm her assumption that no ingress/egress on to Inglewood is a part of the 1998 Golden State Use Permit that was negotiated by Diane Heldfond (now Morris). It is also my understanding that the Hall's have no intention of using this access point. I am extremely opposed to truck traffic onto and off of Inglewood Avenue. With the addition of Inglewood Village traffic, in the near future, and the V. Sattui Winery project, the dangerous traffic situation which already exists will become worse.

I just want you to know that I would like the St. Helena City Council to request a comprehensive, cumulative traffic study, including vehicular and pedestrian safety. The traffic along Highway 29 near Inglewood Ave. and V. Sattui Winery and Hall Winery is terribly congested now and will only become worse as these projects evolve. We also have limos and buses parking illegally on Inglewood Ave. and off of Hwy.29, at this time, after they drop off their customers at V. Sattui Winery. It is my opinion that many tourists will travel on foot between V. Sattui Winery, Dean and DeLuca, Hall Winery, and Louis M. Martini Winery and someone will definitely get hurt. To say that this probably won't happen is like saying that someone would go to Disneyland and not visit California Adventure. It is highly unlikely.

The winery owners have a right to develop their properties and I am not opposed to that. However, neighbors also have a legitimate right to protect our properties and views and to be able to travel safely along Hwy.29. I feel if we work together we can end up with a better outcome for everyone involved.

Sincerely,

Diane Beltrami

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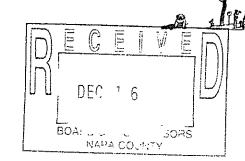
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Andrew G. Alexander, M.D. Mayor, City of Calistoga

Board of Supervisors County of Napa

Dear Friends:





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NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPT.

I have been asked to comment upon the traffic and parking changes recently proposed by the V. Sattui Winery, south of St. Helena. Given that the proposal closely dovetails two of my common themes for improvement in the valley, I am pleased to have an opportunity to voice an opinion on this issue.

The economic vitality of the Napa Valley is at risk from global themes as well as local competition. Visitor TOT and sales taxes are the lifeblood of our city services, and must be courted actively. Wines from outside the county and outside the state are now quite drinkable, and far cheaper than those of the Napa Valley. Visitors no longer come here for the wine. They come for the experience. The aura of romance and luxury must drive repeat business for our employers and our residents. Anything we as government can do to encourage the upgrading of the physical plants of our wineries and hotels is a step towards protecting our jobs and services.

The V. Sattui Winery is proposing to upgrade their overflow parking lot. This lot has sufficed for over 20 years. It should now be upgraded to meet the expectations of the next generation of visitors. The proposed upgrade will enhance the visiting experience of our TOT and sales tax paying guests. Remember, the Napa Valley is not in the wine business—we are in the romance and luxury business. Wine can be purchased in Modesto or Idaho. The Napa Valley food and wine experience, on the other hand, should only be experienced in the Napa Valley. I would hope that the local government entities would support improvement to all winery, hotel, B & B, and spa facilities... V. Sattui included.

Another of my themes these past 3 years has to do with the difficulty of arriving for the up valley wine experience. Calistoga is farther from Napa with each additional north Napa stoplight. Without success, I've asked that the lights be timed. I've highlighted the hypocrisy of spending over \$50,000,000.00 to speed traffic through the old Trancas intersection, only to see a new light added at Oak Knoll. Each impediment to traffic makes Calistoga less competitive and threatens the jobs of our good citizens in the north county.

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The V. Sattui Winery is proposing to streamline a problematic intersection without costing anyone fifty million dollars. The winery will withdraw its twenty-year tradition of exiting onto White Lane and improve the highway south of White Lane with a center lane for its new exit onto Highway 29. This will, of course, improve the Napa Valley experience for the winery's guests. It will also improve the transit time for every other Napa Valley business' guests, as well as the transit time for us locals who live north of White Lane.

As a Calistogan, I am in favor of allowing local improvements to business that also improves the quality of life for our residents. As the mayor who appointed good citizens to the Economic Vitality Group in Calistoga, I applaud any business that can combine goodwill to the community with an enhancement of the Napa Valley experience.

It is my understanding that the V. Sattui Winery has applied for use permit #267 475 UP. Please apply a favorable viewpoint towards the application's intents and goals. They seem to be the goals of us all.

