

Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP)

COUNTY OF NAPA PLANNING, BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT 1195 THIRD ST., SUITE 210 NAPA, CA 94559 (707) 253-4416

Initial Study Checklist (form updated October 2016)

- 1. **Project Title:** Vincent Arroyo Winery, Use Permit Major Modification P16-00327
- Property Owner/Project Sponsor Name and Address: Vincent and Marjorie Arroyo, 2361 Greenwood Avenue, Calistoga, CA 94515
- 3. Representative Name and Address: Matthew and Adrian Moye, 2361 Greenwood Avenue, Calistoga, CA 94515
- 4. County Contact Person, Phone Number, and Email: Emily Hedge; (707) 259-8226; emily.hedge@countyofnapa.org
- 5. **Project Location and APN:** The project is located on a 22.62-acre parcel on the north side of Greenwood Avenue, directly north of the City of Calistoga. 2361 Greenwood Avenue, Calistoga, CA 94515. APN: 017-230-020.
- 6. **General Plan Description**: Agricultural Resource (AR) Designation.
- 7. **Zoning**: Agricultural Preserve (AP).
- 8. Background/Project History:

The parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. Approximately 18 acres are planted in vineyards.

Small Winery Use Permit Exemption – November 17, 1982 it was determined that the proposed winery qualified for a small winery use permit exemption. At the time, a small winery definition limited production capacity to 20,000 gallons per year, and did not permit public tours, wine tastings, sales of winery related items, or public social events.

Permit 97405-UP – On May 6, 1998 the Planning Commission approved the use permit which recognized the existing winery and allowed modifications. The use permit superseded the small winery exemption. The permit recognized the existing 20,000 gallon production level and the existing 3,500 sq. ft. winery building, 1,170 sq. ft. covered outdoor work area, and six parking spaces. The permit allowed a 2,500 sq. ft. barrel storage building, 900 sq. ft. breezeway, 1,750 outdoor work area, six parking spaces, by-appointment tours and tastings, marketing events, and two alternating proprietors.

Permit 98074-MOD – On October 20, 1998 the director approved a use permit modification for the construction of a roof over and existing concrete area for three additional fermentation/wine storage tanks, an entry structure, and a partition wall in the approved but unbuilt wine storage building.

Permit P07-00065-VMM – On April 25, 2007 the director approved a use permit modification for the construction of a 1,500 square foot addition for barrel washing and storage.

Permit P08-00597-VMM – On January 9, 2009 the director approved a use permit modification for the construction of an approximately 900 square foot winery addition for wine storage, an approximately 940 square foot addition to the office area, accessible toilets, and a second stair well.

Permit P13-00259-VMM – On September 6, 2013 the director approved a use permit modification for the construction of a crush pad cover and to permit on-premises consumption in the existing picnic area of the winery.

- 9. **Description of Project:** Approval of a use permit modification to modify an existing 20,000 gallon winery to permit:
 - a) Increase in wine production from 20,000 to 70,000 gallons annually;
 - b) Increase the number of employees to a maximum of 10;
 - c) Change the visitation hours of operation from the existing 9:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. (production hours remain 7:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.);
 - Increase tours and tastings by appointment from 30 persons per day to a maximum of 50 persons per day;

- e) Increase the marketing program to include one 100-person event, three 200-person events, four 130-person events, and twelve 20-person events one events
- f) Allow catering or pre-packaged food for events and tastings;
- g) Allow visitation and marketing events to occur in the existing rose garden;
- h) Seven (7) additional parking spaces for a total of 13 spaces;
- i) Upgrade the existing wastewater system;
- j) Installation of a domestic water system served by a new well;
- k) Widen the existing driveway to meet current Road and Street Standards; and
- l) Remove limitation on custom crush production.

10. Describe the environmental setting and surrounding land uses:

The 22.62-acre parcel is located on the north side of Greenwood Avenue, directly north of the City of Calistoga. The parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. Approximately 18 acres are planted in vineyards. The property is accessed off of a private driveway that only serves the property.

The property is located in the Napa River watershed. Garnett Creek runs through the property, approximately 50 feet north of the winery development. The property is located at approximately 400 feet above mean sea level and is relatively flat (0- 5% slope) throughout the vineyards and winery development area. Slopes exceed 5% along the bank of the creek. The property is made up of a combination of soils including bale loam soils (0-2% slopes) and clear lake clay drained.

Surrounding land uses include rural residential properties, agriculture, vineyards, and wineries. The nearest offsite residences are located approximately 300 feet to the northeast and 300 feet to the west of the winery. The nearest residence in the City of Calistoga is approximately 1,000 feet to the south across Greenwood Avenue.

Other agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement).

Discretionary approvals required by the County consist of a use permit. The project would also require various ministerial approvals by the County, including but not limited to building permits, grading permits, and waste disposal permits. Permits may also be required by the

Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, & Firearms.

Responsible (R) and Trustee (T) Agencies

Other Agencies Contacted

None Required.

12. Tribal Cultural Resources. Have California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the project area requested consultation pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1? If so, has consultation begun?

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, invitation for tribal consultation was completed. A response was received from Middletown Rancheria (Tribe), dated February 21, 2017. No comments were provided, but the Tribe requested contact if new information or evidence of human habitation is found. A response was received from the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation dated April 6, 2017 and additional information was provided on June 2, 2017. The tribe responded with a July 18, 2017, letter that a cultural monitor was not needed, but requested contact if new information or cultural items are found. A condition of approval has been included to require the permittee to contact the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Historic Preservation Department and the Cultural Resources Manager of the Yocha Dehe Nation for consultation in the instance that evidence of archeological artifacts or human remains are found. The consultation was closed.

Note: Conducting consultation early in the CEQA process allows tribal governments, lead agencies, and project proponents to discuss the level of environmental review, identify and address potential adverse impacts to tribal cultural resources, and reduce the potential for delay and conflict in the environmental review process. (See Public Resources Code section 21083.3.2.) Information may also be available from the California Native American Heritage Commission's Sacred Lands File per Public Resources Code section 5097.96 and the California Historical Resources Information System administered by the California Office of Historic Preservation. Please also note that Public Resources Code section 21082.3(c) contains provisions specific to confidentiality.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND BASIS OF CONCLUSIONS:

County of Napa Planning, Building and Environmental Services Department

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, the other sources of information listed in the file, and the comments received, conversations with knowledgeable individuals; the preparer's personal knowledge of the area; and, where necessary, a visit to the site. For further information, see the environmental background information contained in the permanent file on this project.

On the basis of this initial evaluation:	
	icant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be
	ant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case d to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will
be prepared. I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect o I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially s environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately a has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earl REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that r	In the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required. gnificant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the nalyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) ier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT emain_to be addressed.
been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DE	nt effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have CLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or ATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the
Emily Hedge	10/23/17
Emily Hedge, Planner II	Date

I.	AE:	STHETICS. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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	a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?	Ш			
	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	

Less Than

Discussion:

Visual resources are those physical features that make up the environment, including landforms, geological features, water, trees and other plants, and elements of the human cultural landscape. A scenic vista, then, would be a publicly accessible vantage point such as a road, park, trail, or scenic overlook from which distant or landscape-scale views of visually appealing or otherwise important assembly of visual resources can be taken in.

As generally described in the Environmental Setting and Surrounding Land Uses section above, the surrounding land uses include rural residential, agriculture, vineyards, and wineries. The nearest offsite residences are located approximately 300 feet to the northeast and 300 feet to the west of the winery. The parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. Approximately 18 acres are planted in vineyards. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment.

- a-c. The proposed improvements are minor and would not substantially change the existing appearance of the site. The winery is located on Greenwood Avenue, approximately one quarter of a mile from State Highway 29. The site does not have slopes greater than 15%, therefore, the project is not subject to the County's Viewshed Protection Program (County Code Chapter 18.106). The project would not have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista, substantially damage scenic resources, or substantially degrade the visual quality of the site or its surroundings. Impacts would be less than significant.
- d. The project does not propose the installation of any additional lighting fixtures. The applicant is proposing to change hours of operation from the existing 9:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. (production hours remain 7:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Nighttime lighting associated with the daily winery operations and visitation would continue to be limited. Evening marketing events (20 events per year) are proposed to end by 10:00 p.m., excluding quiet clean-up.

Although the project is in an area that has a certain amount of existing nighttime lighting, the extension of daily hours of operation and the increase in number of marketing events may affect nighttime views. Previous Use Permit and Use Permit modification approvals included a condition of approval that all lighting shall be low level and motion sensor controlled if kept on between 7:00 PM and 6:00 AM (Use Permit #97405). Although no new lighting is proposed as part of this modification, pursuant to standard Napa County conditions of approval for wineries, any future outdoor lighting will be required to be shielded and directed downwards, with only low-level lighting allowed in parking areas. As designed, and as subject to the standard condition of approval, below, the project will not have a significant impact resulting from new sources of outside lighting.

6.3 LIGHTING – PLAN SUBMITTAL

a. Two (2) copies of a detailed lighting plan showing the location and specifications for all lighting fixtures to be installed on the property shall be submitted for Planning Division review and approval. All lighting shall comply with the CBC.

b. All exterior lighting, including landscape lighting, shall be shielded and directed downward, shall be located as low to the ground as possible, shall be the minimum necessary for security, safety, or operations; on timers; and shall incorporate the use of motion detection sensors to the greatest extent practical. All lighting shall be shielded or placed such that it does not shine directly on adjacent properties or impact vehicles on adjacent streets. No flood-lighting or sodium lighting of the building is permitted, including architectural highlighting and spotting. Low-level lighting shall be

utilized in parking areas as opposed to elevated high-intensity light standards. Lighting utilized during harvest activities is exempt from this requirement.

