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County Executive Office

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Neha Hoskins
Clerk of the Board

March 5, 2026

John McCarthy

Calistoga, CA 94515

Via email:

Re: Napa County Winegrape Pest & Disease Control District

Dear John:

You have been a valued member of the **Napa County Winegrape Pest & Disease Control District**. The term of your position will expire on March 26, 2026. If you wish to request reappointment for another three-year term, please check the box below:

- Yes, I would like my name, this reappointment request letter and application forwarded to the Board of Supervisors requesting reappointment to the **Napa County Winegrape Pest & Disease Control District** for a three-year term.

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If you have chosen to request reappointment, please check **one** of the two boxes below regarding your last application.

- I confirm that all the information on my last application is current.
- Some of the information on my last application is no longer current or is five (5) years old or older. I will submit a new or revised application.

(To complete a new application form either contact the Napa County Executive Office or go to the following link to complete your application online:

[Boards, Committees & Commissions | Napa County, CA](#)

After checking the appropriate box, sign and date on the lines below and return this letter to the County Executive Office by mail or email.

John McCarthy
SIGNATURE

3.5.26
DATE

Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, Committee, Task Force or Position

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

Public Records Act

Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code

[California Fair Political Practices Website](#)

Please note that appointees may be required by state law and county conflict of interest code to file financial disclosure statements.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Napa County Winegrape Pest & Disease Control District Board of Directors: Appointed

Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying

Board Seat

Profile

John _____ J _____ Mccarthy _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Email Address _____

Home Address _____ Suite or Apt _____

St. Helena _____ CA _____ 94574 _____
 City State Postal Code

Which supervisorial district do you reside in? *

District 3

To find your supervisorial district go to <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1334/About-the-Board>, click on "Look Up My District" and enter your address.

Primary Phone _____

Far Niente Family of
Wineries and Vineyards

Employer

Director of Vineyard
Operations

Job Title

Farmer

Occupation

Education/Experience

BS Viticulture - CSU Fresno MBA Wine Business - CSU Sonoma PCA/CCA/CPAg/SSp licenses + certifications 15 years managing vineyards for Beckstoffer Vineyards, Jackson Family Wines, Antinori Family Estates and Far Niente Family of Wineries and Vineyards.

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married. (For conflict of Interest purposes)

Heather McCarthy - Director of Marketing (Rombauer Vineyards)

Resume

[McCarthy_John_8.23.22.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

[Letter_of_Rec_JM.docx.pdf](#)

Letter of Recommendation or Supplemental Attachments

Professional or occupational license, date of issue, and expiration including status

References: Provide names and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

A elos - Pete Richmond - Larry Bettinelli -

Community Participation

Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute.

As a pest control advisor and active farmer, I have seen increasing pest pressures and understand the associated challenges. An educated and proactive approach can deter a economically challenging and environmentally impactful response to pests and disease. This is especially true as we find ourselves with new environmental challenges seemingly each and every year. I find it important to enlighten the local community to the inputs and realities of pest control in farming.

Nature of activity and community location

Vineyard Operations throughout the Napa Valley

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served

The Lake County Winegrape Commission

Public Actions that may impact Credit Rating (List all court or other public administration actions impacting your credit rating within the past ten (10) years)

NA

Electronic Signature Agreement

I meet the criteria required to serve in this position.

Yes No

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Yes No

Please Agree with the Following Statement

By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

I Agree

Electronic Signature (First M. Last)

john mccarthy

Date

8/23/22

JOHN JOSEPH MCCARTHY

Accomplished professional with considerable experience directing viticulture activities, pest management, fertility programs and data collection. Directing vineyard developments and day-to-day operations to always meet budget goals and produce successful crops. Motivated and results-oriented individual with exceptional communication, interpersonal, technical and analytical skills.