Sincerely

Andrew G. Alexander, M.D.

Mayor, City of Calistoga



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Dear Sirs:

I am writing in reference to two issues that I feel are important for the Napa Valley. First, the recent victim about not allowing weddings at Napa Valley wineries I believe to be absurd. This is not only losing revenue for Napa Valley, but it has very low impact on the residents in this valley. Most wineries are very discrete about this including limiting the noise factor and I believe all wineries should be allowed to have weddings certainly allowing for deference to their residential neighbors.

In addition, I have a significant concern on highway 29 where it exits from Inglewood Lane. I believe the traffic is getting increasingly congested there and I whole heartily support Mr. Darryl Sattui's proposal to have a turn lane in the middle extending all the way to Stice Lane to allow parking at the rear of his facility. This would allow far less congestion on 29 and in addition would lower the potential for traffic accidents in the Inglewood and 29 intersection. Again, I believe the parking at the rear of his winery will help considerably in not only decongesting the amount of cars in the location of the Sattui Winery, but it will also, I believe benefit the rest of us in the area.

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I hope you will look at these considerations favorably.

Sincerely yours,

KOSTA M. ARGER, MD

Co-owner Arger-Martucci Winery

1455 Inglewood Avenue

St. Helena, California 94574

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Cc: Mr. Darryl Sattui

c/o V. Sattui Winery

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St. Helena, California 94574

Fax: 707-963-4324

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Patrick Lynch, Acting Planning Director Napa County Planning Commission 1195 Third Street Napa CA 94559

#### Dear Patrick:

On behalf of the neighbors impacted by current South St. Helena Hwy 29 planning projects we wish to communicate our appreciation for the thorough and professional work performed by your staff planner, Sean Trippi. Members of our community have been in contact with Mr. Trippi regarding both the R&R Lands restaurant and bakery Very Minor Modifications (File # P04-0403-MOD) and the Hall Winery Use Permit Modification (APN 027-120-061 & 027-120-062). Sean has demonstrated attention to detail in addressing concerns which were documented or discussed with neighbors. His independent analysis is very specific and provides protections and clarifications for all concerned. In addition, he has communicated professionally to requests for status and information.

We also would like to take this opportunity to alert you to the USPS package that we are mailing. Regarding our conversation with you after the County Planning Commission meeting on Aug 18<sup>th</sup> we are providing you with our mailing list. In that conversation we requested and you agreed to broaden the noticing regarding all projects in the South St. Helena Hwy 29 corridor to residents on our mailing list. In the meantime we have communicated to our members the recent notices received by those within 300 ft. of the R&R Land and Inglewood Village Projects. Your assistance in broadening the County notices for this area, with its high level of current/proposed development, will ensure that the planning process includes a balanced view of community as well as developer input.

Sincerely,

#### South St. Helena Neighbors

Diane Beltrami
Jane and Bill Dickerson
Sharon Dellamonica
Cindy Deutsch
Johnsye Elliott
Meryll Gobler
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Mr. Charles Wilson et al

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- Special events, specifically weddings. These events are advertised and promoted for up to 600 people and held at the winery facility (see V. Sattui website). Per the County, weddings and other private events are never allowed at wineries, only wine-related promotional events by special use permit are allowed.
- Hours of Operation. Consistently exceed allowable.
- Facilities for patrons. Consistently exceed allowable for seating, etc.

All of the above violations have resulted in an unhealthy and unsafe impact on the little area surrounding our home. In recent conversation with us and other neighbors, Mr. Daryl Sattui admitted to exceeding his permits today and for many, many years in the past.

How can Napa County have allowed these offenses go on and on? Per your own Planning Dept. staff, "...just for a little background, this department has had an ongoing enforcement problem with V. Sattui Winery with relation to their events and daily tours and tasting." (see attached)

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This letter serves as our formal demand to enforce the use existing use permits which govern the activities of V. Sattui Winery.

We are not litigious people. But we have been told that our most effective course of action is to bring suit against the County and the winery to enforce operations within existing use permits.

Please respond as the appropriate enforcement agency in a timely manner so that any such unpleasantness can be avoided.

