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Application Packet

Schlatter Family Estate Micro-Winery Use Permit
P24-00217-UP
Zoning Administrator Hearing – August 27, 2025

NAPA COUNTY

Planning, Building and Environmental Services



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USE PERMIT MICRO-WINERY APPLICATION
WINERY USES

Before you file an application...

Before you submit your application materials, and generally as early in the process as possible, you may want to schedule a Pre-Application Review Meeting (or Pre-App) with a member of the Planning Department Staff.

Pre-Application Meetings

Pre-application meetings are an opportunity to meet with staff from all Divisions and receive valuable feedback on your project. In particular, staff can identify the type of application and related permits that may be necessary, permit processing steps and timelines, and pertinent information and technical studies that will be required to submit a complete application.

To schedule a Pre-application meeting, please visit the Planning Division website at:

<https://www.countyofnapa.org/1709/Planning-Division> and follow the steps provided to use our Online Permit Center system.

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MICRO-WINERY PROCEDURES

WINERY USES ONLY

CHAPTER 18.08 DEFINITIONS

18.08.377 Micro-winery.

"Micro-winery" means a new winery or an existing micro-winery that modifies its use permit pursuant to Section 18.124.130.(F) below, both of which meet all of the requirements of the County Code applicable to a winery as well as the following specific restrictions and prohibitions:

- A. Ferments on-site at least 201 gallons of wine annually and has a production capacity of no more than 5,000 gallons of wine;
- B. At least 75 percent of the grapes used in fermentation on-site are grown on the same property as the micro-winery or contiguous parcels under the same ownership. For the purpose of this section, "the same property as the micro-winery" means any parcel or parcels identified as included within the Use Permit application;
- C. Has a maximum of 5,000 square feet of total enclosed space including storage, processing facilities, tasting areas, and caves;
- D. No more than twenty Average Daily Trips (ADT) (ten daily round trips) are generated by tasting room visitors, all winery employees including seasonal employees, and deliveries to and/or from the winery;
- E. No marketing events as defined in Section 18.08.370, are conducted on site;
- F. Tours and tastings, as defined in Section 18.08.620, and retail sales as defined in Sections 18.16.030(G)(5)(C) for wineries in the Agricultural Preserve and 18.20.030.(H).(5).(C) for the Agricultural Watershed, may be conducted on-site but are limited to between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.;
- G. No subsequent application for an increase in the production of wine or tasting room visitation shall be considered within two years after the approval of the original micro-winery use permit.
- H. Micro-wineries shall only be permitted within the Agricultural Preserve (AP) and Agricultural Watershed (AW) zones.

[Please refer to the County Code for applicable Winery Definition Ordinance provisions including, but not limited to, minimum parcel size and setbacks.]

CHAPTER 18.10 ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Sections:

18.10.010 General powers and duties.

18.10.020 Duties—Specific subjects.

The zoning administrator shall hear and decide all applications for the following unless, in the zoning administrator's sole discretion, the zoning administrator determines that the matter (1) is of a size, importance, or unique nature such that it is judged not to be a routine matter; (2) involves potentially significant environmental impacts; or (3) is such that the public interest would be furthered by having a particular application heard and decided by the planning commission:

A. Permits and modifications thereof for the following:

5. Following a public hearing noticed in accordance with Section 18.136.040, use permits for Micro-wineries as defined by Section 18.08.377 of this code. No application for a new micro-winery use permit or modification of a micro-winery use permit, whether minor or major, shall be considered beginning three years after May 5, 2022 (the effective date of this Ordinance), unless the provisions in this code pertaining to micro-wineries are extended, re-adopted or amended by the board of supervisors. Applications that are accepted by the Director as complete prior to the deadline shall be allowed to complete their processing. In the event that the provisions in this code pertaining to micro-wineries are not extended, re-adopted or amended by the board of supervisors, use permits for micro-wineries that have been issued under these provisions shall remain valid unless allowed to expire pursuant to Section 18.124.080 or revoked pursuant to 18.124.120;

[APPLICABLE PROCEDURE REQUIREMENTS - MODIFICATIONS TO MICRO-WINERIES]

CHAPTER 18.124 USE PERMITS

Section:

- A. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (B), (C) and (D) of this section, modifications to an approved use permit shall be processed in the same manner and in compliance with the procedures set forth herein for use permits and appeals, including notice and the payment of applicable permit application fees.

D. Notice of intent to approve or deny, for purposes of subsection (C) above, shall include a general explanation of the matter to be considered, a general description, in text or by diagram, of the location of the subject real property, and a statement that the zoning administrator intends to approve or deny the requested modification on a certain date not less than ten calendar days after the date of mailing of the notice. Notice of intent, for purposes of this subsection, shall be given as follows:

1. To the owner of the subject real property or the owner's duly authorized agent and to the project applicant if the project applicant is neither the owner of the property nor the owner's duly authorized agent;
2. To all owners of real property, including businesses, corporations or other public or private entities, as shown on the latest equalized assessment roll within one thousand feet of the real property that is the subject of the proposed project. In lieu of utilizing the assessment roll, the records of the county assessor or tax collector which contain more recent information than the assessment roll may be used; and
3. By posting the notice on the county's website for the PBES Department.

A notice of decision, for purposes of subsection (C) above, shall be given in the same manner as a notice of intent, but shall include any conditions of approval imposed on the project by the zoning administrator. The date of the notice of decision shall be date of the decision for purposes of appeals pursuant to chapter 2.88 of this code.

F. Upon receipt of a written request from the holder of a use permit relating to a micro-winery, the zoning administrator may approve minor modifications to micro-winery use permits in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (D) above. There will be no public hearing for such minor modifications. Modifications to micro-winery use permits are considered minor modifications under this subsection if the change in operations consists of any of the following:

1. Any increase in (1) the number of full-time equivalent existing permitted employees, including seasonal employees, (2) tours and tastings, or (3) deliveries, so long as the total number of vehicle trips for all such uses on the property does not exceed 20 ADT or 10 round trips;
2. An increase in wine production so long as the total annual production does not exceed 5,000 gallons annually;
3. Any change in days of operation provided there is no increase in visitation, except pursuant to this section; and

4. Any increase in aggregate building footprint (including caves) so long as the total does not exceed 5,000 square feet.
- H. Any modification to a use permit that exceeds the thresholds listed above in this section will be considered a major modification subject to consideration and a decision by the planning commission. A micro-winery with an approved major modification shall no longer be classified as a micro-winery.

[Please refer to Ordinance No. 2022-1474 for additional information regarding issuance of Micro-Winery Use Permits and Modifications to Winery Use Permits.]

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Review:

Depending on the site-specific circumstances associated with a particular winery, the project under this Micro-Winery Use Permit Procedure will be subject to CEQA, however, could be treated as exempt under Napa County's Local Procedures for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, Appendix B: Additional Categorically Exempt Projects in Napa County.

CLEAR FORM



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PLANNING APPLICATION FORM

Applicant Information

Applicant Contact Name: <u>Rene Schlatter</u> Mailing Address: <u>1111 Conn Valley Road</u> City: <u>St. Helena</u> State: <u>CA</u> Zip: <u>94574</u> Phone: <u>707 968 3417</u> E-Mail Address: <u>rschlatter@merryvale.com</u>	Property Owner Contact Name: <u>Rene Schlatter</u> Mailing Address: <u>1111 Conn Valley Road</u> City: <u>St. Helena</u> State: <u>CA</u> Zip: <u>94574</u> Phone: <u>707 968 3417</u> E-Mail Address: <u>rschlatter@merryvale.com</u>
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Agent Contact Name: <u>Jarrod Denton</u> Mailing Address: <u>1675 2nd Street</u> City: <u>Napa</u> State: <u>CA</u> Zip: <u>94559</u> Phone: <u>707 531 7653</u> E-Mail Address: <u>jarrod@signumarchitecture</u>	Other Representative Contact <input type="checkbox"/> Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Architect <input type="checkbox"/> Agent Name: _____ Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____
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Property Information

Project Name: Schlatter Family Estate

Project Address: 1111 Conn Valley Road

Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 025-180-082-000, 025-180-083-000

Size of site (acreage and/or square footage): 68.03 Acres

General Plan Designation: Agriculture, Watershed, & Open Space Zoning: AW-AGRICULTURAL WATERSHED DISTRICT

Application Type¹

File No(s)

Administrative	Planning Commission/ALUC/BOS	Zoning Administrator		
Erosion Control Plan: <input type="checkbox"/> Track I <input type="checkbox"/> Track II <input type="checkbox"/> Admin Viewshed <input type="checkbox"/> Fence Entry Structure Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Land Division/Mergers <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan Approval/Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Winery Administrative Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Other Very Minor Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Addressing <input type="checkbox"/> Signs Temporary Event: <input type="checkbox"/> 51-400 <input type="checkbox"/> 401+ <input type="checkbox"/> Late Application Submittal <input type="checkbox"/> Application Entitled to Fee Waiver <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Major Modification: <input type="checkbox"/> Winery <input type="checkbox"/> Other Use Permit: <input type="checkbox"/> Winery <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Viewshed <input type="checkbox"/> AG Preserve Contract <input type="checkbox"/> Development Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Airport Land Use Consistency Determination <input type="checkbox"/> General, Specific or Airport Land Use Plan Amendment <input type="checkbox"/> Variance <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Map/Text Amendment <input type="checkbox"/> Road Exception <input type="checkbox"/> Con. Reg. Exception <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Legal Non Conformity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Micro-Winery <input type="checkbox"/> Other Minor Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Road Exception <input type="checkbox"/> Small Winery Exemption <input type="checkbox"/> Winery Minor Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Variance <input type="checkbox"/> Viewshed <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <table border="1" style="width:100%"> <tr> <th>Misc. Services</th> </tr> <tr> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> Use Determination <input type="checkbox"/> Status Determination <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ </td> </tr> </table>	Misc. Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Use Determination <input type="checkbox"/> Status Determination <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
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¹: Include corresponding submittal requirements for each application type.