4.16 GENERAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE – LIGHTING, LANDSCAPING, PAINTING, OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT STORAGE, AND TRASH ENCLOSURE AREAS

a. All lighting shall be permanently maintained in accordance with the lighting and building plans approved by the County. Lighting utilized during harvest activities is exempt from this requirement.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

II.	AGI	RICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES.1 Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	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?			\boxtimes	
	b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?			\boxtimes	
	c)	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g), timberland as defined in Public Resources Code Section 4526, or timberland zoned Timberland Production as defined in Government Code Section 51104(g)?				\boxtimes
	d)	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use in a manner that will significantly affect timber, aesthetics, fish and wildlife, biodiversity, water quality, recreation, or other public benefits?				\boxtimes
	e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The project site is zoned Agricultural Preserve (AP) which allows a winery upon grant of a use permit. The 22.62-acre parcel is developed with a residence, guest house, and a winery and associated development. Approximately 18 acres are planted in vineyards. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. An estimation of less than 0.10 acre of vineyards will be removed in order to complete the proposed physical improvements for the access road, parking, and fire truck turnaround. The project does not include any tree removal. The improvements will not change the use on the property.

a/b/e. General Plan Agricultural Preservation and Land Use policies AG/LU-2 and AG/LU-13 recognize wineries, and any use consistent with the Winery Definition Ordinance and clearly accessory to a winery, as agriculture. The proposed project would not conflict with existing zoning for agricultural uses. The property has a designation of Prime Farmland (based on GIS layer FMMP Farmlands (2012)). The proposed project would not 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. The

[&]quot;Forest land" is defined by the State as "land that can support 10-percent native tree cover of any species, including hardwoods, under natural conditions, and that allows for management of one or more forest resources, including timber, aesthetics, fish and wildlife, biodiversity, water quality, recreation, and other public benefits." (Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)) The Napa County General Plan anticipates and does not preclude conversion of some "forest land" to agricultural use, and the program-level EIR for the 2008 General Plan Update analyzed the impacts of up to 12,500 acres of vineyard development between 2005 and 2030, with the assumption that some of this development would occur on "forest land." In that analysis specifically, and in the County's view generally, the conversion of forest land to agricultural use would constitute a potentially significant impact only if there were resulting significant impacts to sensitive species, biodiversity, wildlife movement, sensitive biotic communities listed by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, water quality, or other environmental resources addressed in this checklist.

subject parcel is not currently under a Williamson Act contract. There are no other changes included in this proposal that would result in the conversion of Farmland. Impacts would be less than significant.

c/d. The property is zoned for agricultural and not forest or timberland use. The proposed project will not conflict with existing zoning for or cause rezoning of forest land, timberland, or timberland zoned Timberland Production. No impacts would occur.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

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III.	app	QUALITY. Where available, the significance criteria established by the dicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon make the following determinations. Would the project:		·	·	
	a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			\boxtimes	
	b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?			\boxtimes	
	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)?			\boxtimes	
	d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			\boxtimes	
	e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				

Discussion:

On June 2, 2010, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's (BAAQMD) Board of Directors unanimously adopted thresholds of significance to assist in the review of projects under the California Environmental Quality Act. These Thresholds are designed to establish the level at which BAAQMD believed air pollution emissions would cause significant environmental impacts under CEQA and were posted on BAAQMD's website and included in BAAQMD's updated CEQA Guidelines (updated May 2012). The Thresholds are advisory and may be followed by local agencies at their own discretion.

The Thresholds were challenged in court. Following litigation in the trial court, the court of appeal, and the California Supreme Court, all of the Thresholds were upheld. However, in an opinion issued on December 17, 2015, the California Supreme Court held that CEQA does not generally require an analysis of the impacts of locating development in areas subject to environmental hazards unless the project would exacerbate existing environmental hazards. The Supreme Court also found that CEQA requires the analysis of exposing people to environmental hazards in specific circumstances, including the location of development near airports, schools near sources of toxic contamination, and certain exemptions for infill and workforce housing. The Supreme Court also held that public agencies remain free to conduct this analysis regardless of whether it is required by CEQA.

In view of the Supreme Court's opinion, local agencies may rely on Thresholds designed to reflect the impact of locating development near areas of toxic air contamination where such an analysis is required by CEQA or where the agency has determined that such an analysis would assist in making a decision about the project. However, the Thresholds are not mandatory and agencies should apply them only after determining that they reflect an appropriate measure of a project's impacts. These Guidelines may inform environmental review for development projects in the Bay Area, but do not commit local governments or BAAQMD to any specific course of regulatory action.

BAAQMD published a new version of the Guidelines dated May 2017, which includes revisions made to address the Supreme Court's opinion. The May 2017 Guidelines update does not address outdated references, links, analytical methodologies or other technical information that may be in the Guidelines or Thresholds Justification Report. The Air District is currently working to revise any outdated information in the Guidelines as part of its update to the CEQA Guidelines and thresholds of significance.

a-c. The mountains bordering Napa Valley block much of the prevailing northwesterly winds throughout the year. Sunshine is plentiful in Napa County, and summertime can be very warm in the valley, particularly in the northern end. Winters are usually mild, with cool temperatures overnight and mild-to-moderate temperatures during the day. Wintertime temperatures tend to be slightly cooler in the northern end of the

valley. Winds are generally calm throughout the county. Annual precipitation averages range from about 24 inches in low elevations to more than 40 inches in the mountains.

Ozone and fine particle pollution, or PM2.5, are the major regional air pollutants of concern in the San Francisco Bay Area. Ozone is primarily a problem in the summer, and fine particle pollution in the winter. In Napa County, ozone rarely exceeds health standards, but PM2.5 occasionally does reach unhealthy concentrations. There are multiple reasons for PM2.5 exceedances in Napa County. First, much of the county is wind-sheltered, which tends to trap PM2.5 within the Napa Valley. Second, much of the area is well north of the moderating temperatures of San Pablo Bay and, as a result, Napa County experiences some of the coldest nights in the Bay Area. This leads to greater fireplace use and, in turn, higher PM2.5 levels. Finally, in the winter easterly winds often move fine-particle-laden air from the Central Valley to the Carquinez Strait and then into western Solano and southern Napa County (BAAQMD, *In Your Community: Napa County*, April 2016).

The impacts associated with implementation of the Project were evaluated consistent with guidance provided by BAAQMD. Ambient air quality standards have been established by state and federal environmental agencies for specific air pollutants most pervasive in urban environments. These pollutants are referred to as criteria air pollutants because the standards established for them were developed to meet specific health and welfare criteria set forth in the enabling legislation. The criteria air pollutants emitted by development, traffic and other activities anticipated under the proposed development include ozone, ozone precursors oxides of nitrogen and reactive organic gases (NOx and ROG), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide (NO2), and suspended particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5). Other criteria pollutants, such as lead and sulfur dioxide (SO2), would not be substantially emitted by the proposed development or traffic, and air quality standards for them are being met throughout the Bay Area.

BAAQMD has not officially recommended the use of its thresholds in CEQA analyses and CEQA ultimately allows lead agencies the discretion to determine whether a particular environmental impact would be considered significant, as evidenced by scientific or other factual data. BAAQMD also states that lead agencies need to determine appropriate air quality thresholds to use for each project they review based on substantial evidence that they include in the administrative record of the CEQA document. One resource BAAQMD provides as a reference for determining appropriate thresholds is the *California Environmental Quality Act Air Quality Guidelines* developed by its staff in 2010 and as updated through May 2017. These guidelines outline substantial evidence supporting a variety of thresholds of significance.

As mentioned above, in 2010, the BAAQMD adopted and later incorporated into its 2011 CEQA Guidelines project screening criteria (Table 3-1 – Operational-Related Criteria Air Pollutant and Precursors Screening Level Sizes) and thresholds of significance for air pollutants, which have now been updated by BAAQMD through May 2017. The existing winery buildings are approximately 9,500 square feet of floor area inclusive of a 930 square foot tasting room. When compared to the BAAQMD's operational criteria pollutant screening size of 541,000 square feet for general light industrial, and compared to the BAAQMD's screening criterion of 47,000 square feet for a high quality restaurant, the project would not significantly impact air quality and does not require further study (BAAQMD CEQA Guidelines, May 2017 Pages 3-2 & 3-3.). Given the size of the entire project, which is approximately 9,500 square feet of floor area inclusive of a 930 square foot tasting room, compared to the BAAQMD's screening criterion of 47ksf (high quality restaurant) and 541ksf (general light industry) for NOx (oxides of nitrogen), the project would contribute an insignificant amount of air pollution and would not result in a conflict or obstruction of an air quality plan. (Please note: a high quality restaurant is considered comparable to a winery tasting room for purposes of evaluating air pollutant emissions, but grossly overstates emissions associated with other portions of a winery, such as office, barrel storage and production, which generate fewer vehicle trips. Therefore, a general light industry comparison has also been used for other such uses.)

The project falls well below the screening criteria as noted above, and consequently will not significantly affect air quality individually or contribute considerably to any cumulative air quality impacts.

d. In the short term, potential air quality impacts are most likely to result from earthmoving and construction activities required for site improvements. Earthmoving and construction emissions would have a temporary effect; consisting mainly of dust generated during grading activities and exhaust emissions from construction related equipment and vehicles. Site grading spoils will be disposed of on-site as fill within the parking area. The Air District recommends incorporating feasible control measures as a means of addressing construction impacts. If the proposed project adheres to these relevant best management practices identified by the Air District and the County's standard conditions of project approval, construction-related impacts will not expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations and are considered less than significant:

7.1 SITE IMPROVEMENTS

c. AIR QUALITY

During all construction activities the permittee shall comply with the most current version of BAAQMD Basic Construction Best Management Practices including but not limited to the following, as applicable:

1. Post a publicly visible sign with the telephone number and person to contact at the lead agency regarding dust complaints. The BAAQMD's phone number shall also be visible.