Sincerely,

Kim and Jeff Jeanes 707/757 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

(707) 963-4635

September 20, 2003

Supervisor Bill Dodd Supervisor Mike Rippey Supervisor Mark Luce Supervisor Brad Wagenknecht, Chairman 1195 Third Street Suite 310 Napa, California 94559

#### Dear Supervisors:

Earlier this month, we sent the enclosed complaint re: V. Sattui Winery to several Napa County personnel in the Planning and Enforcement Departments, along with our District Supervisor, Ms. Diane Dillon. Upon reflection, we are also sending the letter to each of you as the concern is relative to Napa County in general, not just to the St. Helena area, and therefore, of concern to you.

Please review at your earliest convenience and respond. Thank you in advance for representing your constituents and we look forward to hearing from you.

Kimberlee and Jeffrey Jeanes

707/757 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574 (707) 963-4635 home (707) 963-2123 fax napakim@attbi.com

cc: Supervisor Diane Dillon

June 2, 2004

To:

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County of Napa Planning Commission

Ms. Carol Poole

From: Kimberlee and Jeff Jeanes

707 White Lane 757 White Lane

RE:

Joint Meeting of (2) Agencies Referenced Above

Agenda Item re: Traffic on Hwy. 29

Agenda Item re: Pending Use Permit/Modifications w/in jurisdiction of both

Planning Commissions and other Government Bodies

We regret that we are out of town today and cannot attend your scheduled 2:30pm joint meeting. Please read this correspondence into the record at today's meeting.

As residents of White Lane off Hwy. 29 since 1987 we are well versed in the proliferation of commercial development and pending commercial development in our neighborhood and the negative impact including traffic, congestion, personal security, health and safety issues which this proliferation has caused and will continue to cause in the future.

Please review the enclosed documents and the documentation on file at the County of Napa re: complaints lodged and demands made but never enforced as to the V. Sattui Winery's disregard for their allowable uses per permit and their over 20 year history of ignoring their allowed use.

Today we face not only an application for Modification of Use Permit by V. Sattui but potentially addl. Modification apps from Dean and Deluca, Hall Winery and others. In addition, there will be major impact if and when the Inglewood Business Park development goes forward.

The (11) homeowners on White Lane and other neighboring residential streets bear the brunt of this commercial proliferation. Our security and safety, not to mention affect on property values, is at risk, based on your actions or inactions as to enforcement and your decisions to approve additional commercial use, including parking and events.

Isn't it time to take the burden off of the residents of this area? Please respond at your first convenience. We are sensitive to the fact that the majority of our letters and calls seem to have fallen on deaf ears, with the exception of our representative, Supervisor Diane Dillon.

### Lynch, Patrick

From: Sharon [dellamam@i-cafe.net]

Sent: Saturday, September 11, 2004 8:38 AM

To: Lynch, Patrick

Subject: Moratorium and EIR's

#### Dear Mr. Lynch,

I am writing to ask that you join with us in asking for a moratorium on all projects along the South St. Helena corridor of Hwy. 29 until the Joint Traffic Study can be completed.

And, also ask that Environmental Impact Reports be required for all new Use Permits or modifications along this corridor, addressing the extent of cumulative traffic, groundwater, drainage and safety.

Thank you, Sharon Dellamonica Member, South St. Helena Neighbors 927 Charter Oak Ave. St. Helena, CA 94574

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## Lynch, Patrick

From: dmcgrath@pobox.com

Sent: Saturday, September 11, 2004 8:23 AM

To: dmcgrath@pobox.com
Cc: sthelenaneighbor@aol.com

Subject: Highway 29 - South St. Helena Corridor

I live at 1925 Sulphur Springs Avenue, St. Helena.

I am concerned about the traffic situation near the intersection of Highway 29 and Inglewood Avenue. I formerly resided on Inglewood Avenue and frequently use that street. North and south of the intersection, the situation is dangerous and congested for both drivers and pedestrians, as I documented in my DVD movie "Danger at the Crossroad", aka "Fahrenheit 29". Further development in the area will only aggravate the situation.

I wish to urge county authorities to establish a moratorium on all projects along the South St. Helena corridor of Hwy. 29 until the Joint Traffic Study is completed. I also ask that Napa County require Environmental Impact Reports for all new use permits or modifications along this corridor.

I ask St. Helena authorities to support the above request.

