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Napa County Planning Commission Board Agenda Letter

TO: Napa County Planning Commission
FROM: Charlene Gallina for David Morrison - Director
Planning, Building and Environmental Services
REPORT BY: Charlene Gallina, SUPERVISING PLANNER - 299-1355
SUBJECT: Workshop on Proposed Method for Evaluating Future Winery Visitation Proposals

RECOMMENDATION

PROPOSED METHOD FOR EVALUATING FUTURE WINERY VISITATION PROPOSALS

CEQA Status: Feasibility and planning studies for possible future actions are Statutorily Exempt under 14 California Code of Regulations 15262 (State CEQA Guidelines) and CEQA is not applicable. These recommendations, in and of themselves, do not have a potential for resulting in a direct, physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change, and therefore are not considered to be a project under 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines). Also, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable pursuant to the General Rule contained in the Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3).

Request: The Planning Commission has previously requested that staff provide a framework that would allow a more informed and detailed discussion of comparing applications for winery visitation.

Staff Recommendation: Take public comment on and provide direction regarding the proposed draft guidelines.

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**CONTINUED DISCUSSION FROM THE MAY 15, 2015, JUNE 17, 2015, JULY 1, 2015 & SEPTEMBER 2, 2015
REGULAR MEETINGS**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Proposed Actions:

That the Planning Commission:

1. Accept staff presentation, and ask any clarifying questions;
2. Take public comments;
3. Provide direction to staff regarding the proposed approach for evaluating visitation, including any additional research; and
4. Direct staff to bring any revisions to the approach back at a future date for further review.

Discussion:

This staff report for this item will be completed on Thursday, September 10, 2015 and made available on the Planning Commission Agenda webpage.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

Napa County Planning Commission: Approve

Reviewed By: John McDowell