- 2. Water all exposed surfaces (e.g., parking areas, staging areas, soil piles, grading areas, and unpaved access roads) two times per day.
- 3. Cover all haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material off-site.
- 4. Remove all visible mud or dirt traced onto adjacent public roads by using wet power vacuum street sweepers at least once per day. The use of dry power sweeping is prohibited.
- 5. All vehicle speeds on unpaved roads shall be limited to 15 mph.
- 6. All roadways, driveways, and sidewalks to be paved shall be completed as soon as possible. Building pads shall be laid as soon as possible after grading unless seeding or soil binders are used.
- 7. Idling times shall be minimized either by shutting off equipment when not in use or reducing the maximum idling time to five (5) minutes (as required by State Regulations). Clear signage shall be provided for construction workers at all access points.
- 8. All construction equipment shall be maintained and properly tuned in accordance with manufacturer's specifications. All equipment shall be checked by a certified visible emissions evaluator. Any portable engines greater than 50 horsepower or associated equipment operated within the BAAQMD's jurisdiction shall have either a California Air Resources Board (ARB) registration Portable Equipment Registration Program (PERP) or a BAAQMD permit. For general information regarding the certified visible emissions evaluator or the registration program, visit the ARB FAQ http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/portable/perp/perpfact_04-16-15.pdf or the PERP website http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable/portable.htm.

Furthermore, while earthmoving and construction on the site will generate dust particulates in the short-term, the impact would be less than significant with dust control measures as specified in Napa County's standard condition of approval relating to dust:

7.1 SITE IMPROVEMENTS

b. DUST CONTROL

Water and/or dust palliatives shall be applied in sufficient quantities during grading and other ground disturbing activities on-site to minimize the amount of dust produced. Outdoor construction activities shall not occur when average wind speeds exceed 20 mph.

e. While the Air District defines public exposure to offensive odors as a potentially significant impact, wineries are not known operational producers of pollutants capable of causing substantial negative impacts to sensitive receptors. Surrounding land uses include rural residential properties, agriculture, vineyards, and wineries. The nearest offsite residences are located approximately 300 feet to the northeast and 300 feet to the west of the winery. Construction-phase pollutants will be reduced to a less than significant level by the above-noted standard condition of approval. The project will not create pollutant concentrations or objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

IV.	BIO	LOGICAL 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?			<u> </u>	
	b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or		Ш		
	c)	by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service? 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	

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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 22.62-acre parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. The remaining 18 acres of the parcel are planted in vineyards. Garnett Creek runs through the property in a southwesterly direction. There is an approximately 50 foot setback between the creek and the existing winery development. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. The proposed physical improvements are limited to areas already developed with winery structures and improvements or planted in vineyards and no tree removal is required. The proposed improvements would take place south of the existing development and will not impact the riparian area around the creek.

- a./d. As noted in the discussion, physical improvements would be limited to areas previously disturbed by construction or vineyard planting. The proposed project will not disturb natural habitat or have a substantial adverse effect 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. The proposed improvements would not interfere 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. The potential for this project to have an impact on special status species is less than significant.
- b./c. The proposed improvements would take place south of the existing development and will not impact the riparian area around the creek. The project will not 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. The potential for this project to have an impact on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community is less than significant.

According to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (based on the following layers – wetlands (NWI) and wetlands & vernal pools) there are no wetlands on the property or neighboring properties that would be affected by this project. The potential for this project to have an impact on federally protected wetlands is less than significant.

e/f. The proposed project would not conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plans, Natural Community Conservation Plans or other approved local, regional or state habitat conservation plans. The project does not conflict with any County ordinance or requirement to preserve existing trees, and therefore is considered as not having potential for a significant impact.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

V. CU	LTURAL 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?				\boxtimes
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 dedicated cemeteries?				

Discussion:

a-c. According to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (based on the following layers – Cultural Resources: Historical sites, Historical Sites – Lines, Arch sensitive areas, Arch sites, Arch surveys) no historical or paleontological resources, sites or unique geological features, or archaeologic resources have been identified on the property.

The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. The proposed physical improvements are limited to areas already developed with winery structures and improvements or planted in vineyards and no tree removal is required. Therefore it is unlikely that cultural resources would be present at the proposed site. However, if resources are found during any earth disturbing activities associated with the project, construction of the project is required to cease, and a qualified archaeologist will be retained to investigate the site in accordance with the following standard condition of approval. The proposed project will not have a significant impact on any historical resource, archaeological resource, paleontological resource or site or unique geological feature.

7.2 ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDING

In the event that archeological artifacts or human remains are discovered during construction, work shall cease in a 50-foot radius surrounding the area of discovery. The permittee shall contact the PBES Department for further guidance, which will likely include the requirement for the permittee to hire a qualified professional to analyze the artifacts encountered and to determine if additional measures are required.

If human remains are encountered during project development, all work in the vicinity must be halted, and the Napa County Coroner informed, so that the Coroner can determine if an investigation of the cause of death is required, and if the remains are of Native American origin, the permittee shall comply with the requirements of Public Resources Code Section 5097.98.

An additional condition of approval has been included to require the permittee to contact the Middletown Rancheria Tribal Historic Preservation Department and the Cultural Resources Manager of the Yocha Dehe Nation for consultation in the instance that evidence of archeological artifacts or human remains are found.

d. No human remains have been encountered on the property and no information has been encountered that would indicate that this project would encounter human remains. Most construction activities would occur on previously disturbed portions of the site. However, if resources are found during grading of the project, construction of the project is required to cease, and a qualified archaeologist will be retained to investigate the site in accordance with standard condition of approval noted above. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

				Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VI.	GE	0L0(GY AND SOILS. Would the project:		incorporation	impact	
	a)		cose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including 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)	Res	sult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			\boxtimes	
	c)	uns	located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become stable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site delide lateral spreading subsidence liquefaction or collapse?				

C	Be located on expansive soil creating substantial risks to life or property? Expansive soil is defined as soil having an expansive index greater than 20, as determined in accordance with ASTM (American Society of Testing and Materials) D 4829.	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
€	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 22.62-acre parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. The remaining 18 acres of the parcel are planted in vineyards. Garnett Creek runs through the property in a southwesterly direction. There is an approximately 50 foot setback between the creek and the existing winery development. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. The proposed physical improvements are limited to areas already developed with existing winery structures and improvements or areas planted in vineyards. The project does not include construction of any new structures. No tree removal is required.

a. The areas of the property to be disturbed for the improvements are generally flat and under five percent. Given that the area of disturbance is predominantly flat and located on the valley floor, soil movement and erosion potential is anticipated to be low (by contrast, higher erosion potential is anticipated in areas of steep slopes or more moderate slopes with loose, sandy soils). The property also has a low landslide potential, as identified on landslide risk maps produced by the California Department of Conservation and Association of Bay Area Governments.

Although regional maps of liquefaction risk indicate that the property is within an area of "high" liquefaction potential with areas along the creek having a "very high" liquefaction potential, no improvements are proposed adjacent to the creek and all proposed improvements will be reviewed by the appropriate County divisions to ensure compliance with County and State regulations.

The property is not located within any Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone designated by the State Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology. Although no fault zone underlies the property, the site is generally located within a region of active fault zones, including those of the Berryessa, Concord, Great Valley, North Hayward, Mayacama, Rodgers Creek, San Andreas and West Napa faults. Movement along any of these faults is anticipated to result in intensities of VII and VIII on the Modified Mercalli Scale at the project site; these "very strong" to "severe" intensities would be felt by most people and are likely to result in some damage to well-built structures. However, no structures proposed for human occupancy are proposed with the project.

The applicant has building permits for all structures on the property, and any future construction on site will be required to comply with all the latest building standards and codes, including the California Building Code. The proposed changes to the winery site would not expose people or structures to increased potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death; potential impacts would be less than significant level.

- b. Based on the applicant submitted Project Guidance for Stormwater Quality Compliance, the proposed improvements are estimated to disturb approximately 800 square feet of soil. The proposed project will require incorporation of best management practices and will be subject to the Napa County Stormwater Ordinance, which addresses sediment and erosion control measures and dust control, as applicable. Impacts would be less than significant.
- c/d. Based on the Napa County Environmental Sensitivity Maps (layer Soil types) the property is made up of a combination of soils including clear lake clay drained and bale loam (0 to 2 percent slopes). According to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (based on the following layers Surficial Deposits, Geology), the property is underlain by Holocene alluvium-undifferentiated deposits in the vineyards, with Holocene channel deposits along the creek banks. Based on the Napa County Environmental Sensitivity Maps (layer liquefaction) the property is generally subject to a "high" tendency to liquefy with areas along the creek having a "very high" liquefaction potential. No improvements are proposed adjacent to the creek and all proposed improvements will be reviewed by the appropriate County divisions to ensure compliance with County and State regulations. Potential impacts would be less than significant level.
- e. Wastewater from the existing sources (winery, main residence, and guest cottage) are currently treated by separate septic tanks and combined in a pump tank for conveyance to a gravity dispersal via trenches located in the vineyards adjacent to the winery building. Delta Consulting & Engineering prepared a Septic Feasibility Report, dated June 8, 2016, to evaluate the feasibility of treating and disposing the

additional wastewater flows generated by the proposed increase in production and marketing. The proposed increase in employees and visitation and the increase in production would result in an increase of domestic wastewater from 150 gallons per day (GPD) to 400 GPD and an increase of process wastewater from 667 GPD to 1,750 GPD. The report proposes two wastewater system options. Option #1 would modify the existing system to accommodate additional flows, by connecting the domestic water to the existing system and installing a new process wastewater pressure distribution system. Option #2 would continue to use the existing system for all sources of domestic wastewater and install a new winery process wastewater treatment system.

The onsite wastewater system for either option would be designed for the peak winery process and domestic wastewater flows along with the existing residential uses. The study concludes that the proposed increased winery wastewater disposal needs can be accommodated onsite. The Napa County Environmental Health Division has reviewed the report and concurred with their conclusion. Full design calculations and construction plans will be prepared in accordance with Napa County standards at the time of building permit application submittal. No information has been encountered that would indicate a substantial impact to water quality. Potential impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

VII.	GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Generate a net increase in greenhouse gas emissions in excess of applicable thresholds adopted by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District or the California Air Resources Board which may have a significant impact on the environment?				
b)	Conflict with a county-adopted climate action plan or another applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

Napa County has been working to develop a Climate Action Plan (CAP) for several years. In 2012, a Draft CAP (March 2012) was recommended using the emissions checklist in the Draft CAP, on a trial basis, to determine potential greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with project development and operation. At the December 11, 2012, Napa County Board of Supervisors (BOS) hearing, the BOS considered adoption of the proposed CAP. In addition to reducing Napa County's GHG emissions, the proposed plan was intended to address compliance with CEQA for projects reviewed by the County and to lay the foundation for development of a local offset program. While the BOS acknowledged the plan's objectives, the BOS requested that the CAP be revised to better address transportation-related greenhouse gas, to acknowledge and credit past accomplishments and voluntary efforts, and to allow more time for establishment of a cost-effective local offset program. The Board also requested that best management practices be applied and considered when reviewing projects until a revised CAP is adopted to ensure that projects address the County's policy goal related to reducing GHG emissions.

