COUNTY OF NAPA

CONSERVATION, DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPARTMENT 1195 THIRD ST., SUITE 210 NAPA, CA 94559

(707) 253-4417

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration

- 1. **Project Title**: Beckstoffer Vineyards II & VI Land Division
- 2. **Property Owner**: Beckstoffer Vineyards II & VI
- 3. **Contact person and phone number**: Kirsty Shelton, Planner, 299-1337, kshelton@co.napa.ca.us
- 4. **Project location and APN:** 8600 Conn Creek Road, Rutherford, CA APN's 030-200-070;-075;030-280-031 SFAP
- 5. **Project Sponsor's Name and Address**: Chris Cordano, PO Box 405, Rutherford, CA 94573
- 6. **Hazardous Waste Sites:** The project is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Project Description Request for approval of Parcel Map #P09-00182 to establish three new parcels: \pm 48.19 acres, \pm 50.91 acres, and \pm 44.11 acres from two existing parcels that are approximately \pm 72.95 and \pm 74.30 acres. Currently approximately 122 acres are planted to vineyards, the property is accessed by an existing driveway and the remainder of the property consists of an existing single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office (proposed to remain on Parcel 2). There is no anticipated change in land use. The two new parcels will remain in vineyard. Though no construction is anticipated, there are two new building sites designated with access from Conn Creek Road and Ponti Road respectively. Also designated is an easement to access the parcels on the other side of Conn Creek to provide future access to the 2 building sites these designations are necessary requirements to complete the land division. There are existing wells for vineyard irrigation. Access to the parcel is an unpaved private access with future easements beginning at Conn Creek Road, which is a paved county road. No changes are anticipated to the existing conditions.

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION:

	The Conservation, Development and Planning Director of Napa County has tentatively determined that the above described project would:
\boxtimes	Not have a significant effect on the environment. The County intends to adopt a NEGATIVE DECLARATION .
	have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. The County intends to adopt a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION.
	Documentation supporting this determination is contained in the attached Initial Study Checklist and is available for inspection at the Napa County Conservation, Development and Planning Department Office, 1195 Third St. Room 210, Napa, California 94559 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:45 PM Monday through Friday (excepholidays).
	DATE: BY:

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD:

Please send written comments to the attention of Kirsty Shelton at 1195 Third St., Room 210, Napa, California 94559, or via e-mail to kshelton@co.napa.ca.us. A public hearing on this project is tentatively scheduled for the

Napa County Planning Commission on October 7, 2009 . calling (707) 253-4417.	You may confirm the date and time of this hearing by

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Initial Study Checklist (Reference CEQA, Appendix G)

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6.	Ge	eneral Plan description: Agricu	ıltural	Resource (AR)				
7.	Zo	oning: Agricultural Preserve (AI	P)					
8.	Pr	oject Description						
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9.	En	vironmental setting and surro	undin	g land uses:				
	to	the east Silverado Trail. The pa	rcel te	oducing vineyards, wineries, rural errain is relatively flat at less than 5 ain ranges from less than 5% slope	% slop	e, Conn Creek disects all three		
10.	Ot	ther agencies whose approval i	is/may	be required, including Responsi	ble an	d Trustee Agencies: none		
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				d be potentially affected by this pr l by the checklist on the following p	,	involving at least one impact that		
		Aesthetics		Agriculture Resources		Air Quality		
1		Biological Resources		Cultural Resources		Geology / Soils		

	Hazards & Hazardous Materials	Ш	Hydrology / Water Quality	Ш	Land Use/Planning					
	Mineral Resources		Noise		Population/Housing					
	Public Services		Recreation		Transportation/Traffic					
	Utilities / Service Systems		Mandatory Findings of Significance							
The conclusions and recommendations contained herein are professional opinions derived in accordance with current standards of professional practice. They are based on a review of the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (BASELINE DATA REPORT, County GIS), the other sources of information listed in the file, and										
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ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
I.	AE	STHETICS. Would the project:		incorporation		
	a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			\boxtimes	
	b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?			\boxtimes	
	c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				
	d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			\boxtimes	
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(Refere	ences	s: General Plan, BDR, GIS-Viewshed roads/Historic sites)				
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II.	age	GRICULTURE RESOURCES. In determining impacts to agriculturencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Spt. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts of	Site Assessment	e significant envi Model (1997) pre	epared by the	California
	a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Important (Farmland) as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				
	b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				\boxtimes
Discus	c) sion	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?				