Don McGrath St. Helena



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# **CONSERVATION • DEVELOPMENT** and PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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# NOTICE

Daryl Sattui V. Sattui Winery Inc. 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574-1551

April 17, 2003

SUBJECT: LOCATION: NAPA COUNTY CODE VIOLATION 1111 WHITE LANE APN 30-260-035

Dear Mr. Sattui:

The customer service policy of this department is to be responsive to public concerns regarding alleged code violations of a land use and building safety nature. With this in mind, it is our intention to familiarize you with said codes and to assist you to promptly resolve any unsafe, substandard or unauthorized conditions at the above identified location. It has come to our attention that the following conditions and/or discrepancies exist on the subject property. This is being brought to your attention to give you the opportunity to respond and take prompt and appropriate action to correct the violations.

#### NAPA COUNTY CODE -

- Chapter 18.20 (Uses Allowed in the Agricultural Watershed Zoning District)= Public parking not a permitted use in the AW zone.
- Section 18.112.080 (Application of Zoning District Regulations) = Use of land must conform to all Zoning District Regulations.
- Chapter 18.144.040 (Nuisance) = Use of property contrary to the provisions of Chapter 18 (Zoning) Ordinance) shall be declared to be unlawful and a public nuisance.

Winery Use Permit #U-408081 limits the total number of parking spaces to 134, as designated on the approved site plan. Periodic observations w/photos indicate on-going violations of this condition of approval. Also note that an approved Temporary Event License is required for on-site events. Continued violations of the winery's conditions of approval and the Napa County Code will cause this office to request that the Planning Commission initiate proceedings to revoke your use permit.

Please call me at (707) 259-8226 within ten (10) days of the date of this letter to discuss the resolution of this matter. Failure to respond in a positive manner within the time specified will result in the issuance of Administrative Citations and/or a referral to the District Attorney.

Sincerely,

Edward S. Colby, Planner III

Code Compliance Unit

cc: Diane Dillon, Supervisor District #3 Charley Wilson, Director Patrick Lynch, Assistant Director Gary Brewen, Building Codes Administrator

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September 8, 2003

NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPT.

Mr. Charles Wilson Director of Conservation, Development and Planning 1195 Third Street Suite 210 Napa, California 94559

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Mr. Sattui informed us you are allowing him extra time, over the usual (10) days to respond to a directive from the County in July 2003 which responded to a complaint filed

in August 2002 in order to have a traffic survey completed. If his use permit is to be enforced, why would you allow him the extra time?

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Please respond at your first convenience as time is of the essence in this matter. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Robert Westmeyer, Napa County Counsel

Ms. Diane Dillon, Napa County Supervisor, District 3

Daryl Sattui, owner V. Sattui Winery

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Mr. Daryl Sattui V. Sattui Winery 1111 White Lane St. Helena, CA 94574

#### SATTUI USE PERMIT HISTORY

- 1. Original Use Permit (U-267475): This permit was approved on February 19, 1975 allowing the establishment of a "small winery in conjunction with a cheese and gift shop and picnic area. As with most use permits in Napa, a number of conditions of approval were set out as requirements for the granting of approval by the County. Of the eight listed, the following are potentially relevant to the White Lane residential community:
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- 2. Modification of Original Use Permit (U-118687): On February 4, 1987 the County Planning Commission granted approval for Sattui to increase production capacity from 48,000 to 96,000 gallons. Additionally, this new use permit allows an outside barbeque for use with private functions and a new mezzanine floor within the deli/gift shop.
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  - a.) "There will be no increase in annual production, or any other aspect of the winery's approved operation."
  - b.) "All conditions of Use Permit U-118687 shall remain in effect"
- 4. Modification of Use Permit (U-118687): On March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1995 Sattui made an application to allow the construction of an on-premise kitchen. The City of St. Helena, which supplies water to Sattui, objected that the incremental increase in water use would potentially overburden the water system. The County advised the applicant that in order to further process the application for a new kitchen,

they would have to supply additional information regarding proposed water use, waste water flows, and alteration to the existing on-site septic system. The County suggested that the kitchen application might trigger new, "negative environmental impacts." Shortly after, Sattui abandoned the application and procured an off-site facility for food preparation.