In July 2015, the County re-commenced preparation of the CAP to: i) account for present day conditions and modeling assumptions (such as but not limited to methods, emission factors, and data sources), ii) address the concerns with the previous CAP effort as outlined above, iii) meet applicable State requirements, and iv) result in a functional and legally defensible CAP. On April 13, 2016 the County, as the part of the first phase of development and preparation of the CAP, released Final Technical Memorandum #1: 2014 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Forecast, April 13, 2016. This initial phase included: i) updating the unincorporated County's community-wide GHG emissions inventory to 2014, and ii) preparing new GHG emissions forecasts for the 2020, 2030, and 2050 horizons. Additional information on the County CAP can be obtained at the Napa County Department of Planning, Building and Environmental Services or http://www.countyofnapa.org/CAP/.

a/b. Overall increases in Greenhouse Gas (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 in that document, despite the adoption of mitigation measures incorporating specific policies and action items into the General Plan.

Consistent with these General Plan action items, Napa County participated in the development of a community-wide GHG emissions inventory and "emission reduction framework" for all local jurisdictions in the County in 2008-2009. This planning effort was completed by

the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency in December 2009, and served as the basis for development of a refined inventory and emission reduction plan for unincorporated Napa County.

In 2011, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) released California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Project Screening Criteria and Significance of Thresholds [1,100 metric tons per year (MT) of carbon dioxide and carbon dioxide equivalents (CO2e)]. This threshold of significance is appropriate for evaluating projects in Napa County.

During our ongoing planning effort, the County requires project applicants to consider methods to reduce GHG emissions consistent with Napa County General Plan Policy CON-65(e). (Note: Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15183, because this initial study assesses a project that is consistent with an adopted General Plan for which an environmental impact report (EIR) was prepared, it appropriately focuses on impacts which are "peculiar to the project," rather than the cumulative impacts previously assessed.)

For the purposes of this analysis potential GHG emissions associated with winery 'construction' and 'development' and with 'ongoing' winery operations have been discussed.

GHGs are the atmospheric gases whose absorption of solar radiation is responsible for the greenhouse effect, including carbon dioxide, methane, ozone, and the fluorocarbons, that contribute to climate change (a widely accepted theory/science explain human effects on the atmosphere). Carbon Dioxide (CO2) gas, the principal greenhouse gas (GHG) being emitted by human activities, and whose concentration in the atmosphere is most affected by human activity, also serves as the reference gas to compare other greenhouse gases. Agricultural sources of carbon emissions include forest clearing, land-use changes, biomass burning, and farm equipment and management activity emissions (http://www.climatechange.ca.gov/glossary/letter_c.html). Equivalent Carbon Dioxide (CO2e) is the most commonly reported type of GHG emission and a way to get one number that approximates total emissions from all the different gasses that contribute to GHG (BAAMD CEQA Air Quality Guidelines, May 2017). In this case, carbon dioxide (CO2) is used as the reference atom/compound to obtain atmospheric carbon CO2 effects of GHG. Carbon stocks are converted to carbon dioxide equivalents (CO2e) by multiplying the carbon total by 44/12 (or 3.67), which is the ratio of the atomic mass of a carbon dioxide molecule to the atomic mass of a carbon atom (http://www.nciasi2.org/COLE/index.html).

One time "Construction Emissions" associated with a winery development project include: i) the carbon stocks that are lost (or released) when existing vegetation is removed and soil is ripped in preparation for a new winery structure and associated infrastructure; and ii) emissions associated with the energy used to develop and prepare the project area and construct a winery, including construction equipment and worker vehicle trips (hereinafter referred to as Equipment Emissions). These emissions also include underground carbon stocks (or Soil carbon) associated with any existing vegetation that is proposed to be removed. As previously stated, the existing winery buildings are approximately 9,500 square feet of floor area inclusive of a 930 square foot tasting area. The project does not include construction of any new structures. An estimation of less than 0.10 acre of vineyards will be removed in order to complete the proposed physical improvements for the access road, parking, and fire truck turnaround.

In addition to the one time Construction Emissions, "Operational Emissions" of the winery are also considered and include: i) any reduction in the amount of carbon sequestered by existing vegetation that is removed as part of the project compared to a "no project" scenario (hereinafter referred to as Operational Sequestration Emissions); and ii) ongoing emissions from the energy used to maintain and operate the winery, including vehicle trips associated with employee and visitor trips (hereinafter referred to as Operational Emissions). See Section XVI, Transportation/Traffic, for anticipated number of operational trips. Operational Emissions from the proposed winery would be the primary source of emissions over the long-term when compared to one time construction emissions.

As discussed in the Air Quality section of this Initial Study, in 2010, the BAAQMD adopted and later incorporated into its 2011 CEQA Guidelines project screening criteria (Table 3-1 – Criteria Air Pollutants and Precursors & GHG Screening Level Sizes) and thresholds of significance for air pollutants, including GHG emissions, which have now been updated by BAAQMD through May 2017. The existing approximately 9,500 square feet of floor area inclusive of a 930 square foot tasting area, when compared to the BAAQMD's GHG screening criteria of 121,000 square feet for general industrial, and compared to the BAAQMD's screening criterion of 9,000 square feet for high quality restaurant, the project was determined not to exceed the 1,100 MT of CO2e/yr GHG threshold of significance.

Furthermore, the applicant has indicated that the project will continue to incorporate the following voluntary best management practices: generation of on-site renewable energy (solar panels in use since 2006); vehicle miles traveled reduction plan including bike riding incentives and bus transportation for large marketing events; energy conserving lighting; and water efficient landscaping. Additional items are included in the Voluntary Best Management Practices Checklist for Development Projects form included with the Use Permit Application.

The proposed project has been evaluated against the BAAQMD thresholds and determined that the project would not exceed the 1,100 MT/yr of CO2e. Greenhouse Gas Emission reductions from local programs and project level actions, such as application of the Cal Green Building Code, vehicle fuel efficiency standards, and the project-specific on-site programs identified above would combine to further reduce emissions below BAAQMD thresholds.

As indicated above the County is currently preparing a CAP and as the part of the first phase of development and preparation of the CAP has released Final Technical Memorandum #1 (2014 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Forecast, April 13, 2016). Table 1 of the Technical Memorandum indicates that 2% of the County's GHG emissions in 2014 were a result of land use change.

The increase in emissions expected as a result of the project would be relatively modest and the project is in compliance with the County's efforts to reduce emissions as described above. For these reasons, project impacts related to GHG emissions are considered less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

VIII. HA	ZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
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?				
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?				\boxtimes
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:

- a/b. The proposed project will not involve the transport of hazardous materials other than those small amounts normally used in winery operations. A Business Plan will be filed with the Environmental Health Division should the amount of hazardous materials reach reportable levels. However, in the event that the proposed use or a future use involves the use, storage, or transportation of greater the 55 gallons or 500 pounds of hazardous materials, a use permit and subsequent environmental assessment would be required in accordance with the Napa County Zoning Ordinance prior to the establishment of the use. There are no foreseeable reasons the project would result in the release of hazardous materials into the environment. Given the quantities of hazardous materials and the limited duration, they will result in a less-than-significant impact.
- c. There are no schools located within one-quarter mile from the proposed project site. No impacts would occur.

- d. The project site is not on any known list of hazardous materials sites. No impacts would occur.
- e-f. The project site is not located within two miles of any public airport or within the vicinity of any private airports. No impacts would occur.
- g. The proposed project will not impair the implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or evacuation plan. No impacts would occur.
- h. According to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps the project is not located in the wildland urban interface. The property and surrounding areas are developed with residential, agricultural uses, and vineyards. The project would comply with current California Department of Forestry and California Building Code requirements for fire safety. The project would not increase exposure of people and/or structures to a significant loss, injury or death involving wild land fires. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
IX.	HYE	DROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would the project:			F · · · ·	
	a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?			\boxtimes	
	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?			\boxtimes	
	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?				
	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	
	h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?			\boxtimes	
	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?				\boxtimes

Discussion:

On January 14, 2014, Governor Jerry Brown declared a drought emergency in the state of California. That declaration was followed up on April 1, 2015, when the Governor directed the State Water Resources Control Board to implement mandatory water reductions in cities and town across California to reduce water usage by 25 percent. These water restrictions do not apply to agricultural users. However, on April 7, 2017, Governor Jerry Brown signed an executive order lifting California's drought emergency in all but four counties (Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Tuolumne). The County of Napa had not adopted or implemented any additional mandatory water use restrictions. The County requires all Use Permit applicants to

complete necessary water analyses in order to document that sufficient water supplies are available for the proposed project and to implement water saving measures to prepare for periods of limited water supply and to conserve limited groundwater resources.

In general, recent studies have found that groundwater levels in the Napa Valley Floor exhibit stable long-term trends with a shallow depth to water. Historical trends in the Milliken-Sarco-Tulucay (MST) area, however, have shown increasing depths to groundwater, but recent stabilization in many locations. Groundwater availability, recharge, storage and yield is not consistent across the County. More is known about the resource where historical data have been collected. Less is known in areas with limited data or unknown geology. In order to fill existing data gaps and to provide a better understanding of groundwater resources in the County, the Napa County Groundwater Monitoring Plan recommended 18 Areas of Interest for additional groundwater level and water quality monitoring. Through the well owner and public outreach efforts of the Groundwater Resources Advisory Committee (GRAC) approximately 40 new wells have been added to the monitoring program within these areas. Groundwater Sustainability Objectives were recommended by the GRAC and adopted by the Board of Supervisors. The recommendations included the goal of developing sustainability objectives, provided a definition, explained the shared responsibility for Groundwater Sustainability and the important role monitoring as a means to achieving groundwater sustainability.