Detailed Project Description (required): A typed, detailed project description is required that describes the proposed development or use(s); the existing site conditions/uses; the number, size, type and nature of any proposed residential dwelling units or total amount of new non-residential square-footage by type of use. Please refer to specific Supplemental Application submittal handouts for details to describe the project and required special studies.

Conditions of Application

1. All materials (plans, studies, documents, etc.) and representations submitted in conjunction with this form shall be considered a part of this application and publicly available for review and use, including reproduction.
2. The owner shall inform the Planning Division in writing of any changes.
3. Agent authorization: The property owner authorizes the listed agent(s) and/or other representative(s) to appear before staff, the Director, the Zoning Administrator, and Planning Commission to represent the owner's interests and to file applications, plans and other information on the owner's behalf.
4. Certification and Indemnification Form: Refer to attached form for notifications and required signature.
5. Fees: The applicant agrees to pay the County any and all processing fees imposed by the Board of Supervisor's current Fee Resolution including the establishment of an hourly fee application agreement and initial deposit. Applicant understands that fees include, but not limited to: Planning, Engineering, Public Works, and County Counsel staff time billed at an hourly rate; required Consultant service billed rates; production or reproduction of materials and exhibits; public notice advertisements; and postage. In the event the property owner is different than the applicant, the property owner must sign to indicate consent to the filing and agreement to pay fees in the event of the applicant's failure to pay said fees. Failure to pay all accumulated fees by the time of public hearing will result in a continuance.
6. This form, together with the corresponding application forms for specific permits, will become the Permit Document.

I have read and agree with all of the above. The above information and attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. All property owners holding a title interest must sign the application form. If there are more than two property owners, list their names, mailing addresses, phone numbers and signatures on a separate sheet of paper.

If you wish notice of meetings/correspondence to be sent to parties other than those listed on Page 1, please list them on a separate piece of paper.

DocuSigned by:

 495E3DB0CADAA0E
 8/16/2024

 Property Owner's Signature and Date

 Property Owner's Signature and Date

Applicant/Agent Statement

I am authorized and empowered to act as an agent on behalf of the owner of record on all matters relating to this application. I declare that the foregoing is true and correct and accept that false or inaccurate owner authorization may invalidate or delay action on this application.

 Applicant's Signature and Date

Application Fees	
Date Received: _____	Deposit Amount \$
Received by: _____	Flat Fee Due \$
Receipt No. _____	Total \$
File No. _____	Check No

Checklist of Required Application Materials

Please make sure that the following documents are complete and legible. Consistent with the State Permit Streamlining Act and Departmental policy, the Planning, Building and Environmental Services (PBES) Department will make an application completeness determination within thirty days of application submittal and the payment of all required initial fees.

- General Application Form:** The attached General Application Form must be completed in full and signed by the property owner or their authorized agent. Corporations, partnership, and the like have special signature requirements as noted on the Form.
- Application Fee:** (Please refer to the following link for applicable application fees per permit type: [Fees & Payments | Napa County, CA \(countyofnapa.org\)](#))
 - Use Permit/Major Modification (All Uses):** Total Fees are based on actual time and materials and flat fees. A deposit in the amount of \$10,000. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Micro-Winery Use Permit:** Total Fees are based on actual time and materials and flat fees. A deposit in the amount of \$10,000. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Small Winery Exemption (Winery Uses):** Total fees are based on actual time and materials and flat fees. A deposit in the amount of \$5,000. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Minor Modification (Winery Uses):** Total fees are based upon flat rates with exception to Engineering Services which are based on actual time and materials for project review and Roads & Street Standards evaluation. All County Counsel fees are based on actual time and materials. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Administrative Permit (Winery Uses):** Total Fees are based on actual time and materials and flat fees. A deposit in the amount of \$1,500. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Minor Modification (Non-Residential & Residential Uses):** Total fees are based upon flat rates. All County Counsel fees are based on actual time and materials. Check made payable to County of Napa.
 - Very Minor Modification (Non-Residential & Residential Uses):** Total fees are based upon flat rates. All County Counsel fees are based on actual time and materials. Check made payable to County of Napa.
- Read and Sign the Hourly Fee Agreement**
- Read and Sign Certification and Indemnification Form**
- Read and Sign Initial Statement of Grape Source Form or Micro Winery Grape Source Form**
- Provide Adjoining Property Owners List for Courtesy Notice and Public Hearing Notice Mailouts**
- Detailed Project Description:** The Project Description should address all of the applicable items listed below:
 1. Existing site conditions and uses.
 2. Proposed type of development and size, proposed uses/business, development phases, changes or alterations to the property or building including new/modified improvements and off-site improvements.
 3. Days of the week and hours of operation.
 4. Maximum number of employees per shift and hours of shifts.
 5. Are there additional licenses and/or approvals from outside agencies needed from a Special District, Regional, State, Federal?
 6. What is your water supply? How/where is liquid/solid waste disposed?
- To-Scale Site Development Plans (ALL plans must be to an identified architect's or engineer's scale and shall be legible):** Submit three (3) 24" X 36" and one 11" x 17" copies of plans consistent with information contained in the *Building Division – Design Information - Sample Site Plan Handout*: [Sample-Site-Plan-PDF \(countyofnapa.org\)](#)
- To-Scale Floor Plans (ALL plans must be to an identified architect's or engineer's scale, shall show the existing and proposed conditions of the building and shall be legible):** Submit three (3) 24" X 36" and one 11" x 17" copies of plans with the following information and details:
 1. Dimensions and area of all rooms, hallways and covered or partially enclosed outdoor areas.
 2. Use of each area within each structure/building.
 3. Location of emergency exists.
- To-Scale Building Elevations (ALL plans must be to an identified architect's or engineer's scale, shall show the existing and proposed conditions of the building and shall be legible):** Submit three (3) 24" X 36" and one 11" x 17" copies of plans with the following information and details:
 1. All relevant dimensions.
 2. Exterior materials.

3. Exterior colors.
4. Existing grade.
5. Finished grade.
6. Finished floor level.
7. Building height consistent with Figure 209-1 of the 1997 UBC Handbook.

Technical Information and Reports

The following technical information and studies are generally required unless waived by County Planning Staff at or following a Pre-Application Review Meeting. Please see County Planning Staff for a list of pre-qualified consultants.

1. FOR WINERY PROJECTS: Additional submittal information is necessary and should be included with the submittal packet consistent with the Winery Use Permit Supplemental Submittal Requirements.
2. FOR MICRO-WINERY PROJECTS: Additional submittal information is necessary and should be included with the submittal packet consistent with the Micro-Winery Use Permit Supplemental Submittal Requirements.
3. Traffic Study consistent with Traffic Impact Study (TIS) Guidelines. Please fill out the enclosed current Trip Generation Sheet for existing and proposed project to determine the need for the preparation of a Traffic Impact Study. Study (TIS). If it is determined that a TIS is not required, physical traffic improvements (such as a left turn lane) or a site distance analysis may be required as determined by the Director of Public Works. Please consult with the Department of Public Works and the current version of the Napa County Road and Street Standards, which can be found following this link: [Napa County Road & Street Standards \(countyofnapa.org\)](http://Napa County Road & Street Standards (countyofnapa.org))
4. Archeological/Cultural Resources Study (consistent with *Guidelines for Preparing Cultural Resource Surveys* and State of California requirements)
5. Historic Resources Study (consistent with State Office of Historic Preservation requirements)
6. Biological Study – Includes Special Status Survey (consistent with *Guidelines for Preparing Biological Resources Reconnaissance Surveys* and *Guidelines for Preparing Special-Status Plant Studies*)
7. Water Availability/Groundwater Study (consistent with the *WAA Guidance Document* adopted by the Board 5/12/2015). Please refer to the following link: [Attachment-D--Water-Availability-Analysis-Guidelines-5-12-15-PDF \(countyofnapa.org\)](http://Attachment-D--Water-Availability-Analysis-Guidelines-5-12-15-PDF (countyofnapa.org))
8. For projects located within Sensitive Domestic Water Supply Drainages and/or within the Agricultural Watershed (AW) zoning district, please provide vegetation coverage removal and retention information/analysis based on 1993 Vegetation totals and parcel configuration, including a map or figure that includes the following information:

Tree canopy coverage:

Tree canopy cover (1993):	<input type="text" value="47.4"/> acres		
Tree canopy cover to be removed:	<input type="text" value="0.05"/> acres	<input type="text" value="0.11"/> %	Tree canopy cover (2021): Tree canopy cover removed: Tree canopy cover to be retained: 41.32 acres 0.05 acres 41.27 acres 100.00% 0.12% 99.88%
Tree canopy cover to be retained:	<input type="text" value="41.27"/> acres	<input type="text" value="87.07"/> %	

Understory (i.e. brush, shrubs, grasses):

Understory cover (1993):	<input type="text" value="0"/> acres	Understory cover (2021) <input type="text" value="1.35"/> acres
Understory to be removed:	<input type="text" value="0"/> acres	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Understory to be retained:	<input type="text" value="1.35"/> acres	<input type="text" value="100"/> %

This information may be provided as part of the Biological Report if one is required for your project. Guidance on how to prepare vegetation removal and retention calculations can be found in the County's Water Quality & Tree Protection Ordinance Implementation Guide, located on our website: [Water-Quality-and-Tree-Protection-Ordinance-Implementation-Guide \(countyofnapa.org\)](http://Water-Quality-and-Tree-Protection-Ordinance-Implementation-Guide (countyofnapa.org))

9. Special Studies (The following may be required on a project-specific basis at the discretion of the PBES Director.)
 - Noise Study (demonstrating consistency with Napa County Code Chapter 8.16).
 - Aviation Compatibility Study (consistent with Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan requirements)
 - Visual Impacts Study (Photographic simulations)
 - Geological/Geotechnical Hazard Report – Alquist Priolo Act
 - Hydraulic Analysis (flood impact) if within Floodplain and/or Floodway
 - Stormwater Control Plan (consistent with Napa County BASMAA Post Construction Manual)
 - Other: Water Availability Analysis / Tree Canopy Exhibit / Tree Replanting Exhibit / Groundwater Recharge Exhibit
 - Other: _____

10. Voluntary Best Management Practices Checklist – Please fill out enclosed form.

Additional Information Required by the Environmental Health Department:

1. Soil Evaluation Report if an on-site septic system is proposed.
2. Septic Feasibility Report for any new or upgraded septic systems or any expansion of use relying on an existing septic system.
3. Water System Feasibility Report if the water supply system will serve 25 or more people inclusive of employees, visitors, and residents or if kitchen is proposed. See enclosed handout provided by Environmental Services.
4. Water and/or Sewage Disposal Easement if an off-site spring, well, reservoir, storage tank, or individual sewage disposal system is proposed.

Completed Business Activities form

Solid Waste & Recycling Storage area location and size included on overall site plan.

Cave setback plan if a cave is proposed.

Please click on Other Information tab at <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1904/Environmental-Health-Division> for forms and handouts related to use permit application submittal.

Additional Information Required by the Engineering Services:

2021 Napa County Road & Street Standards

[Napa County Road & Street Standards \(countyofnapa.org\)](https://www.countyofnapa.org)

Project Guidance for Stormwater Compliance

<https://www.countyofnapa.org/DocumentCenter/View/3778/Project-Guidance-for-Stormwater-Quality-Compliance-PDF>

BASMAA Post-Construction Stormwater Management Manual

<https://www.countyofnapa.org/DocumentCenter/View/3780/Bay-Area-Stormwater-Management-Agencies-Association-BASMAA-Post-Construction-Manual-PDF>

Napa Countywide Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (NCSPPP) Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Guidance

<https://www.countyofnapa.org/DocumentCenter/View/3780/Bay-Area-Stormwater-Management-Agencies-Association-BASMAA-Post-Construction-Manual-PDF>

Additional Information Required by the Fire and Building for Wine Cave Design:

Proposed or Modified Winery Caves – Please include a description of uses to be conducted in the Cave. A cave floor plan shall be provided identifying where all production and hospitality uses will be conducted. Please identify how exiting requirements will be met pursuant to Building and Fire Codes.

Please Note

While this checklist includes all information generally required to process a Use Permit/Major Modification or other Use Permit related application, it is primarily focused on winery uses. Additional information may be required at the discretion of the PBES Director, and in particular in those cases where non-winery commercial uses (such as restaurants) or residential use related projects are proposed. **The Planning Division will make every effort to identify any additional required information at or directly following the Pre-application Review Meeting.**

Please contact the Planning Division Staff at the following email address: Planning@countyofnapa.org to obtain a PBES Cloud link to upload application materials and to process filing payment.

Certification and Indemnification

Applicant certifies that all the information contained in this application, including all information required in the Checklist of Required Application Materials and any supplemental submitted information including, but not limited to, the information sheet, water supply/waste disposal information sheet, site plan, floor plan, building elevations, water supply/waste disposal system site plan and toxic materials list, is complete and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge. Applicant and property owner hereby authorize such investigations including access to County Assessor's Records as are deemed necessary by the County Planning Division for preparation of reports related to this application, including the right of access to the property involved.

Pursuant to Chapter 1.30 of the Napa County Code, as part of the application for a discretionary land use project approval for the project identified below, Applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless Napa County, its agents, officers, attorneys, employees, departments, boards and commissions (hereafter collectively "County") from any claim, action or proceeding (hereafter collectively "proceeding") brought against County, the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void or annul the discretionary project approval of the County, or an action relating to this project required by any such proceeding to be taken to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act by County, or both. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to damages awarded against the County, if any, and cost of suit, attorneys' fees, and other liabilities and expenses incurred in connection with such proceeding that relate to this discretionary approval or an action related to this project taken to comply with CEQA whether incurred by the Applicant, the County, and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. Applicant further agrees to indemnify the County for all of County's costs, attorneys' fees, and damages, which the County incurs in enforcing this indemnification agreement.

Applicant further agrees, as a condition of project approval, to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County for all costs incurred in additional investigation of or study of, or for supplementing, redrafting, revising, or amending any document (such as an EIR, negative declaration, specific plan, or general plan amendment) if made necessary by said proceeding and if the Applicant desires to pursue securing approvals which are conditioned on the approval of such documents.

In the event any such proceeding is brought, County shall promptly notify the Applicant of the proceeding, and County shall cooperate fully in the defense. If County fails to promptly notify the Applicant of the proceeding, or if County fails to cooperate fully in the defense, the Applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the County. The County shall retain the right to participate in the defense of the proceeding if it bears its own attorneys' fees and costs, and defends the action in good faith. The Applicant shall not be required to pay or perform any settlement unless the settlement is approved by the Applicant.

Rene Schlatter

Print Name of Property Owner

Print Name Signature of Applicant (if different)

DocuSigned by:
Rene Schlatter
406E3D80CAD440E

Signature of Property Owner

Date

Signature of Applicant

Date

Hourly Fee Agreement

PROJECT File: Schlatter Family Estate; request for microwinery use permit

I, Rene Schlatter

the undersigned, hereby authorize the County of Napa to process the above referenced permit request in accordance with the Napa County Code. I am providing \$ 10,000.00 as a deposit to pay for County staff review, coordination and processing costs related to my permit request based on actual staff time expended and other direct costs. **In making this deposit, I acknowledge and understand that the deposit may only cover a portion of the total processing costs. Actual costs for staff time are based on hourly rates adopted by the Board of Supervisors in the most current Napa County fee schedule. I also understand and agree that I am responsible for paying these costs even if the application is withdrawn or not approved.**

I understand and agree to the following terms and conditions of this Hourly Fee Agreement:

1. Time spent by Napa County staff in processing my application and any direct costs will be billed against the available deposit. "Staff time" includes, but is not limited to, time spent reviewing application materials, site visits, responding by phone or correspondence to inquiries from the applicant, the applicant's representatives, neighbors and/or interested parties, attendance and participation at meetings and public hearings, preparation of staff reports and other correspondence, or responding to any legal challenges related to the application during the processing of your application. "Staff" includes any employee of the Planning, Building and Environmental Services Department (PBES), the Office of the County Counsel, or other County staff necessary for complete processing of the application. "Direct costs" include any consultant costs for the peer review of materials submitted with the application, preparation of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documents, expanded technical studies, project management, and/or other outside professional assistance required by the County and agreed to by the applicant. The cost to manage consultant contracts by staff will also be billed against the available deposit.
2. Staff will review the application for completeness and provide me with a good faith estimate of the full cost of processing the permit. Any requested additional deposit shall be submitted to PBES to allow continued processing of the project.
3. I understand that the County desires to avoid incurring permit processing costs without having sufficient funds on deposit. If staff determines that inadequate funds are on deposit for continued processing, staff shall notify me in writing and request an additional deposit amount estimated necessary to complete processing of my application. I agree to submit sufficient funds as requested by staff to process the project through the hearing process within 30 days of the request.
4. I understand that if the amount on deposit falls below zero, staff will notify me and stop work on the application until sufficient additional funds are provided
5. If the final cost is less than the amount remaining on deposit, the unused portion of the deposit will be refunded to me. If the final cost is more than the available deposit, I agree to pay the amount due within 30 days of billing.
6. If I fail to pay any invoices or requests for additional deposits within 30 days, the County may either stop processing my permit application, or after conducting a hearing, may deny my permit application. If I fail to pay any amount due after my application is approved, I understand that my permit may not be exercised, or may be subject to revocation. I further agree that no building, grading, sewage, or other project related permits will be issued if my account is in arrears.