- 5. Use Permit for New Warehouse (94360-UP): On October 18, 1995 the County approved a new use permit allowing the construction of an 11,917 warehouse for the storage of case goods produced at Sattui winery. The relevant conditions of approval are as follows:
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  - b.) "Adequate evergreen screening shall be provided between the new improvements and the residential uses off-site."
  - c.) "Parking shall be limited to approved parking spaces on the site plan, and shall not occur on shoulders of the access drive nor on agricultural/vineyard roads."
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- 6. Use Permit Modification for Storage Loft (96663-MOD): On July 28, 1997 the County approved a modification to the use permit allowing a 360 square foot storage loft inside the deli building. Conditions of approval state:
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- 7. Napa County Planning Letter Dated September 20, 2002: In response to a request for background (I think this came from the Sitters) on whether Sattui is allowed to hold wedding events at the winery, Brain Holt, from the Napa County Planning Department indicates the following:
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TO:

Melissa

**AT FAX NUMBER: 967-1131** 

FROM: Brian Holt-Napa Co. Planning

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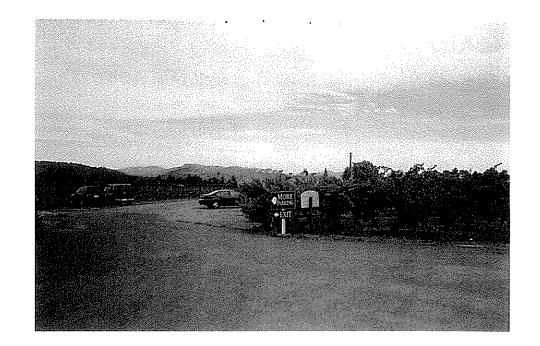
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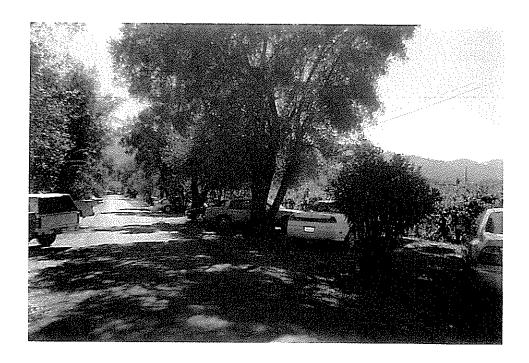
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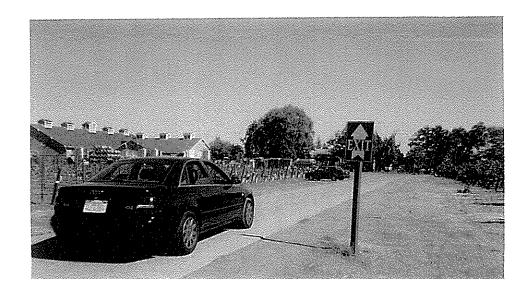












September 8, 2003

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Mr. Charles Wilson Director of Conservation, Development and Planning 1195 Third Street Suite 210 Napa, California 94559 NAPA CO. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEFT.

We are writing to bring several issues to your attention regarding our neighbor on White Lane in St. Helena, V. Sattui Winery.

As the attached summary indicates, the winery should be operating according to use permits, modifications and entitlements therein as issued to V. Sattui by the County of Napa. After reviewing the history of this winery with information provided to us by the County and V. Sattui Winery, we are making several presumptions.

Presumably, these permits were issued with the health, safety and convenience of patrons, residents and property owners in mind.

Presumably, the County of Napa issued these permits and entitlements with awareness of any negative impacts on the environment, traffic, health and safety of residents, patrons and property owner, should those entitlements be exceeded.

And, finally, we presume that the County of Napa is responsible for enforcement should violations of these permits occur.

It is our position that V. Sattui Winery is consistently and egregiously exceeding their use permits in at least (2) areas:

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All of the above violations have resulted in an unhealthy and unsafe impact on the area surrounding our home. In recent conversation with us and other neighbors, Mr. Daryl Sattui admitted to exceeding his permits today and for 17 years in the past and used that rationalization for applying for even more parking (see attached).

Mr. Sattui informed us you are allowing him extra time, over the usual (10) days to respond to a directive from the County in July 2003 which responded to a complaint filed

in August 2002 in order to have a traffic survey completed. If his use permit is to be enforced, why would you allow him the extra time?