In 2009 Napa County began a comprehensive study of its groundwater resources to meet identified action items in the County's 2008 General Plan update. The study, by Luhdorff and Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE), emphasized developing a sound understanding of groundwater conditions and implementing an expanded groundwater monitoring and data management program as a foundation for integrated water resources planning and dissemination of water resources information. The 2011 baseline study by LSCE, which included over 600 wells and data going back over 50 years, concluded that "the groundwater levels in Napa County are stable, except for portions of the MST district". Most wells elsewhere within the Napa Valley Floor with a sufficient record indicate that groundwater levels are more affected by climatic conditions, are within historical levels, and seem to recover from dry periods during subsequent wet or normal periods. The LSCE Study also concluded that, on a regional scale, there appear to be no current groundwater quality issues except north of Calistoga (mostly naturally occurring boron and trace metals) and in the Carneros region (mostly salinity).

Minimum thresholds for water use have been established by the Napa County Department of Public Works, using reports by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the studies prepared by LSCE. These reports are the result of water resources investigations performed by the USGS in cooperation with the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. Any project which reduces water usage or any water usage which is at or below the established threshold is assumed not to have a significant effect on groundwater levels.

a. The total number of users (combined employees, visitors, and residents and/or the total number of employees and residents) proposed with this project exceeds 25 on a peak day, therefore the water supply and related components serving the facility will have to comply with the California State Drinking Water Act and Related Laws. Haling and Associates prepared a Water System Feasibility Report, dated December 8, 2016, for a new transient non-community water system to serve the winery and determined that a new well will be required to serve the system. The report proposes a new well in the rose garden. The applicant will be required to get all associated Environmental Health and Building Division permits.

Delta Consulting & Engineering prepared a Septic Feasibility Report, dated June 8, 2016, to evaluate the feasibility of treating and disposing the additional wastewater flows generated by the proposed increase in production and marketing. The onsite wastewater systems for both options would be designed for the peak winery process and domestic wastewater flows along with the existing residential uses. The study concludes that the proposed increased winery wastewater disposal needs can be accommodated onsite. The Napa County Environmental Health Division has reviewed the report and concurred with their conclusion. Full design calculations and construction plans will be prepared in accordance with Napa County standards at the time of building permit application submittal. The proposed project is not expected to violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. Any earth disturbing activities will be subject to the County's Stormwater Ordinance which complies with State requirements, would include measures to prevent erosion, sediment, and waste materials from entering waterways both during and after any construction activities. By following the above mentioned measures the project does not have the potential to significantly impact water quality and discharge standards. Potential impacts would be less than significant.

b. For this project a Water Availability Analysis was prepared by Delta Consulting & Engineering (Initial submittal: June 8, 2016; Revision #1: September 5, 2017) to determine the estimated water use of the existing development and proposed project. The parcel is located in "Napa Valley Floor" Region. The Water Use Criteria of the WAA guidelines allows 1 acre-foot of water per acre per year for parcels located on the "Napa Valley Floor". The subject parcel is approximately 22 acres in size; therefore the parcel is allowed the use of 22 acre-feet of water per year.

Existing water usage consists of a main residence, guest cottage, vineyards, and a 20,000 gallon winery with visitation and marketing. Residential uses on the property, estimated at 0.75 acre-feet of water per year, will not change as a result of the proposed project. The winery dry farms the approximately 18 acres of vineyards and utilizes a wind machine for frost protection; therefore, the vineyards are estimated to use zero acre-feet of water per year. Winery related water uses would increase with the proposed increase in production, employees, visitation, and marketing.

Tier 1 Analysis

According to the analysis, the winery would create an increase in annual water demand, from 0.688 acre-feet per year to 2.217 acre-feet per year, totaling an approximate increase of 1.529 acre-feet per year.

Usage Type	Existing	Proposed
	Acre feet per Year	Acre feet per Year
Winery process	0.430	1.505
Winery domestic	0.1	0.350
Winery employees	0.046	0.143
Winery visitation	0.097	0.161
Marketing event	NA	0.002
Open House/Dinner/Harvest Party	0.015	0.056
Total	0.688	2.217

Since the proposed winery water use of 2.217 acre-feet per year is less than the calculated availability of 22 acre-feet per year, the project complies with the Napa County Water Availability Analysis requirements. A Tier 2 and Tier 3 analysis are not required.

In response to regional drought and the general statewide need to protect groundwater resources, the Governor enacted new legislation requiring local governments to monitor and management groundwater resources. Napa County's prior work on the Napa Valley Groundwater Management Plan provides a strong foundation for Napa County to comply with this State mandated monitoring and management objective. As a direct result, the project site is now subject to this new legislation requiring local agencies to monitor groundwater use. Assembly Bill - AB 1739 by Assembly member Roger Dickinson (D-Sacramento) and Senate Bills 1168 and 1319 by Senator Fran Pavley (D-Agoura Hills) establish a framework for sustainable, local groundwater management for the first time in California history. The legislation requires local agencies to tailor sustainable groundwater plans to their regional economic and environmental needs. The legislation prioritizes groundwater basin management Statewide, which includes the Napa Valley/Napa River Drainage Basin, and sets a timeline for implementation of the following:

- By 2017, local groundwater management agencies must be identified;
- By 2020, overdrafted groundwater basins must have sustainability plans;
- By 2022, other high and medium priority basins not currently in overdraft must have sustainability plans; and
- By 2040, all high and medium priority groundwater basins must achieve sustainability.

The State has classified the Napa River Drainage Basin as a medium priority resource. Additionally, the legislation provides measurable objectives and milestones to reach sustainability and a State role of limited intervention when local agencies are unable or unwilling to adopt sustainable management plans. Napa County supports this legislation and has begun the process of developing a local groundwater management agency which is anticipated to be in place and functioning within the timeline prescribed by the State.

The proposed project would not result in a substantial increase in the demand of ground water supplies or interfere with groundwater recharge or lowering of the local groundwater level. According to Napa County environmental resource mapping (*Water Deficient Areas/Storage Areas*), the project site is not located within a water deficient area and the County is not aware of, nor has it received any reports of groundwater deficiencies in the area. Potential impacts from the project would be less than significant.

c-e. Garnett Creek runs through the property in a southwesterly direction. There is an approximately 50 foot setback between the creek and the existing winery development. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. The proposed physical improvements are limited to areas already developed with existing winery structures and improvements or areas planted in vineyards. The project does not include construction of any new structures. No tree removal is required. Based on the applicant submitted Project Guidance for Stormwater Quality Compliance, the proposed improvements are estimated to disturb approximately 800 square feet of soil.

The project proposal will not substantially alter any drainage patterns on site or cause an increase in erosion on or off site. All earth disturbing activities will be subject to the County's Stormwater Ordinance which would include measures to prevent erosion, sediment, and waste materials from entering waterways both during and after any construction activities. Given the County's Best Management Practices, which comply with RWQCB requirements, the project does not have the potential to significantly impact water quality and discharge standards. Potential impacts would be less than significant.

f. The proposed project would implement standard stormwater quality treatment controls to treat runoff prior to discharge from the project site. The incorporation of these features into the project would ensure that the proposed project would not create substantial sources of polluted runoff. As discussed above, the Division of Environmental Health has reviewed the application and determined that the proposed

- sanitary wastewater systems are adequate to serve the facility's septic needs. In addition, the proposed project does not have any unusual characteristics that create sources of pollution that would degrade water quality. Impacts would be less than significant.
- g-i. According to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (based on the following layer Flood Zones) the parcel is not located in a flood zone. The parcel is not within a dam levee inundation area (based on the following layer Dam Levee Inundation). The winery development would not impede or redirect flood flows or expose structures or people to flooding. Potential impacts from the project would be less than significant.
- j. In coming years, higher global temperatures are expected to raise sea level by expanding ocean water, melting mountain glaciers and small ice caps, and causing portions of Greenland and the Antarctic ice sheets to melt. The Intergovernmental panel on Climate change estimates that the global average sea level will rise between 0.6 and 2 feet over the next century (IPCC, 2007). The property is located at approximately 400 feet above mean sea level. There is no known history of landslides or mud flow on the property. The project will not subject people or structures to a significant risk of inundation by tsunamis, seiche, or mudflows. Impacts would be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None.

X.	Ι ΔΙ	ND USE AND PLANNING. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Λ.	a) b)	Physically divide an established community? Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency				\boxtimes
		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?				\boxtimes
	c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				\boxtimes

Discussion:

- a. The parcel is located on the north side of Greenwood Avenue, directly north of the City of Calistoga. Parcels on the north side of Greenwood Avenue are dominated by agricultural uses and residences. One winery is located across the street in the City of Calistoga. The project is in support of the ongoing agricultural use in the area. The proposed modifications to the existing winery will not divide an established community. No impacts would occur.
- b. The parcel General Plan land use designation of AR (Agricultural Resource), allows "agriculture, processing of agricultural products, and single-family dwellings." General Plan Agricultural Preservation and Land Use Policy AG/LU-2 recognize wineries and other agricultural processing facilities, and any use clearly accessory to those facilities, as agriculture. The project site is zoned Agricultural Preserve, which allows wineries upon grant of a use permit. In 1982 it was determined that the proposed winery qualified for a small winery use permit exemption. In 1998 the Planning Commission approved the use permit 97405-UP which recognized the existing winery and permitted modifications. The use permit superseded the small winery exemption.

The County has adopted the Winery Definition Ordinance (WDO) to protect agriculture and open space and to regulate winery development and expansion in a manner that avoids potential negative environmental effects. The proposed project is compliant with the use limitations of the Napa County Zoning Ordinance. Agricultural Preservation and Land Use Goal AG/LU-1 of the 2008 General Plan states that the County shall, "preserve existing agricultural land uses and plan for agriculture and related activities as the primary land uses in Napa County." The project would modify the existing winery and allow for the continuation of agriculture as a dominant land use within the county and is fully consistent with the Napa County General Plan. No impacts would occur.

c. There are no applicable habitat conservation plans or natural community conservation plans applicable to the property. No impacts would occur.