7. I may file a written request for a further explanation or itemization of invoices, but such a request does not alter my obligation to pay any invoices in accordance with the terms of this agreement.

Name of Applicant responsible for payment of all County processing fees (Please Print):

Rene Schlatter

Mailing Address of the Applicant responsible for paying processing fees:

1111 Conn Valley Road

St. Helena, CA

94574

Signature:*

Email Address: rschlatter@merryvale.com

Date:

Phone Number: 707 968 3417

*ATTENTION - The applicant will be held responsible for all charges.

Supplemental Application for Micro-Winery Uses

Definitions

The below are paraphrased from County Code, please see referenced code sections for full text.

- a. **Winery Development Area** – All aggregate paved or impervious or semi-permeable ground surface areas of the production facility which includes all storage areas (except caves), offices, laboratories, kitchens, tasting rooms and paved parking areas for the exclusive use of winery employees. *See Napa County Code §18.104.210*
- b. **Winery Coverage** – The total square foot area of all winery building footprints, all aggregate paved or impervious ground surface areas of the production facility which includes all outside work, tank and storage areas (except caves); all paved areas including parking and loading areas, walkways, and access driveways to public or private roads or rights-of-way; and all above-ground wastewater and run-off treatment systems. *See Napa County Code §18.104.220*
- c. **Production Facility** – (For the purpose to calculate the maximum allowable accessory use) The total square footage of all winery crushing, fermenting, bottling, bulk and bottle storage, shipping, receiving, laboratory, equipment storage and maintenance facilities, and employee-designated restrooms but does not include wastewater treatment or disposal areas which cannot be used for agricultural purposes. *See Napa County Code §18.104.200*
- d. **Accessory Use** - The total square footage of area within winery structures used for accessory uses related to a winery that are not defined as “production facility” which would include offices, lobbies/waiting rooms, conference/meeting rooms, non-production access hallways, kitchens, tasting rooms (private and public areas), retail space areas, libraries, non-employee designated restrooms, art display areas, or any area within winery structures not directly related to wine production. *See Napa County Code §18.104.200*

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Winery Production Process



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The Napa County Code contains various references to winery production and refers to production capacity as “the wine bottled or received” at a winery and refers to “bottling and storage of bottled wine and shipping and receiving of bulk and bottled wine “(Code Section 18.16.030(G)(4)).¹

This handout was developed by the County planning staff with the assistance of a number of local industry representatives to assist property owners and other interested parties in interpreting Napa County Code references to winery production. It does not create a new definition or regulation.

A winery’s total annual production equals either (1) the sum of all wine created through fermentation in a given year, plus the net total of all fermented bulk wine received and shipped in the same year, including all bottled wine received on the premises during the same year; or (2) the amount of wine bottled on the premises in the same given year, *whichever is greater*.

Using the diagram on the right, this means the greater of A+(B-C), or D. If B-C is a negative number, total production is equal to either A or D, whichever is greater.

This interpretation holds true for all physical winery facilities regardless of the number of business entities (e.g. Alternating Proprietors/Custom Crush) they accommodate or the date that their production capacity was established or recognized. However, wineries occupying multiple facilities are governed by the specific terms of their use permit or Certificate of Legal Non-conformity (CLN), which may vary.

Quantities represented by items A through D on the diagram can be determined by reviewing a winery’s annual submittals to the federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB). The County may periodically request a copy of these submittal (s) as a way to monitor compliance with previously adopted conditions/requirements. The County recognizes that annual variations can occur due to the grape harvest and the timing of finishing/bottling, and will generally review and average three consecutive years of data.

The diagram illustrates the winery production process. It is organized into three columns: Inflows (Receiving), Processing Steps, and Outflows (Shipping).
Inflows (Receiving): Grapes and Bulk Wine (labeled B).
Processing Steps: Grapes go to Crush, which produces Juice. Juice goes to Fermentation (labeled A). From Fermentation, Bulk Wine (labeled C) is produced. Bulk Wine (labeled B) also enters the Aging & Finishing stage. From Aging & Finishing, Bulk Wine (labeled C) is produced. Both Bulk Wine (labeled B) and Bulk Wine (labeled C) enter the Bottling stage (labeled D).
Outflows (Shipping): Juice and Bulk Wine (labeled C) are shipped out. Bottled Wine is the final product from the Bottling stage.

Figure 1. Winery Production Process

¹ The complexity of these statements can be attributed to the authors’ desire to avoid “double counting” bulk wine that is both received and bottled at a winery, and the fact that multiple vintages are present within a winery at any given time.

WINERY OPERATIONS

Please indicate whether the activity or uses below are **NEWLY PROPOSED** as part of this application, or whether they are not proposed (**NONE**).

Retail Wine Sales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Newly Proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>	None
Tours and Tasting- By Appointment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Newly Proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>	None
Wine Sales/Consumption – AB 2004	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Newly Proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>	None
Food at Tours & Tastings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Newly Proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>	None
Will food be prepared	On Site? <input type="checkbox"/>	Catered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Food type to be served: Prepackage food to be prepared off site and kept in refrigerator before serving.

Production Capacity *

Ferments on-site at least 201 gallons of wine annually and has a production capacity of no more than 5,000 gallons of wine (NCC Section 18.337(A)).

Please identify the winery's

Proposed production capacity: 5,000 gallons

Proposed fermentation to be conducted on site: 100%

Proposed fermentation utilizing a custom crush facility: 0%

(Please describe fully your wine production process in the project description)

* For this section, please see "Winery Production Process".

Visitation, Hours of Operations and Employees

No more than twenty Average Daily Trips (ADT) (ten daily round trips) are generated by tasting room visitors, all winery employees including seasonal employees, and deliveries to and/or from the winery (NCC Section 18.08.337(D)). Tours and tastings, as defined in Section 18.08.620, and retail sales as defined in NCC Sections 18.16.030(G)(5)(C) for wineries in the Agricultural Preserve and 18.20.030.(H)(5)(C) for the Agricultural Watershed, may be conducted on-site but are limited to between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (NCC Section 18.08.337(F)). Please fill out the Trip Generation Sheet provided with these materials.

Please identify the winery's...

Maximum daily tours/tastings visitation: 18 proposed

Maximum weekly tours/tastings visitation: 126 proposed

Visitation hours (e.g. M-Su, 10am-4pm): M-Sun, 10am-5pm proposed

Production days and hours¹: M-Sun, 24 hours proposed

¹ It is assumed that wineries will operate up to 24 hours per day during crush if it occurs on-site.

Total Number of Winery Employees (including winery ownership): 2 proposed

Total Number of Winery Employees (residing on the property): 0 proposed

Total Number of Winery Employees (not residing on the property): 2 proposed

Grape Origin

All new wineries shall must comply with the 75% rule pursuant to NCC Section 18.104.250 (B) & (C). The Micro-Winery shall have at least 75 percent of the grapes used in fermentation on-site are grown on the same property as the micro-winery or contiguous parcels under the same ownership. For the purpose of this section, "the same property as the micro-winery" means any parcel or parcels identified as included within the Use Permit application. See NCC Section 18.08.377(B).

The project description should include information regarding the following:

- On-site vineyard acreage and quantity of grapes;
- The Assessors Parcel Number (APN) of contiguous parcels under the same ownership (if proposed for production) and the vineyard acreage and quantity of grapes;
- Additional vineyard sources; and
- Information on anticipated custom crush activities, including quantity of "production" occurring off-site.

On-Site Consumption

If requesting On-Site Consumption, please provide a site plan showing where such activities will occur and include the proposed area(s) in your project description.

Winery Coverage and Accessory/Production Ratio

Has a maximum of 5,000 square feet of total enclosed space including storage, processing facilities, tasting areas, and caves (See NCC Section 18.08.377(C)).

Total square feet of Enclosed Winery Facility: 4,998 (conditioned) sq. ft.
 Total square feet of Outdoor Hospitality Space: 683 sq. ft. (Please show area on site plan to evaluate ADA accessibility)

Winery Development Area. Consistent with the definition at "a.," and with the marked-up site plans included in your submittal, please indicate your proposed winery development area. If the facility already exists, please differentiate between existing and proposed.

Proposed 2251 sq. ft. 0.04 acres

Winery Coverage. Consistent with the definition at "b.," and with the marked-up site plans included in your submittal, please indicate your proposed winery coverage (maximum 25% of parcel or 15 acres, whichever is less).

62,032 sq. ft. 1.42 acres 2% % of parcel

Production Facility. Consistent with the definition at "c.," and the marked-up floor plans included in your submittal, please indicate your proposed production square footage. If the facility already exists, please differentiate between existing and proposed.

Proposed 5,584 sq. ft.