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and that land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels.

(References: General Plan, BDR/GIS layer Dept of Conservation Farmlands, Zoning Code Chapter 18.16, BDR/GIS layer: Viticultural areas, agriculture layer, potential productive soils, BDR/GIS layer Agriculture Contracts)

a-c) The proposed project will not convert any Farmland to a non-agriculture use. The proposed project would continue with agricultural uses, the existing vineyard as is, though in 3 parcels. The project site is zoned as agriculture, specifically Agriculture Preserve (AP). Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (a-c).

Mitigation Measures: none

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III.		R QUALITY. Where available, the significance criteria established by trol district may be relied upon to make the following determinations	* *		gement or air	pollution
	a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
	b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?				
	c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				
	d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			\boxtimes	
	e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and that land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. The project site is located in the northwesterly portion of Napa County within the San Francisco Bay Area Air Basin as designated by and in the jurisdiction of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). The San Francisco Bay Area Air Basin is currently classified as nonattainment for both state and federal ozone precursors and standards.

(Reference: ARB/BAAQMD, General Plan, BDR & GIS, project file)

Green House Gas Emissions

In 2006, the State Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 32, requiring the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to design measures and rules to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions statewide to 1990 levels no later than 2020. The measures and regulations to meet the 2020 target are to be put in effect by 2012, and the regulatory development of these measures is ongoing. In August 2007, the Legislature enacted Senate Bill 97, which among other things, directed the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to propose new CEQA regulations for the evaluation and mitigation of GHG emissions.

SB 97 directs OPR to develop such guidelines by July 2009, and directs the state Resources Agency (the agency responsible for adopting CEQA regulations) to certify and adopt such regulations by January 2010. This effort is underway; however, to date no formal CEQA regulations relating to GHG emissions have been adopted. In September 2008, the Legislature enacted Senate Bill 375, which established a process for the development of regional targets for reducing passenger vehicle GHG emissions. Through the SB 375 process, regions throughout the state will develop plans designed to integrate development patterns and transportation networks in a manner intended to reduce GHG emissions. Neither the State nor Napa County has adopted explicit thresholds of significance fro GHG emissions. While some might argue that *any* new emission would be significant under CEQA, pending amendments to the State CEQA guidelines suggest that agencies may consider the extent to which a project compiles with requirements adopted to implement a statewide, regional, or local plan for the reduction or mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions.

The Napa County General Plan calls on the County to complete an inventory of green house gas emissions from all major sources in the County by the end of 2009, and then to seek reductions such that emissions are equivalent to year 1990 levels by 2020. The General Plan also states that "development of a reduction plan shall include consideration of a 'green building' ordinance and other mechanisms that are shown to be effective at reducing emissions." Overall increases in GHG emissions in Napa County were assessed in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) prepared for the Napa County General Plan Update and certified in June 2008. GHG emissions were found to be significant and unavoidable despite adoption of mitigation measures that incorporated specific policies and action items into the General Plan.

Napa County is currently developing an emission reduction plan, and in the interim requires project applicants to consider methods to reduce GHG emission and incorporate permanent and verifiable emission offsets, consistent with Napa County General Plan Policy CON-65(e). The current project applicant is not proposing any construction, however if in the future a building permit is pulled it would need to conform with increasingly stringent Title 24 energy conservation requirements imposed as part of the building permit process.