Mitigation Measures: None required.

XI.	MIN	IERAL RESOURCES. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
7(1.						
	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
Discuss	ion:					
a/b.	rec Co	torically, the two most valuable mineral commodities in Napa County in ently, building stone and aggregate have become economically valuable unty Baseline Data Report (<i>Mines and Mineral Deposits</i> , BDR Figure 2-2) ally important mineral resource recovery sites located on or near the project	Mines and Minera indicates that there	l Deposits mappir are no known mi	ng included in	the Napa
<u>Mitigati</u>	on M	easures: None required.				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XII.	NO	ISE. Would the project result in:		incorporation	impuct	
	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?				
	b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
	c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
	d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
	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?				
	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?				
Discuss	ion:					
a/b.	res apprela ger be res be	e project will result in a temporary increase in noise levels during limited playing thours using properly muffled vehicles. Noise generated during this timult in potentially significant temporary construction noise impacts or oper proximately 300 feet to the northeast and 300 feet to the west of the winer stively low potential for impacts related to construction noise to result in neerally occur during the period of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays, during neconducted in compliance with the Napa County Noise Ordinance (Napa ult in long-term significant construction noise impacts. Conditions of approlimited to daylight hours, vehicles to be muffled, and backup alarms adjunt significant.	me is not anticipated rational impacts. The y. Given the proximi a significant impacormal hours of hum. County Code Chapoval identified below	I to be significant. e nearest offsite rety to the residentiant. Further, construent activity. All conter 8.16). The proviously would require construent.	The project wo esidences are all neighbors, the action activities struction activities posed project instruction activities activiti	ould not located ere is a s would ties will will not vities to

Less Than

7.3.1. CONSTRUCTION NOISE

Construction noise shall be minimized to the greatest extent practical and feasible under State and local safety laws, consistent with construction noise levels permitted by the General Plan Community Character Element and the County Noise Ordinance. Construction equipment muffling and hours of operation shall be in compliance with the County Code. Equipment shall be shut down when not in use. Construction equipment shall normally be staged, loaded, and unloaded on the project site, if at all practicable. If project terrain or access road conditions require construction equipment to be staged, loaded, or unloaded off the project site (such as on a neighboring road or at the base of a hill), such activities shall only occur daily between the hours of 8 am to 5 pm.

c/d. Community noise is commonly described in terms of the "ambient" noise level which is defined as the all-encompassing noise level associated with a given noise environment. The Napa County General Plan EIR indicates the average, or equivalent, sound level (Leq) for winery activities is 51dBA in the morning and 41dBA in the afternoon. Audibility of a new noise source and/or increase in noise levels within recognized acceptable limits are not usually considered to be significant noise impacts, but these concerns should be addressed and considered in the planning and environmental review processes.

There could be a change in the ambient noise level at the existing winery due to the increase in production, visitation, marketing events, and number of employees. Noise from winery operations is generally limited and intermittent, meaning the sound level can vary during the day and over the course of the year, depending on the activities at the winery. The primary noise-generating activities are equipment associated with wineries including refrigeration equipment, bottling equipment, barrel washing, de-stemmers and press activities occurring during the harvest crush season, delivery trucks, and other vehicles. There are no changes in use or design of the existing covered crush pad or outdoor work areas along the northern side of the winery building. The winery currently utilizes a mobile bottling truck and it is anticipated that the increase in production will result in approximately two additional days of bottling on-site. The standard noise condition (stated above) requires that any exterior winery equipment be enclosed or mufflered and maintained so as not to create a noise disturbance.

The winery is currently permitted to have visitation up to 30 people per day from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM and on-premises consumption in the existing rose garden during those hours. The applicant is requesting an increase in visitation to 50 people per day, change in visitation hours 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM and use of the outdoor rose garden for tours and tastings activities as well. The use of said outdoor area would be limited to the maximum daily visitation of 50 visitors during visitation hours. There is an existing grove of trees located along the northeastern side of the outdoor area, between the winery rose garden and the closest receptor to the north. The addition of tastings in the outdoor area is not expected to generate significant noise levels.

The proposed project involves an increase in the marketing program from two events per year to 20 events per year. The proposed modification would not change the size of the largest event, but would increase the potential frequency of those events. Events currently occur and are proposed to continue to occur in the tasting room. Additionally, events are proposed to occur in the outdoor rose garden and the existing paved area between the tasting room and the rose garden. There will be no regular visitation allowed during the marketing events with more than 20 people.

Current marketing events: 2

- 1 event for 130 people
- 1 event for 200 people.

Proposed marketing events: 20

- 12 new events with 20 people
- 3 open houses with 200 people
- 4 dinners with 130 people
- 1 harvest event with 100 people

Continuing enforcement of Napa County's Noise Ordinance by the Division of Environmental Health and the Napa County Sheriff, including the prohibition against amplified music, should further ensure that marketing events and other winery activities do not create a significant noise impact. The applicant proposes to finish events, excluding quiet clean-up, by 10:00 p.m. Amplified music or sound systems would not be permitted for outdoor events as identified in standard Condition of Approval 4.10 below. Temporary events would be subject to County Code Chapter 5.36 which regulates proposed temporary events.

4.10 AMPLIFIED MUSIC

There shall be no amplified sound system or amplified music utilized outside of approved, enclosed, winery buildings.

The proposed project would not result in long-term significant permanent noise impacts.

e/f.		project site is not located within an airport land use plan or within two miles makes would occur.	es of a public airpor	t or within the vici	nity of a privat	e airstrip.
Mitigatio	on Me	easures: None required.				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XIII.	POF	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
	b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
	c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
Discussi	on:					
a.	incr Data proj will	Association of Bay Area Governments' <i>Projections 2003</i> figures indicate ease some 23 percent by the year 2030 (<i>Napa County Baseline Data Repa Report</i> indicates that total housing units currently programmed in countections by approximately 15 percent. The project proposes up to 10 full-to be subject to the County's housing impact mitigation fee, which provides full full-time impacts related to population and housing balance were identified.	port, November 30, 2 unty and municipal ime employees. Any unding to meet local	2005). Additionally housing elements improvements rehousing needs.	, the County's exceed ABA quiring building	Baseline G growth g permits
	hou env Coc and ider ade	le §65580, the County of Napa must facilitate the improvement and d sing needs of all economic segments of the community. Similarly, CEQ ironment damage with the provision of a "decent home and satisfying living le §21000(g)). The 2008 General Plan sets forth the County's long-range future housing cycles, while balancing environmental, economic, and fis stiffied in the General Plan Housing Element function, in combination of quate cumulative volume and diversity of housing. Cumulative impacts on than significant.	A recognizes the ing environment for ending environment for ending recal factors and compute the County's hards.	nportance of balan every Californian." gional housing ne munity goals. The ousing impact mi	ncing the prev (See Public R eds, during the policies and tigation fee, t	rention of esources e present orograms o ensure
b/c.	volu	existing residence and guest cottage onsite will not be impacted by the time of existing housing or a substantial number of people and will not new refore, no impacts would occur.	proposed winery. T cessitate the constru	his project will no uction of replacem	t displace a si ent housing el	ubstantial sewhere.
Mitigation	on Me	easures: None required.				
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XIV.	PUE	BLIC SERVICES. Would the project result in:				
	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?				
		Police protection?			\boxtimes	

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	Schools?			\boxtimes	
	Parks?			\boxtimes	
	Other public facilities?			\boxtimes	
Discussi	on:				
a.	Public services are currently provided to the project site and the additional protection measures are required as part of the development pursuant to foreseeable impact to emergency response times with the adoption of Engineering Services Division have reviewed the application and recomm which assist local school districts with capacity building measures, will be project will have little to no impact on public parks. County revenue resulti taxes from the sale of wine will help meet the costs of providing public services significant impact on public services.	Napa County Fire standard conditions end approval, as co e levied pursuant to ng from any building	Marshal condition of approval. The nditioned. School building permit so permit fees, prop	s and there we have Fire Departrimpact mitigal ubmittal. The left tax increases	vill be no nent and tion fees, proposed ases, and
Mitigation	on Measures: None required.				
			Less Than		
		Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XV.	RECREATION. 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
Discussi	on:				
a/b.	The project would not significantly increase the use of recreational facilities have a significant adverse effect on the environment. No impact would occur		ect include recreat	ional facilities	that may
Mitigation	on Measures: None required.				
XVI.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	a) Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system and/or conflict with General Plan Policy CIR-16, which seeks to maintain an adequate Level of Service (LOS) at signalized and unsignalized intersections, or reduce the effectiveness of existing transit services or pedestrian/bicycle facilities?				

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency for designated roads or highways?		Incorporation		
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature, (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?		\boxtimes		
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				\boxtimes
f)	Conflict with General Plan Policy CIR-23, which requires new uses to meet their anticipated parking demand, but to avoid providing excess parking which could stimulate unnecessary vehicle trips or activity exceeding the site's capacity?				
g)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?				

Discussion:

The existing winery is located on a 22.62-acre parcel on the north side of Greenwood Avenue, directly north of the City of Calistoga. The winery will continue to use the existing driveway, which connects to Greenwood Avenue about 1,200 feet west of State Route (SR) 29. State Route 29 provides the only access to the segment of Greenwood Avenue that now serves the winery driveway, as Greenwood Avenue currently dead ends about 3,000 feet west of State Route 29 at a bridge that was damaged in the 2014 Napa earthquake.

a/b. Under the Napa County General Plan, traffic volumes are projected to increase and will be caused by a combination of locally generated traffic as well as general regional growth. The General Plan EIR indicates that much of the forecasted increase in traffic on the arterial roadway network will result from traffic generated outside of the County; however the project will contribute a small amount toward the general overall increase. General Plan Policy CIR-16 states that "The County will seek to maintain an arterial Level of Service D or better on all County roadways, except where the level of Service already exceeds this standard and where increased intersection capacity is not feasible without substantial additional right of way."