Accessory Use. Consistent with the definition at "d.," and the marked-up floor plans included in your submittal, please indicate your proposed accessory square footage. If the facility already exists, please differentiate between existing and proposed. (maximum = 40% of the production facility)

Proposed 1,883 sq. ft. 34 % of production facility

Caves and Crush pads and Other Outdoor Work Areas

If new caves are proposed, please indicate which of the following best describes the public accessibility of the proposed cave space: Please denote on cave floor plans the location of proposed cave type/activities and identify location of on-site cave spoils on a site plan. Please identify all proposed outdoor work areas including the winery's proposed covered crush pad area on a site plan.

New Cave:

None – no visitors/tours/events (Class I)

Guided Tours Only (Class II)

Public Access (Class III)

Please identify the winery's...

Cave area (total)	Proposed:	6,160	sq.ft.
Cave area (Production)	Proposed:	4,702	sq.ft.
Cave area (Accessory)	Proposed:	1,200	sq.ft.
Covered crush pad area	Proposed:	624	sq.ft.
Other Outdoor Work Areas	Proposed:	0	sq.ft.

Cave Spoils total: Proposed: 3,700 cy.

Cave Spoils Use*: Onsite Offsite

*Indicate location of spoils on-site on-site plan.

Initial Statement of Grape Source for a Micro-Winery

Pursuant to Napa County Zoning Ordinance Sections 18.08.377(B), I hereby certify that the current application for establishment of a Micro winery pursuant to the Napa County Micro Winery Use Permit Ordinance #2022-1474 will employ sources of grapes in accordance with the requirements of Section 18.08.377(B) of that Ordinance.

DocuSigned by:
Rene Schlatter
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8/16/2024

Owner's Signature

Date

Letters of commitment from the remaining grape suppliers and supporting documents may be required prior to issuance of any building permits for the project. Recertification of compliance will be required on a periodic basis. Recertification after initiation of the requested wine production may require the submittal of additional information regarding individual grape sources. Proprietary information will not be disclosed to the public.



WINERY TRIP GENERATION WORKSHEET

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Napa, CA 94559-3082

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Clear Form

Winery Name: Schlatter Family Estate Date Prepared: _____

Existing/Permitted Winery		Harvest	Non-Harvest
Number of Full Time Employees*	Weekday	0	0
	Weekend	0	0
Number of Part Time Employees*	Weekday	0	0
	Weekend	0	0
Maximum Daily Visitation	Weekday	0	0
	Weekend	0	0
Annual Gallons of Production			
Annual Tons of Grape Haul		0.0	N/A
Number of Visitors at the Largest Event that occurs two or more times per month, on average	Weekday	0	0
	Weekend	0	0

Proposed Winery		Harvest	Non-Harvest
Number of Full Time Employees*	Weekday	2	2
	Weekend	2	2
Number of Part Time Employees*	Weekday		
	Weekend		
Maximum Daily Visitation	Weekday	18	18
	Weekend	18	18
Annual Gallons of Production		5,000	5,000
Annual Tons of Grape Haul <small>NO GRAPE HAUL, ALL FRUIT TO BE SOURCED ON SITE</small>		31.3	N/A
Number of Visitors at the Largest Event that occurs two or more times per month, on average	Weekday	0	0
	Weekend	0	0

*Number of full time and part time employees should represent the max number of employees that will be working on any given day (including all vendors and contractors employed for the largest event that occurs two or more times per month on average).

Schlatter Family Estate

TRIP GENERATION

Existing Winery				Harvest	Non-Harvest
<i>Maximum Daily Weekday Traffic (Friday)</i>					
	<i>Harvest</i>	<i>Non-Harvest</i>			
FT Employees	0	0	3.05 one way trips/employee	FT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
PT Employees	0	0	1.9 one way trips/employee	PT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
Max Visitors	0	0	2.6 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Visitor Daily Trips	0.0
Max Event	0	0	2.6 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Event Daily Trips	0.0
Gallons of Production			0.000018 truck trips	Production Daily Trips	0.0
Tons of Grape Haul#	0.0		0.013889 truck trips	Grape Haul Daily Trips	0.0
				Total Weekday Daily Trips	0
				Total Weekday Peak Hour Trips*	0
<i>Maximum Daily Weekend Traffic (Saturday)</i>					
	<i>Harvest</i>	<i>Non-Harvest</i>			
FT Employees	0	0	3.05 one way trips/employee	FT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
PT Employees	0	0	1.9 one way trips/employee	PT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
Max Visitors	0	0	2.8 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Visitor Daily Trips	0.0
Max Event	0	0	2.8 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Event Daily Trips	0.0
Gallons of Production			0.000018 truck trips	Production Daily Trips	0.0
Tons of Grape Haul#	0.0		0.013889 truck trips	Grape Haul Daily Trips	0.0
				Total Weekend Daily Trips	0
				Total Weekend Peak Hour Trips*	0
<i>Maximum Annual Traffic</i>					
				Total Annual Trips**	0

Proposed Winery				Harvest	Non-Harvest
<i>Maximum Daily Weekday Traffic (Friday)</i>					
	<i>Harvest</i>	<i>Non-Harvest</i>			
FT Employees	2	2	3.05 one way trips/employee	FT Employee Daily Trips	6.1
PT Employees	1	1	1.9 one way trips/employee	PT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
Max Visitors	18	18	2.6 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Visitor Daily Trips	13.8
Max Event	0	0	2.6 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Event Daily Trips	0.0
Gallons of Production	5,000		0.000018 truck trips	Production Daily Trips	0.1
Tons of Grape Haul#	31.3		0.013889 truck trips	Grape Haul Daily Trips	0.4
NO GRAPE HAUL, ALL FRUIT TO BE SOURCED ON SITE				Total Weekday Daily Trips	21 20
				Total Weekday Peak Hour Trips*	8
<i>Maximum Daily Weekend Traffic (Saturday)</i>					
	<i>Harvest</i>	<i>Non-Harvest</i>			
FT Employees	2	2	3.05 one way trips/employee	FT Employee Daily Trips	6.1
PT Employees	1	1	1.9 one way trips/employee	PT Employee Daily Trips	0.0
Max Visitors	18	18	2.8 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Visitor Daily Trips	12.9
Max Event	0	0	2.8 visitors/vehicle for 2 one way trips	Max Event Daily Trips	0.0
Gallons of Production	5,000		0.000018 truck trips	Production Daily Trips	0.1
Tons of Grape Haul#	31.3		0.013889 truck trips	Grape Haul Daily Trips	0.4
NO GRAPE HAUL, ALL FRUIT TO BE SOURCED ON SITE				Total Weekend Daily Trips	20
				Total Weekend Peak Hour Trips*	10
<i>Maximum Annual Traffic</i>					
				Total Annual Trips**	7,561

Net New Trips		Harvest	Non-Harvest
<i>Maximum Weekday Traffic (Friday)</i>			
If total net new daily trips is greater than 110, a TIS is required		Net New Weekday Daily Trips	21
		Net New Weekday Peak Hour Trips*	8
<i>Maximum Weekend Traffic (Saturday)</i>			
If total net new daily trips is greater than 110, a TIS is required		Net New Weekend Daily Trips	20
		Net New Weekend Peak Hour Trips*	10
<i>Maximum Annual Traffic</i>			
A Traffic Impact Study is NOT Required		Net New Annual Trips**	7,561

#Trips associated with Grape Haul represent harvest season only.

*Weekday peak hour trips are calculated as 38% of daily trips associated with visitors and production plus one trip per employee. Weekend peak hour trips are calculated as 57% of daily trips associated with visitors and production plus one trip per employee.

**Annual trips represent a conservative calculation that assumes 11 weeks of harvest, all weekdays are Fridays, all weekends are Saturdays, and assumes that the largest event that occurs two or more times on average occurs every day.



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Project name & APN: Schlatter Family Estate
 Project number if known: 025-180-082, 025-180-083
 Contact person: Jarrold Denton p#:707 260 5542
 Contact email & phone number: jarrod@signumarchitecture.com
 Today's date: _____

Voluntary Best Management Practices Checklist for Development Projects

Napa County General Plan Policy CON-65 (e) and Policy CON-67 (d) requires the consideration of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions in the review of discretionary projects and to promote and encourage "green building" design. The below Best Management Practices (BMPs) reduce GHG emissions through energy and water conservation, waste reduction, efficient transportation, and land conservation. The voluntary checklist included here should be consulted early in the project and be considered for inclusion in new development. It is not intended, and likely not possible for all projects to adhere to all of the BMPs. Rather, these BMPs provide a portfolio of options from which a project could choose, taking into consideration cost, co-benefits, schedule, and project specific requirements. Please check the box for all BMPs that your project proposes to include and include a separate narrative if your project has special circumstances.

Practices with Measurable GHG Reduction Potential

The following measures reduce GHG emissions and if needed can be calculated. They are placed in descending order based on the amount of emission reduction potential.

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ID # BMP Name

BMP-1 Generation of on-site renewable energy

If a project team designs with alternative energy in mind at the conceptual stage it can be integrated into the design. For instance, the roof can be oriented, sized, and engineered to accommodate photovoltaic (PV) panels. If you intend to do this BMP, please indicate the location of the proposed PV panels on the building elevations or the location of the ground mounted PV array on the site plan. Please indicate the total annual energy demand and the total annual kilowatt hours produced or purchased and the potential percentage reduction of electrical consumption. Please contact staff or refer to the handout to calculate how much electrical energy your project may need.