Construction and operation of the proposed project analyzed in this initial study would contribute to the overall increases in GHG emission by generating emissions associated with transportation to and from the site, emissions from energy used within buildings, and emissions from the use of equipment. However, the project would positively affect carbon sequestration by maintaining vegetation on the site.

In light of these efforts, the relatively modest increase in emissions expected as a result of the project is considered less than significant. Also, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, because this initial study assesses a project that is consistent with and adopted General Plan for which an EIR was prepared, it appropriately focuses on impacts which are "peculiar to the project," rather than the cumulative impacts previously assessed.

a-e) The proposed land division would not conflict with or obstruct any applicable air quality plans. No construction activities are anticipated. Vineyard operations and maintenance activities would remain as they currently exist. The proposed project would not result in a considerable net long-term increase of any criteria pollutants. It is anticipated this proposed project in its entirety would not contribute substantially to any air quality violation nor would it result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant. There are no sensitive receptors located in the vicinity (1/2 mile) of the proposed project and the proposed project will not create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people. Therefore, less than significant effects are anticipated with respect to (a-e).

Mitigation Measures: none

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IV. **BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES.** Would the project:

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?				
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, Coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?			\boxtimes	
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?			\boxtimes	
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			\boxtimes	
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				\boxtimes

Discussion:

The existing two parcels totaling 146.95 acres have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and that land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. The designated building envelopes on the two newly configured parcels are accessed from Conn Creek Road and Ponti Road. A total of approximately 4 acres of vineyard would be removed should buildings be constructed. In reviewing the sensitive biotic groups, it was noted that the Northwestern Pond Turtle, a sensitive animal specie is present in Conn Creek. Conn Creek, a USGS blue-lined stream dissects all three parcel boundaries an existing bridge existing on Parcel Two and an access easement is includes for access to Parcel One.

(References: General Plan, BDR/GIS layers: sensitive biotic groups, vegetation, streams/fish presence, plant surveys, NDDB & vernal pools)

a-e) Sensitive natural communities or wetlands are not located on the parcel. There are no plant species of concern to USFWS, migratory corridors nor are any Conservation Plans associated with this parcel this project or in the vicinity. The Northwestern Pond Turtle, sensitive animal specie is present in Conn Creek however, since the only potential construction is proposed over 550 feet from Conn Creek on Parcel One and 1784 feet on Parcel two so no impacts are anticipated. The project will not interfere with any movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species

or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites. The proposed project would not conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources. Therefore, less than significant effects are anticipated with respect to (a-e).

f) There are no local or state conservation plans currently associated with the project or in the vicinity that the project as proposed will conflict with. Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (f).

Mitigation Measures: none

V.	CU	JLTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in CEQA Guidelines §15064.5?				
	b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines§15064.5?			\boxtimes	
	c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geological feature?				
	d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				

Discussion:

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and a single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. A cultural resource survey report was prepared for the neighboring property to the west (Archeo-Tec, 1991) and included reference to this parcel with the conclusion of no cultural resources of note were found.

(Reference: General Plan, BDR/GIS layer: historic sties, parcel specific cultural resources report)

a-d) There are no known archaeological resources, sensitive areas or sites, no known paleontological resources or unique geologic features on or associated with the project site, though there are known sensitive areas in the vicinity. Research into past uses has not identified historic resources that may be present at the site. A cultural resource survey report was prepared for the neighboring property to the west (Archeo-Tec, 1991) and included reference to this parcel with the conclusion that no cultural resources of note were found. The site has been previously graded when vineyards were installed. It is therefore not anticipated that any cultural resources are present on the site, and the potential for impact is considered less-than-significant.