Maintaining Level of Service ("LOS") D or better at all signalized intersections would sometimes require expanding the physical footprint of an intersection. In some locations around the County, expanding physical transportation infrastructure could be in direct conflict with the County's goals of preserving the area's rural character, improving safety, and sustaining the agricultural industry, making these potential improvements infeasible. The County's Circulation Element lists intersections that are slated for improvement or expansion in unincorporated Napa County. Transportation studies should individually consider the feasibility of potential mitigation measures with respect to right-of-way acquisition, regardless of the intersection's place in the Circulation Element's identified improvement lists, and present potential alternative mitigation measures that do not require right-of-way acquisition. County staff would then review that information and make the decision about the feasibility of the identified potential mitigations. For intersections that cannot be improved without substantial additional right-of-way according to both the Circulation Element and the individual transportation impact study, and where other mitigations such as updating signal timing, signal phasing and operations, and/or signing and striping improvements do not improve the LOS, an LOS E or F will be considered acceptable and the one percent threshold (See Significance Criteria below) would not apply. Analysis of signalized intersection LOS should still be presented for informational purposes, and there should still be an evaluation of effects on safety and local access, per Policy CIR-18.

A Traffic Impact Report, dated October 18, 2016 and Revised October 19, 2017, was prepared by Crane Transportation Group to determine if traffic from the winery's proposed expansion will result in any significant local circulation system impacts. The report looked at operating conditions at the State Route 29 intersections with Tubbs Lane, Greenwood Avenue, and Silverado Trail. Traffic generation was calculated from winery operations, where the calculated trips reflect on-site employees, visitation, and wine production.

The following methods and significance criteria were used to assess potential impacts for Year 2016 Harvest with Project; Year 2020 Harvest with Project; and Year 2030 Cumulative Harvest with Project.

Intersection Peak Hour Signal Warrant Evaluation – There are nine (9) possible tests, "warrants", for determining whether a traffic signal should be considered for installation. These tests consider criteria such as actual traffic volume, pedestrian volume, presence of school children, and accident history. The intersection volume data together with the available collision histories were compared to warrants contained in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CMUTCD) 2014. Warrant #3, the peak hour volume warrant, is often used as an initial check of signalization needs since peak hour volume data is typically available and this warrant is usually the first one to be met. Warrant #3 is based on a curve and takes only the hour with the highest volume of the day into account. It should be noted that a "rural" warrant chart is utilized when the uncontrolled intersection approaches have vehicle speeds greater than 40 miles per hour or when the intersection is in a community with a population of less than 10,000. The rural warrant chart was utilized for evaluation of the SR 29 intersections with Tubbs Lane and Greenwood Avenue since the speeds on SR 29 are greater than 40 miles per hour and the intersections are in a rural setting. The rural warrant has also been utilized at the all way stop SR 29/Silverado Trail intersection since Calistoga has a population of less than a 10,000.

Significance Criteria – Arterial Segments – A project would cause a significant impact requiring mitigation if:

- 1. An arterial segment operates at LOS A, B, C or D during the selected peak hours without project trips, and deteriorates to LOS E or F with the addition of project trips, or
- 2. An arterial segment operates at LOS E or F during the selected peak hours without project trips, and the addition of project trips increases the total segment volume by one percent or more.
 - The following equation should be used if the arterial operates at LOS E or F without the project: Project Contribution % = Project Trips ÷ Existing Volumes

Significance Criteria – Signalized Intersections – A project would cause a significant impact requiring mitigation if:

- 1. A signalized intersection operates at LOS A, B, C or D during the selected peak hours without project trips, and deteriorates to LOS E or F with the addition of project trips, or
- 2. A signalized intersection operates at LOS E or F during the selected peak hours without project trips, and the addition of project trips increases the total entering volume by one percent or more.
 - The following equation should be used if the signalized intersection operates at LOS E or F without the project: Project Contribution % = Project Trips ÷ Existing Volumes

Friday and Saturday PM peak hour trip generation projections were developed with the assistance of the project applicant for all components of increased employee, grape delivery, visitor activities and marketing events associated with expanded activities at the Vincent Arroyo Winery. Friday 3:00 to 6:00 PM as well as Saturday noon to 6:00 PM turn movement counts were conducted by Crane Transportation Group (CTG) on September 30 and October 1, 2016 at the SR 29 intersections with Tubbs Lane, Greenwood Avenue, and Silverado Trail as well as at the Greenwood Avenue/Vincent Arroyo Winery driveway intersection. The peak traffic hours were determined to be 4:00-5:00 PM on Friday and 1:15-2:15 PM on Saturday, although most hours during Saturday afternoon had similar volume levels.

The report estimates that the proposed winery expansion will result in the following yearly additional trips.

- 1 new grape delivery truck per year.
- Reduction of 2 outhaul grape trucks/year.
- Additional bottling on-site (2 days/year).
- 6 additional trucks/year with bottles, corks, etc.
- 20 new tours & tasting visitors by appointment between 9:30 AM and 6:00 PM, 7 days per week (an increase from 30 up to 50 visitors per day).
- Marketing events 20 events per year.
 - 12 new events with 20 people (shuttle bused)
 - o 3 open houses with 200 people (70-75 vehicles)
 - o 4 dinners with 130 people (most shuttle bused)
 - 1 harvest event with 100 people (35-40 vehicles)
 - o There will be no regular visitation during the marketing events with more than 20 people.
 - o Proposed new marketing event scheduling would preclude most project traffic on the local roadway system during 3:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on any day of the week.

During the harvest Friday PM peak traffic hour there would be a projected three new inbound and one (1) new outbound vehicle, while during the harvest Saturday PM peak traffic hour there would be a projected one (1) new inbound and one (1) new outbound vehicle. The extension of visitation by appointment from 4:30 until 6:00 PM would delay departure of the winery's existing two (2) to three (3) tours and tastings employees until after 6:00 PM (seven days per week). Therefore, the only winery related vehicles expected on the local roadway network during both the Friday and Saturday PM peak traffic hours would be visitor related traffic.

The report determined the following for the three assessment timelines: Year 2016 Harvest with Project; Year 2020 Harvest with Project; and Year 2030 Cumulative Harvest with Project.

Year 2016 Harvest with Project

The SR 29 intersections with Greenwood Avenue and Silverado Trail would maintain acceptable Friday and Saturday PM peak hour operation with the addition of project traffic. At Tubbs Lane, Saturday PM peak hour operation would also remain acceptable. While Friday "Without Project" PM peak hour conditions would already be unacceptable (LOS E), project traffic would produce no measurable increase in delay and would therefore not meet County significance criteria.

The SR 29 intersections with Greenwood Avenue and Silverado Trail would not have Friday or Saturday PM peak hour volumes meeting peak hour signal warrant #3 criteria levels with or without project traffic. At Tubbs Lane, Saturday PM peak hour volumes would also not meet signal warrant #3 criteria levels with or without project traffic. While Friday "Without Project" PM peak hour volumes would meet signal warrant criteria levels, the project would not be expected to add more than 1 vehicle (and possibly no traffic) to the intersection during this peak hour.

Year 2020 Harvest with Project

The SR 29 intersections with Greenwood Avenue and Silverado Trail would maintain acceptable Friday and Saturday PM peak hour operation with the addition of project traffic. At Tubbs Lane, Saturday PM peak hour operation would also remain acceptable. While Friday "Without Project" PM peak hour conditions would be unacceptable (LOS F), project traffic would produce no measurable increase in delay and would therefore not meet County significance criteria.

The SR 29 intersection with Greenwood Avenue would not have Friday or Saturday PM peak hour volumes meeting peak hour signal warrant #3 criteria levels with or without project traffic. At Tubbs Lane and Silverado Trail, both with and without the project, Friday and Saturday PM peak hour volumes would meet signal warrant #3 criteria levels. However, project traffic would only increase volumes at Tubbs Lane by about 0.1 percent and at Silverado Trail by about 0.3 percent, which would be less than County significance criteria limits.

Year 2030 Cumulative Harvest with Project

Based on September 2016 discussions with Mr. Rick Marshall, formerly of the Napa County Public Works Department & Mr. Erik Lundquist and Mr. Michael Kirn with the City of Calistoga, there are no capacity-increasing roadway improvements planned by Caltrans, Napa County, or the City of Calistoga at any of the analysis intersections However, the Greenwood Avenue bridge across Garnet Creek is projected to be repaired between 2020 and 2030, assuming funds are available. At the direction of the Napa County Public Works Department, year 2030 traffic projections assume the one-lane Greenwood Avenue bridge is open.

The SR 29 intersections with Greenwood Avenue and Silverado Trail would maintain acceptable Friday and Saturday PM peak hour operation with the addition of project traffic. At Tubbs Lane, Saturday PM peak hour operation would also remain acceptable. While Friday "Without Project" PM peak hour conditions would be unacceptable (LOS F), project traffic would produce no measurable increase in delay and would therefore not meet County significance criteria.

The SR 29 intersection with Greenwood Avenue would not have Friday or Saturday PM peak hour volumes meeting peak hour signal warrant #3 criteria levels with or without project traffic. At Tubbs Lane and Silverado Trail, both with and without Friday and Saturday PM peak hour volumes would meet signal warrant #3 criteria levels. However, project traffic would only increase volumes at Tubbs Lane by about 0.1 percent and at Silverado Trail by about 0.3 percent, which would be less than County significance criteria limits.

The report concludes that the project would result in no significant off-site circulation system operational impacts at the SR 29 intersections with Tubbs Lane, Greenwood Avenue, or Silverado Trail.