BMP-2 Preservation of developable open space in a conservation easement

Please indicate the amount and location of developable land (i.e.: under 30% slope and not in creek setbacks or environmentally sensitive areas for vineyards) conserved in a permanent easement to prohibit future development.

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BMP-3 Habitat restoration or new vegetation (e.g. planting of additional trees over 1/2 acre)
Napa County is famous for its land stewardship and preservation. Restoring areas within the creek setback reduces erosion potential while planting areas that are currently hardscape (such as doing a bio-retention swale rather than underground storm drains) reduces storm water and helps the groundwater recharge. Planting trees can also increase the annual uptake of CO₂e and add the County's carbon stock.

BMP-4 Alternative fuel and electrical vehicles in fleet
The magnitude of GHG reductions achieved through implementation of this measure varies depending on the analysis year, equipment, and fuel type replaced.

Number of total vehicles _____
 Typical annual fuel consumption or VMT _____
 Number of alternative fuel vehicles _____
 Type of fuel/vehicle(s) _____
 Potential annual fuel or VMT savings _____

BMP-5 Exceed Title 24 energy efficiency standards: Build to CALGREEN Tier 2
The California Building Code update effective January 1, 2011 has new mandatory green building measures for all new construction and has been labeled CALGREEN. CALGREEN provides two voluntary higher levels labeled CALGREEN Tier I and CALGREEN Tier II. Each tier adds a further set of green building measures that go above and beyond the mandatory measures of the Code. In both tiers, buildings will use less energy than the current Title 24 California Energy Code. Tier I buildings achieve at least a 15% improvement and Tier 2 buildings are to achieve a 30% improvement. Both tiers require additional non-energy prerequisites, as well as a certain number of elective measures in each green building category (energy efficiency, water efficiency, resource conservation, indoor air quality and community).

BMP-6 Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction plan
Selecting this BMP states that the business operations intend to implement a VMT reduction plan reducing annual VMTs by at least 15%.

Tick box(es) for what your Transportation Demand Management Plan will/does include:

- employee incentives
- employee carpool or vanpool
- priority parking for efficient transporation (hybrid vehicles, carpools, etc.)
- bike riding incentives
- bus transportation for large marketing events
- Other:

Estimated annual VMT _____

Potential annual VMT saved _____
 % Change _____

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BMP-7 Exceed Title 24 energy efficiency standards: Build to CALGREEN Tier 1

See description below under BMP-5.

BMP-8 Solar hot water heating

Solar water heating systems include storage tanks and solar collectors. There are two types of solar water heating systems: active, which have circulating pumps and controls, and passive, which don't. Both of them would still require additional heating to bring them to the temperature necessary for domestic purposes. They are commonly used to heat swimming pools.

BMP-9 Energy conserving lighting

Lighting is approximately 25% of typical electrical consumption. This BMP recommends installing or replacing existing light bulbs with energy-efficient compact fluorescent (CF) bulbs or Light Emitting Diode (LED) for your most-used lights. Although they cost more initially, they save money in the long run by using only 1/4 the energy of an ordinary incandescent bulb and lasting 8-12 times longer. Typical payback from the initial purchase is about 18 months.

BMP-10 Energy Star Roof/Living Roof/Cool Roof

Most roofs are dark-colored. In the heat of the full sun, the surface of a black roof can reach temperatures of 158 to 194 °F. Cool roofs, on the other hand, offer both immediate and long-term benefits including reduced building heat-gain and savings of up to 15% the annual air-conditioning energy use of a single-story building. A cool roof and a green roof are different in that the green roof provides living material to act as a both heat sink and thermal mass on the roof which provides both winter warming and summer cooling. A green (living) roof also reduces storm water runoff.

Cave design is passive design in regard to roof assembly

BMP-11 Bicycle Incentives

Napa County Zoning Ordinance requires 1 bicycle rack per 20 parking spaces (§18.110.040). Incentives that go beyond this requirement can include on-site lockers for employees, showers, and for visitor's items such as directional signs and information on biking in Napa. Be creative!

BMP-12 Bicycle route improvements

Refer to the Napa County Bicycle Plan (NCPTA, December 2011) and note on the site plan the nearest bike routes. Please note proximity, access, and connection to existing and proposed bike lanes (Class I: Completely separated right-of-way; Class II: Striped bike lane; Class III: Signed Bike Routes). Indicate bike accessibility to project and any proposed improvements as part of the project on the site plan or describe below.

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BMP-13 Connection to recycled water

Recycled water has been further treated and disinfected to provide a non-potable (non-drinking water) water supply. Using recycled water for irrigation in place of potable or groundwater helps conserve water resources.

Treated process wastewater from the winery will be recycled and reused for vineyard irrigation.

BMP-14 Install Water Efficient fixtures

WaterSense, a partnership program by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency administers the review of products and services that have earned the WaterSense label. Products have been certified to be at least 20 percent more efficient without sacrificing performance. By checking this box you intend to install water efficient fixtures or fixtures that conserve water by 20%.

water efficient fixtures shall be specified

BMP-15 Low-impact development (LID)

LID is an approach to land development (or re-development) that works with nature to manage storm water as close to its source as possible. LID employs principles such as preserving and recreating natural landscape features, minimizing effective imperviousness to create functional and appealing site drainage that treat storm water as a resource rather than a waste product. There are many practices that have been used to adhere to these principles such as bioretention facilities, rain gardens, vegetated rooftops, rain barrels, and permeable pavements. By implementing LID principles and practices, water can be managed in a way that reduces the impact of built areas and promotes the natural movement of water within an ecosystem or watershed. Please indicate on the site or landscape plan how your project is designed in this way.

This project employs LID Principles and practices to preservation of existing vegetation & drainage features and directing stormwater from impervious areas to adjacent pervious non-erodible surfaces.

BMP-16 Water efficient landscape

If your project is a residential development proposing in excess of 5,000 sq. ft. or a commercial development proposing in excess of 2,500 sq. ft. The project will be required to comply with the Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (WELO).

Please check the box if you will be complying with WELO or if your project is smaller than the minimum requirement and you are still proposing drought tolerant, zeroscape, native plantings, zoned irrigation or other water efficient landscape.

landscape features shall comply with WELO

BMP-17 Recycle 75% of all waste

Did you know that the County of Napa will provide recycling collectors for the interior of your business at no additional charge? With single stream recycling it is really easy and convenient to meet this goal. To qualify for this BMP, your business will have to be aggressive, proactive and purchase with this goal in mind.

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BMP-18 Compost 75% food and garden material

The Napa County food composting program is for any business large or small that generates food scraps and compostable, including restaurants, hotels, wineries, assisted living facilities, grocery stores, schools, manufacturers, cafeterias, coffee shops, etc. All food scraps (including meat & dairy) as well as soiled paper and other compostable - see <http://www.naparecycling.com/foodcomposting> for more details.

BMP-19 Implement a sustainable purchasing and shipping programs

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) or Sustainable Purchasing refers to the procurement of products and services that have a reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. By selecting this BMP, you agree to have an EPP on file for your employees to abide by.

BMP-20 Planting of shade trees within 40 feet of the south side of the building elevation

Well-placed trees can help keep your building cool in summer. If you choose a deciduous tree after the leaves drop in autumn, sunlight will warm your building through south and west-facing windows during the colder months. Well-designed landscaping can reduce cooling costs by 20%. Trees deliver more than energy and cost savings; they are important carbon sinks. Select varieties that require minimal care and water, and can withstand local weather extremes. Fruit or nut trees that produce in your area are great choices, providing you with local food as well as shade. Please use the site or landscape plan to indicate where trees are proposed and which species you are using.

n/a

BMP-21 Electrical Vehicle Charging Station(s)

As plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (EV) and battery electric vehicle ownership is expanding, there is a growing need for widely distributed accessible charging stations. Please indicate on the site plan where the station will be.

BMP-22 Public Transit Accessibility

Refer to <http://www.ridethevine.com/vine> and indicate on the site plan the closest bus stop/route. Please indicate if the site is accessed by transit or by a local shuttle. Provide an explanation of any incentives for visitors and employees to use public transit. Incentives can include bus passes, informational hand outs, construction of a bus shelter, transportation from bus stop, etc.

n/a

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BMP-23

Site Design that is oriented and designed to optimize conditions for natural heating, cooling, and day lighting of interior spaces, and to maximize winter sun exposure; such as a cave.

The amount of energy a cave saves is dependent on the type of soil, the microclimate, and the user's request for temperature control. Inherently a cave or a building buried into the ground saves energy because the ground is a consistent temperature and it reduces the amount of heating and cooling required. On the same concept, a building that is oriented to have southern exposure for winter warmth and shading for summer cooling with an east-west cross breeze will naturally heat, cool, and ventilate the structure without using energy. Please check this box if your design includes a cave or exceptional site design that takes into consideration the natural topography and sitting. Be prepared to explain your approach and estimated energy savings.