Building sites are designated but construction is not proposed, however if construction does occur, should a discovery of unknown cultural resources occur, the proposed project will include the following standard County imposed "condition of approval": In the event that cultural resources or prehistoric artifacts are discovered, uncovered, or otherwise detected during soil-disturbing activities, work on the immediately affected portion of the site shall cease immediately and Napa County be notified, and a qualified archaeologist shall be brought to the site to assess whether the resources at issue are either "historical resources" or "unique archaeological resources." The archaeologist shall recommend appropriate mitigation to Napa County, which shall determine what measures are appropriate and feasible. Such measures may include avoidance, removal and preservation, and/or recordation in accordance with accepted professional archaeological practice. California law recognizes the need to protect Native American human burials, skeletal remains, and items associated with Native American burials from vandalism and inadvertent destruction. The procedures for the

treatment of Native American human remains are contained in California Health and Safety Code §7050.5 and §7052 and California Public Resources Code §5097. The California Health and Safety Code requires that if human remains are found in any location other than a dedicated cemetery, work is to be halted in the immediate area, and the county coroner is to be notified to determine the nature of the remains. The coroner is required to examine all discoveries of human remains within 48 hours of receiving notice of a discovery on private or state lands (Health and Safety Code §7050.5[b]). If the coroner determines that the remains are those of a Native American interment, then the Native American Heritage Commission shall be consulted to identify the most likely descendants and the appropriate disposition of the remains. Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (a-d).

Mitigation Measure: none

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VI.	GE	COLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:		incorporation		
	a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				
		i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.			\boxtimes	
		ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?			\boxtimes	
		iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			\boxtimes	
		iv) Landslides?			\boxtimes	
	b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			\boxtimes	
	c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?			\boxtimes	
	d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in the current California Building Code, creating substantial risks to life or property?				
	e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and a single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. The proposed project has been reviewed and approved with recommended conditions as set forth in the Department of Environmental Management's memo (dated September 17, 2009).

(Reference: General Plan, County Code Chapters 8, 13, 16 & 18, BDR/ GIS layers: geology, soils, landslides, dam levee inundation, liquefaction, flood zones, Floodplain Management, streams, water bodies, slope & Alquist-Priolo, California Building Code 2007 (Chapter 18, Section 1802.3.2))

a-e) The parcel is located in the seismically active San Francisco Bay Area. The terrain is relatively flat at 5% slope or less. There are no known faults that traverse the project site/parcel. No substantial loss of top soil is anticipated. The proposed project not located in an area of susceptible to ground failure or land slides, and in an area of a low risk factor for liquefaction. The soil types are considered Bale Clay Loam (2-5% slope). Therefore, less than significant effects are anticipated with respect to (a-e).

Mitigation Measure: none

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VII.	HA	AZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Would the project:		incorporation		
	a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				\boxtimes
	b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonable foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				\boxtimes
	c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				\boxtimes
	d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				\boxtimes
	e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes
	f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes
	g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				
	h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wild-land fires, including where wild-lands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wild-lands?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and a single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office and that land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. The project as proposed has been reviewed by Environmental Management (memo dated September 17, 2009).

The project as proposed has been reviewed and conditioned by Public Works (see memo dated September 18, 2009) and CalFire (memo dated June 9, 2009). (All memos are in the project file and available for review.)

(References: General Plan, County Code Chapters 8, 13, 16 & 18, BDR/GIS layers: hazardous facilities, Napa Airport, roads, Fire & fire hazard zones-CDF, California Building Standards Code 2007, California Health and Safety Code Chapters 6.5 & 6.95)

- **a-f)** The proposed project does not propose any new use or development and therefore is not anticipated to create significant hazard from releases of hazardous materials. Emergency vehicles will have same access as they currently do. There are no schools located within one-quarter mile from the proposed project site. The proposed site is not a known hazardous materials site. The project site is not located within the vicinity of any public or private airports. Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (a-f).
- **g-h)** The proposed project is not anticipated to physically interfere with emergency response to or from the site or any evacuation plans for the area because this project doesn't impede any existing circulation patterns. Therefore, less than significant effects are anticipated with respect to (g-h).