- c. No air traffic is proposed and there are no new structures proposed for this project that would interfere with or require alteration of air traffic patterns. No impact would occur.
- d-e. The winery will continue to use the existing driveway connection to Greenwood Avenue. The driveway will be widened to meet current Road and Street Standards, but there are no changes proposed to the location or design. Sight lines at the existing driveway meet minimum stopping sight distance criteria based upon the Caltrans March 2014 Highway Design Manual (more than 1,000 feet to the east and west). Public Works staff concurs with the recommendation of the Traffic Impact Report that a stop sign be installed at the winery driveway intersection approach to Greenwood Avenue. A mitigation measure has been included requiring installation of a stop sign prior to establishment of any new or expanded use. The project will not result in any increased hazards or in inadequate emergency access. The Fire Department, Engineering Services Division, and Public Works Department have reviewed the application and recommend approval, as conditioned.
- f. The project is proposing six additional parking spaces for a total of 13 parking spaces. Staff believes this number of parking spaces is commensurate with the proposed number of employees and visitation. The proposed parking will meet the anticipated parking demand and will avoid providing excess parking, and will therefore have no impact.

g.	trans	e is no aspect of this proposed project that would conflict with any portation. The applicant has indicated that the project will continue to in incentives and bus/shuttle transportation for large marketing events as	corporate a vehicle	miles traveled red	luction plan inclu	
Mitig	ation Mea	asures:				
MM ⁻	TRANS-1:	The permittee shall install a stop sign at the winery driveway inters stop sign shall be completed prior to execution of any new entitlem necessary, the property owner shall obtain an encroachment perm	nents approved und	er this Use Permit	Major Modificat	
		Monitoring: The permittee shall submit site improvements plans (g which include the location of the proposed stop sign.	rading or building p	ermit application) t	to the PBES Dep	partment
			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XVII.	change in Code sec geographic	CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project cause a substantial adverse the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources tion 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is cally defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:				
		Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or				\boxtimes
	:	A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.				\boxtimes
Discu	ussion:					
a-b.	Histo prope Triba Depa April	rding to the Napa County Environmental Resource Maps (based on the rical Sites – Lines, Arch sensitive areas, Arch sites, Arch surveys) no a erty. Invitation for tribal consultation was completed pursuant to AB 52 a I Historic Preservation Department and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation or tribal on February 21, 2017, declining any comment on the process. 2017, requesting additional information. Staff provided the information nent, was received on July 18, 2017. No impact would occur.	rchaeologic or tribal and responses were The Middletown R oposed project. The	resources have be received from the ancheria Tribal His Yocha Dehe Wint	een identified or Middletown Ra storic Preservati Iun Nation replie	n the ncheria on
Mitig	jation Mea	asures: None required.				
XVII.	I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	TIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
A 11.	a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?			\boxtimes	
	1	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?			\boxtimes	

			Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	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?				\boxtimes
	d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?			\square	
	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	Ш	Ш		gnificant Impact Impact Impact Impact
		projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				\boxtimes
	f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?			\boxtimes	
	g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?			\boxtimes	
Discussi	on:					
a, b, e.	8, 2 procons calc sub con	discussed in Section IX. Hydrology and Water Quality, Delta Consulting & 2016, to evaluate the feasibility of treating and disposing the additional duction and marketing. The study concludes that the proposed increase lite. The Napa County Environmental Health Division has reviewed the culations and construction plans will be prepared in accordance with Napumittal. Wastewater disposal would be accommodated on-site in complicative forms of any new water treatment facilities that will result in a significatewater treatment requirements of the Regional Water Quality Control Box	al wastewater flows of winery wastewater the report and concive County standards ance with State and cant impact to the	generated by the r disposal needs curred with their cat the time of build County regulation environment. The	e proposed in- can be accom- conclusion. Fu Iding permit a ns and will no project will no	crease in imodated ill design pplication of require
	acti ero: mei	e proposed project is not expected to violate any water quality standa vities will be subject to the County's Stormwater Ordinance which complie sion, sediment, and waste materials from entering waterways both during ntioned measures the project does not have the potential to significan lacts would be less than significant.	s with State requirer g and after any cons	ments, would include struction activities.	de measures t By following t	o prevent he above
С.		e project will not require or result in the construction of new storm water drase a significant impact to the environment. No impact would occur.	ainage facilities or ex	xpansion of existin	g facilities, wh	ich would
d.		discussed in Section IX. Hydrology and Water Quality, according to the ery will increase in annual demand, from 0.688 acre-feet per year to 2.217				

- acre-feet per year. Utilizing the Valley Floor screening criteria of 1 acre-foot of water per acre of land, the 22.62 acre parcel would have a water use availability of 22.62 acre-feet per year. Since the proposed water use of 2.217 acre-feet per year is less than the calculated availability of 22.62 acre-feet per year, the project would not require new or expanded entitlements and the project will have a less than significant impact on groundwater supply and recharge rates.
- According to the Napa County Baseline Data Report, all of the solid waste landfills where Napa County's waste is disposed have more f. than sufficient capacity related to the current waste generation. Therefore, impacts would be less than significant.
- The project would comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste. Impacts would be less than g. significant.

<u>Mitigation Measures</u>: None required.

Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No Impact
	Incorporation	Impact	

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
i	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	
	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	
() Does the project have environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?		\boxtimes		

Discussion:

- a. The 22.62-acre parcel is currently developed with a winery and associated development, a residence, and a guest house. The remaining 18 acres of the parcel are planted in vineyards. The proposed physical improvements associated with the project include widening the existing driveway, installing seven new parking spaces, improving the existing internal access roads to allow room for a fire truck turnaround, and installing new wastewater system equipment. The proposed physical improvements are limited to areas already developed with winery structures and improvements or planted in vineyards and no tree removal is required. The proposed improvements would take place south of the existing development and will not impact Garnett Creek which runs through the property in a southwesterly direction. Potential impacts to the quality of the environment, habitat, wildlife, or a plant community are less than significant. There are no historic structures located on site and previous development on site has not discovered any cultural resources, archaeological resources, paleontological resources, or unique geological features. No historic or prehistoric resources are anticipated to be affected by the proposed project nor will the proposed project eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. In the event archaeological artifacts are found, a standard condition of approval would be incorporated into the project to prevent any impact on such resources. Impacts would be less than significant.
- b. The project would increase the demands for public services to a limited extent, and would increase traffic and air pollutants, all of which contribute to cumulative effects when future development in Napa Valley is considered. Cumulative impacts of these issues are discussed in previous sections of this Initial Study, wherein the impact from an increase in air pollution is being addressed as discussed in the project's Greenhouse Gas Voluntary Best Management Practices including but not limited to: generation of on-site renewable energy; vehicle miles traveled reduction plan including employee incentives, employee carpool or vanpool, bike riding incentives, and bus transportation for large marketing events; solar hot water heating; energy conserving lighting; and use of recycled materials. Additional items are included in the Voluntary Best Management Practices Checklist for Development Projects form included with the Use Permit Application.

The Traffic Impact Report concluded that the project would result in no significant off-site circulation system operational impacts at the SR 29 intersections with Tubbs Lane, Greenwood Avenue or Silverado Trail. Under the Napa County General Plan, traffic volumes are projected to increase and will be caused by a combination of locally generated traffic as well as general regional growth. The General Plan EIR indicates that much of the forecasted increase in traffic on the arterial roadway network will result from traffic generated outside of the County; however the project will contribute a small amount toward the general overall increase. General Plan Policy CIR-16 states that "The County will seek to maintain an arterial Level of Service D or better on all County roadways, except where the level of Service already exceeds this standard and where increased intersection capacity is not feasible without substantial additional right of way." For those intersections where "Without Project" PM peak hour conditions would already be unacceptable (LOS E), project traffic would produce no measurable increase in delay and would therefore not meet County significance criteria.

The project does not have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable. The analysis determined that all potential impacts were less than significant and would not contribute significantly to cumulative impacts. The project does not propose new development that would have a significant impact on the environment or substantially change the existing conditions. With the imposition of standard and project specific conditions of approval, the project does not have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable.

c. A	all impacts identified in this l	nitial Study/Mitigated Negat	ive Declaration are less	s than significant or wou	ıld be less than significant wi	th
in St	ncorporation of the proposed ubstantial adverse effects on	mitigation measures. There human beings either directly	efore, the proposed proj y or indirectly. Impacts w	ect would not result in e vould be less than signific	ld be less than significant wit nvironmental effects that caus cant.	е
Mitigation	Measures: See MM TRANS	-1.				

Vincent Arroyo Winery Use Permit Major Modification No. P16-00327 Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

Potential Environmental Impact	Adopted Mitigation Measure	Monitoring and Reporting Actions and Schedule	Implementation	Monitoring	Reporting & Date of Compliance/
Impact TRANS-1: Transportation/Traffic	The permittee shall install a stop sign at the winery driveway intersection approach to Greenwood Avenue. The installation of the stop sign shall be completed prior to execution of any new entitlements approved under this Use Permit Major Modification. If necessary, the property owner shall obtain an encroachment permit from the County Public Works Department.	Monitoring: The permittee shall submit site improvements plans (grading or building permit application) to the PBES Department which include the location of the proposed stop sign.	Р	PD	PC _ <i>I_I</i> _

PROJECT REVISION STATEMENT Vincent Arroyo Winery Use Permit Major Modification P16-00327

I hereby revise Vincent Arroyo Winery Use Permit Major Modification No. P16-00327 for the approval of a use permit modification to the existing winery (Assessor's Parcel No.: 017-230-020) located at 2361 Greenwood Avenue, Calistoga, California, to include the one (1) measure specified below:

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The permittee shall install a stop sign at the winery driveway intersection approach to Greenwood Avenue. The installation of the stop sign shall be completed prior to execution of any new entitlements approved under this Use Permit Major Modification. If necessary, the property owner shall obtain an encroachment permit from the County Public Works Department.

Monitoring: The permittee shall submit site improvements plans (grading or building permit application) to the PBES Department which include the location of the proposed stop sign.

Vincent and Marjorie Arroyo further commit themselves and successors-in-interest to (a) inform any future purchasers of the property of the above commitments; (b) include in all property leases a provision that informs the lessee of these restrictions and binds them to adhere to them, and (c) inform in writing all persons doing work on this property of these limitations.

Vincent and Marjorie Arroyo understands and explicitly agrees that with regards to all California Environmental Quality Act and Permit Streamlining Act (Government Code Sections 63920-63962) deadlines, this revised application will be treated as a new project. The new date on which said application will be considered complete is the date on which an executed copy of this project revision statement is received by the Napa County Department of Planning, Building and Environmental Services.

(Owner)