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STRENGTHS SUMMARY

Personnel Management ▪ Vine Physiology ▪ Vineyard Operations ▪ Yield Estimations ▪ Vine Nutrition and Irrigation ▪ Pruning & Vine Training ▪ Canopy Management
Pest Management Strategies ▪ Disease and Weed Control ▪ Fertilizer and Pesticide Applications ▪ Applicable Labor Laws ▪ Motivational Leadership ▪ Budget Development ▪ Spanish Communication

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

- Elected to the Board of Directors for the Lake County Winegrape Commission
- Received the President's Top Team Award from Jackson Family Wines (JFW)
- Appointed Farm Bureau District 18 Chairman of the Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Far Niente Family of Wineries and Vineyards – Napa, California
Director of Vineyard Operations

January 2021 – Current

- Providing direction and consultation to third party vineyard management companies to execute vineyard operations covering 550 acres across 20 properties
- Fruit Sourcing over 3,000 tons for 5 brands that meet qualitative parameters and adhere to budgetary thresholds
- Vineyard and property sale due diligence to align company growth forecasting with acquisition goals

Antinori California – Napa, California
Vineyard Manager

January 2019 – January 2021

- Successfully produced and delivered high end fruit grossing over \$10 million
- Decreased hours per acre across several vineyard activities up to 50% through proper equipment utilization, efficient labor timing and effective material investments
- Fruit sales, winery relations and contract management for 10 winery clients

Beckstoffer Vineyards – Kelseyville, California
Vineyard Manager

February 2017 - January 2019

- Utilized 100 employees to farm 1,500 acres of hillside cabernet vineyards and vineyard developments
- Executed all operations to meet budget requirements and fruit quality standards
- Budgeted and forecasted labor, materials and equipment expenses across all aspects of vineyard and ranch management

Jackson Family Wines – Santa Rosa, California
Assistant Vineyard Manager, PCA & CCA

April 2013 to February 2017

- Utilized 60 contracted labor employees and 12 internal employees to execute high quality vineyard management across 1,000 developed acres
- Increased vineyard acreage from 900 to 1,200 through development and acquisition while maintaining winery expectations in fruit quality

Beckstoffer Vineyards – Kelseyville, California
Viticulturist, PCA & Supervisor

May 2010 to May 2013

- Implemented in-depth knowledge of viticulture, canopy management techniques, mechanical and manual harvesting, pruning, maturity tracking, yield estimation and vineyard development across 1,100 acres
- Calibration, monitoring and reporting of pesticide and fertilizer applications

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION

California State University – Sonoma, California

August 2017

Executive Master of Business Administration, Wine Business

California State University – Fresno, California

May 2010

Bachelor of Science, Viticulture

California Department of Pesticide Regulation – Sacramento, California

May 2011

PCA - Pest Control Advisor License (A.B.C.D.E.G.)

American Society of Agronomy ICCA Program – Madison, Wisconsin

November 2014

CCA - Certified Crop Advisor

California Department of Pesticide Regulation – Sacramento, California

January 2018

PAL – Private Applicator License

American Society of Agronomy ICCA Program – Madison, Wisconsin

April 2018

CPAg - Certified Professional Agronomist

American Society of Agronomy ICCA Program – Madison, Wisconsin

January 2019

SSp – Certified Sustainability Specialist



FAMILY OF WINERIES
AND VINEYARDS

FAR NIENTE · DOLCE · NICKEL & NICKEL · ENROUTE · BELLA UNION · POST & BEAM

Attn: Napa County Winegrape Pest and Disease Control District

To the District Board Members,

The Far Niente Family of Wineries and Vineyards supports John McCarthy in his pursuit of a seat on the Napa County Winegrape Pest and Disease District Board. John has demonstrated his knowledge on sustainable pest and disease control across our properties and would be a valuable addition to this group.

I personally recommend John to this position and approve of his representation on behalf of the Far Niente Family.

Kind regards,

Steve Spadarotto

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CEO

8/23/2022

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