We also question how Napa County could have allowed these offenses to go on and on? Per your own Planning Dept. staff,

"...just for a little background, this department has had an ongoing enforcement problem with V. Sattui Winery with relation to their events and daily tours and tasting." (see attached)

Although no one can change the past, the Napa County Planning and related departments can certainly change the way you enforce these permits going forward.

For your information, our neighbor group has met to hear from one neighbor who has an active complaint on file with the County regarding these matters. In fairness, our group also met to hear first hand from the owner of V. Sattui Winery. We have scheduled a meeting this week with our elected representative, Ms. Diane Dillon. We have extensively researched the files provided to us by your department regarding V. Sattui Winery and now that we have done our research, we are appealing to you.

This letter serves as our formal complaint regarding lack of enforcement of the existing use permits and our formal demand to enforce those permits which govern the activities of V. Sattui Winery.

Please respond at your first convenience as time is of the essence in this matter. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Kim and Jeff Jeanes 707/757 White Lane

St. Helena, CA 94574

(707) 963-4635

Enclosures (4)

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#### SATTUI USE PERMIT HISTORY

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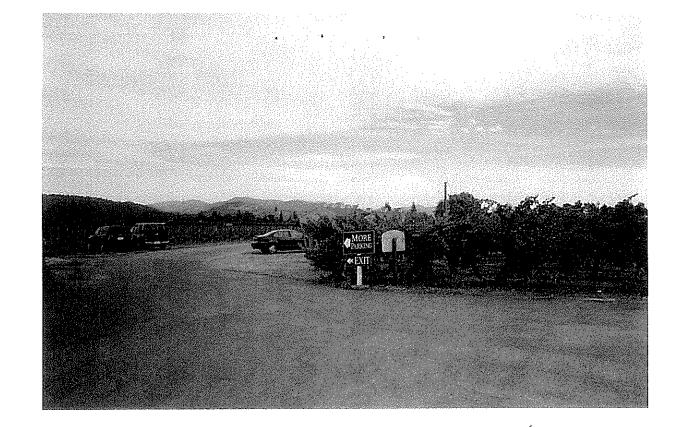
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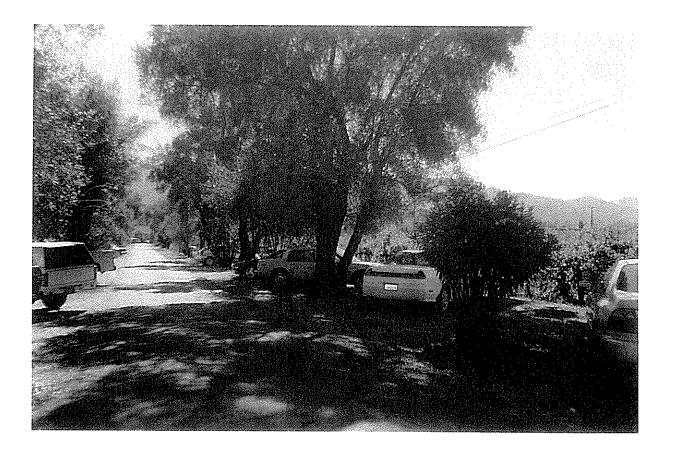
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TO: White Lane Neighbors

FROM: Daryl Sattui and Tom Davies

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During this seventeen year period, Mr. Perez has said numerous times that he was going to the County to complain about our vineyard parking and other alleged parking infractions. Finally he did, and a couple of months ago we were notified by the County of Napa to rectify these parking issues. The day after we were notified, we began working with the County to lawfully permit the vineyard overflow parking.

Normally adding additional parking for an existing winery in Napa County is a relatively simple process according the planning department. However in our case, we have a very unique situation where the deli and wine tasting room are on commercially-zoned property and the winery is on agriculturally-zoned land. The reason this is important, is that it is unlawful for agricultural land to support a commercial activity such as a deli. Mr. Perez contends that this additional parking is for the support of the deli and not of the winery.

So the question arises, are our customers coming to buy wine or food and gifts? Of course, we hope they buy both and most people do, but sales figures show that 80% of our total gross revenues are exclusively from wine sales. Clearly these sales figures show that the vast majority of our customers are coming here to buy wine, an activity that is permitted on Ag land. Maybe Mr. Perez wants us to screen every customer coming in to our winery to see if they are buying wine or cheese. If they buy wine, then it's O.K. to park on the Ag land, but if they buy cheese, then they must move their car to the commercial portion of the property....?