BMP-24 Limit the amount of grading and tree removal

Limiting the amount of earth disturbance reduces the amount of CO2 released from the soil and mechanical equipment. This BMP is for a project design that either proposes a project within an already disturbed area proposing development that follows the natural contours of the land, and that doesn't require substantial grading or tree removal.

Any existing pervious areas and trees/vegetation are to remain to the maximum extent practicable.

BMP-25 Will this project be designed and built so that it could qualify for LEED?

BMP-25 (a)	<input type="checkbox"/>	LEED™ Silver (check box BMP-25 and this one)
BMP-25 (b)	<input type="checkbox"/>	LEED™ Gold (check box BMP-25, BMP-25 (a), and this box)
BMP-25 (c)	<input type="checkbox"/>	LEED™ Platinum (check all 4 boxes)

Practices with Un-Measured GHG Reduction Potential

BMP-26 Are you, or do you intend to become a Certified Green Business or certified as a "Napa Green Winery"?

As part of the Bay Area Green Business Program, the Napa County Green Business Program is a free, voluntary program that allows businesses to demonstrate the care for the environment by going above and beyond business as usual and implementing environmentally friendly business practices. For more information check out the Napa County Green Business and Winery Program at www.countyofnapa.org.

BMP-27 Are you, or do you intend to become a Certified "Napa Green Land"?

Napa Green Land, fish friendly farming, is a voluntary, comprehensive, "best practices" program for vineyards. Napa Valley vintners and growers develop farm-specific plans tailored to protect and enhance the ecological quality of the region, or create production facility programs that reduce energy and water use, waste and pollution. By selecting this measure either you are certified or you are in the process of certification.

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BMP-28 Use of recycled materials

There are a lot of materials in the market that are made from recycled content. By ticking this box, you are committing to use post-consumer products in your construction and your ongoing operations.

BMP-29 Local food production

There are many intrinsic benefits of locally grown food, for instance reducing the transportation emissions, employing full time farm workers, and improving local access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

BMP-30 Education to staff and visitors on sustainable practices

This BMP can be performed in many ways. One way is to simply put up signs reminding employees to do simple things such as keeping the thermostat at a consistent temperature or turning the lights off after you leave a room. If the project proposes alternative energy or sustainable winegrowing, this BMP could include explaining those business practices to staff and visitors.

BMP-31 Use 70-80% cover crop

Cover crops reduce erosion and the amount of tilling which is required, which releases carbon into the environment.

BMP-32 Retain biomass removed via pruning and thinning by chipping the material and reusing it rather than burning on-site

By selecting this BMP, you agree not to burn the material pruned on site.

BMP-33 Are you participating in any of the above BMPS at a 'Parent' or outside location?

BMP-34 Are you doing anything that deserves acknowledgement that isn't listed above?

Comments and Suggestions on this form?

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Adjoining Property Owner List Requirements

All applications shall include a list of the current owners of all the properties whose outer perimeters are within 1,000 feet of the property boundary of the project site. The list shall include the property owner's names, their addresses, and the assessor's parcel numbers of the property owned. The list may be expanded to include other affected property owners at the discretion of the Planning Director as well as individuals having a request for notice on file with the Commission Clerk.

Preparation, verification and submission of this list of property owners is the responsibility of the applicant. Lists of the property owners appearing on County tax rolls in the form required are available from all local title insurance companies. Each such list must be certified by a title insurance company as reflecting the most recent County tax roll information. While the mailing list is not necessarily required at initial project submittal, the project cannot be noticed for hearing without it.

Instructions to the Title Company

Please prepare the property owners' list as follows:

1. Type the property owners' names, parcel numbers and mailing addresses on an 8½" by 11" sheet of Avery #5160 Laser Labels so that this information can be readily used in mailing by the Planning, Building & Environmental Services Department.
2. Submit a full page copy of the assessors' parcel book page(s) and a copy of the latest equalized assessment roll used to compile the property owners' list. Please indicate the location of all parcels listed, by check mark or colored parcel number circled on the pages.

If you have any questions, please contact the Planning, Building & Environmental Services Department at (707) 253-4417.

Planning Department, County of Napa
August 09th, 2024

**Re: Micro-Winery Use Permit Application
APN 025-180-082 & 025-180-083 / Schlatter Family Estate Micro-Winery Use
Permit**

To whom it may concern,

Please find enclosed an application for a micro-Winery use permit for Schlatter Family Estate /
1111 Conn Valley Road / APN 025-180-082 & 025-180-083. Materials include:

- Sub 1 – Driveway Exception ltr
- Sub 1 – Land Use Notification 8.5x11
- Sub 1 – Land Use Notification 11x17
- Sub 1 – Plan Set
- Sub 1 – Project Description
- Sub 1 – Signed Application
- Sub 1 – Stormwater Control Plan
- Sub 1 – Wastewater Feasibility
- Sub 1 – Water Availability

Thank you,
Paola Gutierrez Tumbarello
Signum Architecture

Micro-Winery Use Permit Application
Schlatter Family Estate
 Project Description
 1111 Conn Valley Road, St. Helena, CA

August 09th , 2024

Applicant:

Schlatter Family Estate
 Attn: Rene Schlatter
 1111 Conn Valley Road
 St. Helena, CA, 94558

Applicant's Representative:

Signum Architecture
 Attn: Jarrod Denton
 1675 2nd Street
 Napa, CA 94558
 707.963.8831

APN: 025-180-082 & 025-180-083

Acreage: 68.03

General Plan & Zoning Designation: Agriculture, Watershed & Open Space (AWOS)
 Agricultural Watershed (AW)

General Project Description

The purpose of this Application is to propose a Micro-Winery Use Permit for Schlatter Family estate.

This Application proposes to:

- Construct new cave with two portal entries that will house production and hospitality. This cave will have fire sprinklers and will be considered Type V-B construction. Occupancies in the new cave will be A2, S, B, U, and F. Cave shall be type 3.
- Construct new ADA compliant exterior path connecting the two portals.
- Improvements to existing driveway from Conn Valley Road to project site.

Requested Modifications & Clarifications

Schlatter Family Estate requests the following:

1. Construct new cave
 - The program includes exterior covered crush pad, office lab, staff room, 2 ADA restrooms, fermentation, barrel chai, pump room, water storage, wine library, and exterior hospitality terrace.
 - New cave to be equipped with fire sprinklers throughout the cave to meet Type V-B construction requirements, and type 3 classification.
 - Cave spoils are estimated to be 3,700 cubic yards.
2. Add an ADA walkway connecting the two entry portals
 - The walkway will be less than 5% slope and 48" wide.

3. Improve/Widen Roads
 - Improve existing access road to new cave portal to accommodate firetruck turnaround.
 - Provide visitor and employee parking including ADA compliant parking.
 - Request an Exception to the Napa County Road and Street Standards for the section of driveway constrained by ephemeral stream and steep slopes

4. Daily Tours & Tastings / Marketing / Employees
 - Existing/Permitted winery employees and visitor are 0.
 - The proposed winery employees are now 2 with a maximum daily tours/tastings visitation of 18. This is true for harvest and non-harvest, weekday and weekend activities.
 - Visitation hours will be from Monday to Sunday, 10am-5pm. Visitation hours will be Monday – Sunday Maximum 24 hours during the harvest season.

5. Wine Production
 - The proposed production capacity is 5,000 gallons with all fermentation to be conducted on site. No fermentation will occur utilizing a custom crush facility.
 - All wine produced shall be from estate fruit grown on property. Fermentation, barrel aging, and bottling shall all occur on site within the cave and at the covered crush pad.

Wastewater Treatment & Disposal

1. Winery Process Wastewater System
 - A new Winery process wastewater treatment system is proposed.
 - Winery Process Wastewater will be treated and reused for vineyard irrigation.
 - System will comply with Napa County and State Water Quality Control Board requirements.

2. Domestic Wastewater System
 - A new Domestic Wastewater System is proposed.
 - Domestic wastewater will be treated and dispersed by subsurface drip system.

Water Availability Analysis

Tier 1 analysis shows that there will be a very small increase in water usage and total water usage is well within the groundwater recharge rate.

The project well is more than 500 feet from the nearest neighboring well so a Tier 2 analysis is not required.

The project well is more than 1,500 feet from the nearest significant stream and therefore a Tier III analysis is not required.

Fire Protection

A new firewater storage cistern is proposed in a new tunnel extension of the proposed cave. The cistern will supply water to fire sprinklers and hydrants on property. The cistern is sized to hold approximately 5,000 gallons; the size will be confirmed by a fire sprinkler consultant during the building permit process.

Traffic

According to the TRIP GENERATION worksheet on page 21 of the Micro-Winery Permit Application, with our proposed number of visitors and employees a traffic impact study is not required.

Viewshed Protection

The proposed alterations are not visible from designated public roads per Napa County Code §18.106. Cave structure will be underground with one portal opening facing Zinfandel Lane. Earthtone materials will be used to blend into the landscape visually.

The proposed cave portal is sited on a portion of hillside that is over fifteen percent (15%). Therefore, this Application requests an exception to the Viewshed Protection Program.