Mitigation Measures: none

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VIII.	HY	DROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would the project:				
	a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
	b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?			\boxtimes	
	c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?			\boxtimes	
	d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?				
	e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?			\boxtimes	
	f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?			\boxtimes	
	g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?			\boxtimes	

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h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				
j)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?				

Discussion:

The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and a single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. No change in water use is anticipated. The land division has been reviewed and conditioned by Public Works (memo dated September 18, 2009).

(References: General Plan, BDR/GIS layers: flood zones, water bodies, dam levee inundation, groundwater deficient areas, streams, geology, domestic water supply drainages, contours & slope, County Code Chapters 13, 16 & 18)

- **a-f)** The source of water is an existing well. The proposed land division would not result in an increase in water use. The total threshold for the parcels combined is 147 af/yr. Upon the land division, the newly formed parcels will use the same amount of water. The proposed project is not anticipated to alter the drainage pattern to cause on or off site flooding. Therefore, less than significant effects would be anticipated with respect to (a-f).
- g-j) The proposed project is located within a 100-year flood hazard area, FEMA flood zone AE. The Base Flood Elevation (BFE) is available in a detailed study and ranges from 143 ft. MSL to 159 MSL, (FEMA panel 06055C0385E, revision 9/26/08). This project is not proposing any development with the flood way and therefore it is not anticipated to impede or redirect flood flows. Parcels One and Two and portions of Parcel Three are located within the floodplain, a condition of project approval will include that an additional map sheet be approved by the County Surveyor and shall include clear and accurate location of the flood zone boundary and the location of all existing structures and building envelopes to be located outside of the flood hazard area. The site is not anticipated to be subject to significant risk from flooding due to dam or levee failure. The project site is not area known to be inundated by seiche, tsunami or mudflow. Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (g-j).

Mitigation Measures: none

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IX.	LA	ND USE AND PLANNING. Would the project:		Incorporation		
	a) b)	Physically divide an established community? Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation				
		of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				

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	c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?		Incorporation		\boxtimes
Discus	sion					
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•		General Plan, County Code, BDR/GIS layers: Dept of Conseritat areas, project associated plan)	vation Farmla	nds 2006, NDD	B F&G, & bio	ological
be in ke will the plans.	atior eepir e pro The	e proposed project would not physically divide an established of Agricultural Preserve, a General Plan designation of Agricultural Preserve, a General Plan designation of Agricultural Preserve, a General Plan designation of Agricultural Preserve will not confloor with both designations. The proposed project will not confloor posed project conflict with any applicable habitat conservation erefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (a-c).	cultural Reserv lict with any of	e and the propo ther applicable	osed project v regulations, i	nor
Mitigat	ion	Measures: none				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Х.	MI	NERAL RESOURCES. Would the project:		incorporation.		
	a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
	b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				\boxtimes
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(Refere	nce:	General Plan, BDR/GIS)				
	e or avai	e proposed project site is not in an area of a known valuable m mineral resource recovery site nor would the project result in lability of any locally important mineral resource recovery pla a-b).	a loss of a kno	own valuable m	ineral resour	ce or
<u>Mitigat</u>	ion	Measures: none				

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XI.	NC	ISE. Would the project result in:					
	a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				\boxtimes	
	b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				\boxtimes	
	c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				\boxtimes	
	d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				\boxtimes	
	e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				\boxtimes	
	f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				\boxtimes	
The exiduelling parcels (Refere	<u>Discussion:</u> The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vineyard and a single family dwelling, farm labor dwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land use shall remain unchanged though in three parcels. The nearest off-site residence is over 1,000 linear feet away from any proposed new development. (Reference: General Plan, County Code Chapter 8 & 18, BDR/GIS layers: Napa Airport compatibility zones, city						
bound	aries)					
noise le ground occur. project anticip	a-f) The proposed land division would not result in any short-term temporary increase in noise levels. No construction activities are anticipated to occur. The project would not result in the exposure of persons to or generate noise level in excess of Napa County standards. The proposed project would not result in any generation of excessive groundborne vibrations or groundborne noise levels. No substantial permanent increase in the ambient noise level will occur. Routine vineyard operation and maintenance activities will remain and no change is anticipated. The proposed project site is not located within an airport land use plan or in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, no effects are anticipated with respect to (a-f).						
wiitiga	uon	Measures: none					
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact	
XII.	PO	PULATION AND HOUSING. Would the project:					
	a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				\boxtimes	