We are not sure of Mr. Perez's motives, but the County has indicated that they want to work with us to permit this additional vineyard area parking.

Daryl Sattui and Torn Davies



August 20, 2003

Mr. Steven Lederer Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559-4336

Re: V. Sattui Winery

Dear Steve:

Thank you and other staff members for the cooperation you've shown regarding concerns about parking at the V. Sattui Winery. As we have discussed, the winery has undertaken a review of the parking and traffic circulation issues in an effort to find a resolution that meets the needs of the winery and its neighbors, and is also consistent with Napa County ordinances and CalTrans requirements. We believe there very well may be an ability to satisfy all of those expectations and, in fact, improve traffic circulation in this area. In conjunction with this review we are preparing an application for the county's consideration, which we will circulate to our neighbors as well (a number of whom have written letters supportive of our overflow vineyard parking and past and current efforts to minimize impacts on our neighbors).

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We will do everything we can to expedite our submittal. At this juncture we believe we will be able to submit that request within approximately 8 to 10 weeks; we will keep your office informed of our progress. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about these issues.

V. Sattui Winery

Daryl Sattul∕, Owner

cc: Supervisor Diane Dillon

Mr. Charley Wilson Mr. Patrick Lynch



September 10, 2003

Mr. Patrick Lynch Napa County Conservation, Development & Planning Department 1195 Third Street, Room 210 Napa, CA 94559-4336

Re: V. Sattui Winery

Dear Mr. Lynch:

Recently we have had a number of discussions with you, and other representatives of your office, and members of the Napa County Board of Supervisors regarding certain concerns regarding our continued operations at our property. We thought it would be helpful to confirm in writing our mutual understandings regarding the County's practice in these matters so it will be clear that we are making every effort to eliminate further concerns about our operations.

We recently wrote to the Department confirming our diligent efforts to provide a solution to the parking and traffic issues that will address neighborhood concerns regarding traffic and other impacts, that will comply with Napa County policies and regulations, and meet the legitimate needs of the winery. As we confirmed in our August 20<sup>th</sup> letter, we have hired a traffic engineer and have begun developing parking and circulation plan and are about to commence discussions with the appropriate agencies with jurisdiction over those efforts. Further, we have reached agreement with a neighboring property owner who owns a commercial limited property, to park employees and some of our overflow parking.

Despite these interim measures, we have discussed with you our great concern about closing all existing overflow parking before we can implement alternative measures. All of us have seen the traffic hazards that are created at the Flea Market near Tower Road when customers, despite efforts of the operators, park wherever they can find a place on a busy highway and run across busy traffic. In the past we have experienced the same situation when we have closed our lot and we are concerned this may create a health and safety disaster for our neighbors and the patrons of all of our businesses. As a result, consistent with County practice in numerous other situations where a property owner is making diligent efforts to comply with use permit conditions by submitting a modification request, we ask that you confirm the overflow parking currently occurring (much of which is for visitors who participate in tours

1111 White Lane, St. Helena, Napa Valley, California 94574 2 miles south on St. Helena highway (707) 963-7774 www.vsattui.com Fax (707) 963-4324 and tastings at the winery or in the affiliated tasting room and who, consistent with County regulations, may legally may be allowed to park on agriculturally-zoned property) can continue until the County has had an opportunity to review our modification request so long as it is timely submitted within eight to ten weeks of August 20<sup>th</sup>. During this time we will confirm with all visitors to the Property that are attemping to park in the overflow parking area whether they are visiting the winery, which is an ag related activity. If so, we will issue them a parking pass and allow only these visitors, and our winery employees, to park in this overflow area.

In addition, questions have been raised regarding our conduct of weddings and other special events at the winery. Although we are aware that the County has not specifically granted any wineries a permit that allows weddings, and had adopted a position that all such weddings are illegal, we believe our circumstances allow us to conduct weddings at the winery. We have always conducted these kinds of events at the winery; in fact, we had a full-time special events coordinator, and an assistant, who marketed and coordinated such events long before adoption of the Winery Definition Ordinance. Those events have never been a secret; in fact, a number of public officials in Napa County have attended such events at the winery and we have never been advised, until recently, that some County staff might have taken the position (without reviewing our prior activities) that all such events were inappropriate. We are assembling supporting materials regarding those operations, and will submit them to the County along with our modification request.