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Planning, Building, & Environmental Services
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Napa, CA 94559

RE: Schlatter Family Estate LLC – Winery Use Permit
Exception Request to Road and Street Standards for Existing Lower Driveway
APN: 025-180-082 & 025-180-083

Dear Mr. Bordona:

The proposed Schlatter Family Estate Winery will be accessed via an existing driveway that extends from Conn Valley Road. The existing driveway is currently serving as access to vineyards on APN 025-180-82 & -083, both owned by the Schlatter Family Estate, as shown on sheet UP1.0 of the Micro Winery Civil Use Permit Plans.

Exception 1 – Driveway Entrance Width and Curvature Sta. 1+00± to Sta. 1+73±

Driveway Width

A standard Detail P-2 Common Driveway Connection to a Rural Road of the Napa County Road and Street Standards, requires 20-foot radius connection on both sides of the proposed 20-foot minimum wide driveway with 2 feet of shoulders totaling to 22 feet. The existing driveway connection provides for a 22-foot minimum clear driving distance for the first 53 feet, before it is constrained on either side by stone walls to a 21-foot clear a length of 12± feet. This portion of the driveway entrance falls either in the blue line stream setback from Conn Creek or within the ephemeral creek setback. The driveway and gate are proposed to be widened immediately outside the creek setback to the required 22’ clear width.

Driveway Curvature

The driveway connection provides for a 77.5-foot radius on the southern side while the northern side has an inside radius less than 20-feet. Due to the steep natural terrain, Conn Creek, and ephemeral stream setbacks the northern curvature is unable to be improved to meet the full requirements of the Napa County Road and Street Standards.

Exception Request

We are requesting an exception to the Road and Street Standards for the existing width of driveway and the northern inside connection curvature from station 1+00 to 1+73.

Section 3(d) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards allows for an exception to the Standards to be made if one or more of the following findings can be made:

- i. The exception will preserve unique features of the natural environment;

- ii. The exception is necessary to accommodate physical site limitations; or
- iii. The exception is necessary to accommodate other limiting factors such as recorded historical sites or legal constraints.

In this case an exception is required to preserve the riparian corridor of the nearby Conn Creek (Blue-line stream) and an ephemeral stream, areas within the creek setbacks as established by the Napa County Conservation Regulations, as allowed under Section 3(d)(i) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards.

Section 3(e) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards, allows for exception requests meeting the required findings above to be granted, if the exception request and proposed mitigation measures provide the same overall practical effect as these Standards towards providing defensible space, and consideration towards life, safety, and public welfare. The Same Practical Effect is defined in Section 4 as providing:

- a) Access for emergency wildland fire equipment;
- b) Safe civilian evacuation;
- c) Signing that avoids delays in emergency equipment response;
- d) Available and accessible water to effectively attack wildfire or defend a structure from wildfire; and
- e) Fuel modification sufficient for civilian and firefighter safety.

Our proposed alternative will be to widen the driveway just beyond the gate by 7' or to the maximum extent possible within constraints. A wide angled mirror will also be installed on the existing stone wall to improve visibility at the driveway connection to Conn Valley Road. The entire lower driveway has been modeled to confirm that a Cal Fire Type 1 Engine can easily navigate the driveway entrance, see sheet UP3.0.

- a) Access for emergency wildland fire equipment;
 - i. The new driveway curve widening of 7' at Sta. 2+08.
 - ii. Modeling of fire truck movements has been completed and demonstrates that the Cal Fire Type 1 fire engines can safely access the winery site.
- b) Safe civilian evacuation;
 - i. The new driveway widening of 7' at Sta. 2+08 allows for adequate room for passing vehicles just after the gate.
 - ii. The wide-angle mirror will increase the visibility and thus the safety for vehicle movements in the driveway entrance.
 - iii. The property owner has already completed a large vegetation management project adjustments to the driveway which has significantly increased the site visibility in the lower driveway portion. The property owner is also prepared to engage in a maintenance agreement with Napa County for vegetation management.

- c) Signing that avoids delays in emergency equipment response;
 - i. To meet Section C, signage will be provided at the driveway entrance and at Sta. 12+10 to advise drivers to yield to emergency vehicles.
- d) Available and accessible water to effectively attack wildfire or defend a structure from wildfire; and
 - i. Dedicated fire water storage and fire pump will be provided at the winery cave.
- e) Fuel modification sufficient for civilian and firefighter safety.
 - i. The property owner has already completed a large vegetation management project within the ephemeral creek bank which significantly increased the site visibility in the lower driveway portion. The property owner is also prepared to engage in a maintenance agreement with Napa County for vegetation management.

Exception 2 – Driveway Slope, Width, and Curvature Sta. 2+48± to Sta. 12+08±

Driveway Slope and Width

The existing driveway to the proposed winery is constrained to a variable clear width of 9.9' to 12.8' with a 150'± stretch with a slope greater than 18% without the required preceding and ensuing lengths with slope of 10% or less. To mitigate the existing driveway constrained widths, the driveway will be widened to maximum extent feasible with the addition of 2 intervisible turnouts and a drivable swale on the uphill side.

Driveway Curvature

Additionally, there are two existing driveway curves near Sta. 2+40 & 10+70 that have an inside curvature less than 50'. To mitigate the existing curvature of the driveway, the first curve (Sta. 2+40±) will be widened to have an additional 7-feet of pavement and the second curve will have a pole mounted wide angled mirror to enhance visibility. The entire lower driveway entrance has been modeled to confirm that a Cal Fire Type 1 Engine can readily navigate the driveway entrance, see sheet UP3.0.

Exception Request

The existing driveway is unable to be improved to fully meet the requirements of the Road and Street Standards due to the ephemeral stream setback and the surround steep slopes. We are requesting an exception to the Road and Street Standards for the existing driveway slope, width, and curvature from station 2+48 to 12+08.

Section 3(d) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards allows for an exception to the Standards to be made if one or more of the following findings can be made:

- i. The exception will preserve unique features of the natural environment;
- ii. The exception is necessary to accommodate physical site limitations; or
- iii. The exception is necessary to accommodate other limiting factors such as recorded historical sites or legal constraints.

In this case an exception is required to preserve the riparian corridor of the ephemeral stream, areas within the creek setbacks as established by the Napa County conservation Regulations, as allowed under Section 3(d)(i) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards. Modifications to driveway width would require grading within the 35-foot ephemeral stream setback and grading on steep slopes.

Section 3(e) of the Napa County Road and Street Standards, allows for exception requests meeting the required findings above to be granted, if the exception request and proposed mitigation measures provide the same overall practical effect as these Standards towards providing defensible space, and consideration towards life, safety, and public welfare. The Same Practical Effect is defined in Section 4 as providing:

- a) Access for emergency wildland fire equipment;
- b) Safe civilian evacuation;
- c) Signing that avoids delays in emergency equipment response;
- d) Available and accessible water to effectively attack wildfire or defend a structure from wildfire; and
- e) Fuel modification sufficient for civilian and firefighter safety.

Our proposed alternative will be to widen the driveway to the maximum extent feasible with the addition of a drivable swale. Two intervisible turnouts are proposed at stations 3+13 & Sta 7+21 to aid in the egress of personal vehicles while allowing for the ingress of emergency vehicles. A wide angled mirror is proposed at station 10+20 for increased visibility around the existing driveway curvature. The entire lower driveway entrance has been modeled to confirm that a Cal Fire Type 1 Engine can readily navigate the driveway entrance, see sheets UP3.0 – UP3.2.

RSA+ attended two site visits with Napa County Planning, Engineering, and Fire Divisions on 1/24/24 & 6/3/24 to walk the driveway and discuss alternative mitigation strategies that can be provided in lieu of the full 22' common driveway width. It was agreed on site that there are mitigation strategies that provide an acceptable alternative that can be supported, and meet the Napa County Road and Street Standards criteria above:

- a) Access for emergency wildland fire equipment;
 - i. The new driveway curve widening of 7' at Sta. 2+08.
 - ii. Two new driveway turnouts at Sta 3+13 & Sta 7+21 will be intervisible.
 - iii. All existing turnout areas located at Sta. 8+50 and Sta. 9+90 will remain, providing safe, intervisible turnout locations for the lower portion of the driveway.
 - iv. A drivable swale will be constructed on the uphill side of the driveway to provide the maximum width practicable.
 - v. Modeling of fire truck movements has been completed and demonstrates that the Cal Fire Type 1 fire engines can safely access the winery site.
 - vi. The property owner has already completed a large vegetation management project adjustments to the driveway which has significantly increased the site visibility in the lower driveway portion. The property owner is also prepared to engage in a maintenance agreement with Napa County for vegetation management.

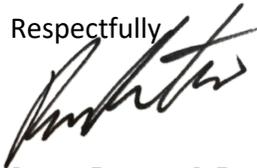
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These proposed mitigation measures noted above are intended to provide an alternate method with the same practicable affect by which adherence to the Road & Street Standards may be achieved, while assuring compliance with the County's and Property Owner's goal to protect and ensure the preservation of the unique features of the natural environment.

Remaining portions of the site driveway will undergo improvements as part of the project and will meet the requirements of the Napa County Road and Street Standards.

Thank you for your time in reviewing this matter. If you should have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully



Bruce Fenton, P.E.
Project Manager

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