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b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				\boxtimes
c) Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				\boxtimes
<u>Discussion:</u> The existing two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vindwelling, two agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land parcels.	•		0	
a-c) The proposed project would not result in a substantial increase There will be no change in the vineyard as the land use. The proposed phousing or people. Any new construction is subject to the County Afford been designated, however, no construction is anticipated. Therefore, no (Reference: General Plan, BDR/GIS layer: roads, County Code Chapters)	project would name and a defects are anti-	ot displace subs impact fee. Two	stantial numb building site	ers of
Mitigation Measures: none				
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XIII. PUBLIC SERVICES. Would the project result in:		incorporation		
a) Substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				
Fire protection?				\boxtimes
Police protection?				\boxtimes
Schools?				\boxtimes
Parks?				\boxtimes
Other public facilities?				\boxtimes
Discussion:				
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(Reference: General Plan, County Code Chapters 8, 13 & 18)				

anticip	ated	with respect to (a).				
<u>Mitiga</u>	tion_	Measures: none				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XIV.	RE	CREATION. Would the project:				
	a)	Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				\boxtimes
	b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				\boxtimes
Discus	sion					
dwellin parcels	ng, tv s. ence:	g two 146.95 acre parcels have about 122 acres planted in vine wo agricultural barns, and a farm management office. That land General Plan, BDR/GIS)	use shall rema	iin unchanged t	hough in thr	ee
a-b) necessi respec	itate	e proposed project is not anticipated to substantially increase tany new construction or expansion of any recreational facilities. a-b).		-		
Mitiga	tion	Measures: none				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XV.	TR	ANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC. Would the project:				
	a)	Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?				
	b)	Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				\boxtimes
	c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that result in substantial safety risks?				\boxtimes

The proposed project is not expected to change any existing level of public services or require any new facilities.

Water is available from an existing well on the property. Services are already provided to the site, there will be no visual change. Property taxes and building permit fees will off set the cost of providing public services. Therefore, no effects are

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d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature, (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?		Incorporation		\boxtimes	
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				\boxtimes	
f)	Result in inadequate parking capacity?				\boxtimes	
g)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				\boxtimes	
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(Reference:	General Plan, County Code)					

a-g) The land division will not increase any level of traffic. The proposed project is not located in an area that would result in substantial safety risk due to air traffic, would not create a significant traffic hazard, or impede any emergency vehicle access. There are potential for new trips associated with the residential development, however this less than significant to the level of service. There no adopted policies, plans or programs supporting alternative transportation that

the proposed project would be in conflict with. Therefore no affects are anticipated with respect to (a-g).

Mitigation Measures: none

XVI.	UT	TLITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
, , , ,	a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
	b)	Require or result in the construction of a new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
	c)	Require or result in the construction of a new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
	d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				\boxtimes
	e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				

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	f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?					
	g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?					
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(Refere	ence:	General Plan, County Code Chapters 8 & 13)					
	vateı	e proposed land division will not result in any expansion need treatment requirement. Water is available from the existing values are to provide such service. Therefore, no significant efforts	well on site. No	expansion of	any other ser		
Mitiga	tion	Measures: none					
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XVII.	MA	ANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE					
	a)	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?			\boxtimes		
	b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?			\boxtimes		
	c)	Does the project have environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?					
a-c) See the above discussion (I-XVI) less than significant effects are anticipated to occur with the proposed land division.							