Meanwhile, we have a number of such events that have been scheduled and are binding obligations which the winery has no legal basis to negate. These types of events are scheduled well in advance (approximately a year in many cases) and alternative arrangements cannot be arranged, particularly on short notice, when numerous people have made travel and hotel arrangements and contracts have been entered into with numerous vendors in Napa County. It is our understanding that County practice has been that any such events that had been committed are allowed to continue when the issue has been raised at other wineries (e.g. Deputy Planning Director Mike Miller's letter of June 17, 1997 allowing existing weddings to continue at the former Kornell Cellars winery in which the County expressly allowed scheduled events to continue because "the planning and contractual arrangements that precede weddings are unlikely to allow immediate cesation of that activity...)". While we believe that we are legally allowed to continue to conduct such events, we will agree, in an effort to reduce some of the discord that has arisen, to temporarily suspend committing to further such events until we have had an opportunity to provide our supporting documentation for County review (and we have already eliminated references to weddings in our website while we are addressing these issues).

We appreciate the Department's efforts to address the concerns of all parties and to follow prior and consistent practices regarding these issues. We would appreciate your confirmation regarding our understanding of the manner in which we will conduct our operations during the interim period before the County may evaluate the situation and determine the best course to take.

V. Sattui Winery

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Message:

Patrick, I thought you might be interested in the attached letter recently sent to the neighbors by Daryl Sattui. He openly admits to ongoing violations of the use permit related to parking. This conduct also violates a stipulation regarding parking that was entered into between Sattui and the neighbors 20 years ago as settlement of a lawsuit in which the County was involved. I assume you have a copy of that Stipulation and Order. You should also know that at a meeting last weekend with the neighbors Sattui openly admitted to holding at least 70 weddings a year at the winery. All of the neighbors are witnesses to his admission. I hope this assists with your investigation. Dawn Ross

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July 20, 2003

TO: White Lanc Neighbors

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RE: Informational Letter Regarding V. Sattui Parking Issues

Since 1986, we have been parking cars in our vineyard avenue that connects the winery building and our warehouse about 200 yards away. We have primarily used this vineyard parking area as an overflow from our main-parking lot on busy weekends and holidays. We do not have a permit to use this area as parking, but we saw no harm in using it as extra parking because it's common in the valley for wineries and businesses to use non-permitted areas for additional parking. It has been no secret with the community that we have been using this area for additional parking for the last seventeen years; and to our knowledge, no one has complained to us except Mr. Perez. Mr. Perez is a vineyard owner and landlord on White Lane, who by the way, does not live on White Lane.

During this seventeen year period, Mr. Perez has said numerous times that he was going to the County to complain about our vineyard parking and other alleged parking infractions. Finally he did, and a couple of months ago we were notified by the County of Napa to rectify these parking issues. The day after we were notified, we began working with the County to lawfully permit the vineyard overflow parking.

Normally adding additional parking for an existing winery in Napa County is a relatively simple process according the planning department. However in our case, we have a very unique situation where the deli and wine tasting room are on commercially-zoned property and the winery is on agriculturally-zoned land. The reason this is important, is that it is unlawful for agricultural land to support a commercial activity such as a deli. Mr. Perez contends that this additional parking is for the support of the deli and not of the winery.

So the question arises, are our customers coming to buy wine or food and gifts? Of course, we hope they buy both and most people do, but sales figures show that 80% of our total gross revenues are exclusively from wine sales. Clearly these sales figures show that the vast majority of our customers are coming here to buy wine, an activity that is permitted on Ag land. Maybe Mr. Perez wants us to screen every customer coming in to our winery to see if they are buying wine or cheese. If they buy wine, then it's O.K. to park on the Ag land, but if they buy cheese, then they must move their car to the commercial portion of the property.....?

We are not sure of Mr. Perez's motives, but the County has indicated that they want to work with us to permit this additional vineyard area parking.

Shortly we will provide you with a site plan of the winery and the additional vineyard parking. If you have any questions, please contact us at anytime.

Daryl Sattui and Tom Davies